

Legislation Text

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MADY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION - DEVELOPMENT OF MULCASTER/COLLIER STREETS SITE (FOODLAND SITE)

Charles Mady, Chief Executive Officer of the Mady Development Corporation provided a presentation to City Council concerning the Collier Centre Development, to be located at the corner of Collier Street and Mulcaster Street. He stated that he believes this development will be highly desirable and meets City Council's vision for Downtown Barrie. He introduced Mr. John Chow, Architect and Principal of the firm Turner Fleischer Architects Inc. Mr. Chow provided the design concepts noting that the intent of the development is to focus on the streetscape and creating an accessible atmosphere. He stated that he is currently working with Georgian College to develop a student mentorship program in conjunction with the development.

Mr. Greg Puklicz, Senior Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer provided information concerning the retail aspects of the development. He noted that 419 multi-level parking spaces will be made available. Mr. Puklicz commented that 74,540 square feet of retail space will be offered with Sobey's grocery store utilizing 38,000 square feet. Mr. Mark Vosylius Vice-President of Development explained the office tower component of the development stating that the tower will be Barrie's first "Class A" office tower. Ms. Eve Lewis, of Marketvision Real Estate Corporation commented she believes the condominiums within the development will be a tremendous success as the condos will be affordable and within walking distance to downtown amenities.

Mr. Mady concluded the presentation by stating that Collier Centre will be the first mixed use development in Barrie with a "Class A" office tower. He noted that he believes Collier Centre will provide a place people can live, work and play. Mr. Mady commented that he feels the development will have a positive economic impact for Barrie and provided a projected timeline for the project.

Members of City Council asked a number of questions concerning the presentation.