

Sustainable Community Design Guidelines: Sustainable Summary

Submission Terms of Reference

Submission Purpose:

- To provide City staff with a brief overview of an application's sustainability performance by indicating its Sustainability Score, identifying specific targets to be achieved, and indicating where, in associated component studies, targets can be verified. Examples of component studies include but not limited to Community Design Guidelines, Environmental Implementation Reports, Functional Servicing Report, and Traffic Impact Studies.

Submission Process

- A Sustainability Score and Sustainable Summary are required for all applications.
- **Before pre-consultation:** The developer is encouraged to complete the [Sustainability Assessment Tool](#) (SAT), and have their preliminary Sustainability Score ready for discussion. Together, the development planner and applicant will discuss areas to improve the application.
- **Formal Submission:** The applicant resubmits their revised Sustainability Score along with their component studies with completed Sustainability Summary.
- **Revisions:** Once the Sustainability Score and Summary have been received with associated component Studies, the City's Technical Team will verify the Score using direction from the Sustainability Summary. This verification of the Sustainability Score and revised performance threshold will be used to inform Council's decision to approve or deny the application.

Submission Requirements

- Submit ten (10) copies of the Sustainability Summary with your Formal Application

Sustainability Summary

1.0 Introduction

- The introduction of the Sustainable Summary should include a brief description of the proposed development.

2.0 Declaration of Sustainability

- This section will include a summary of the Application Sustainability Score achieved and how it relates to [Brampton's threshold scores](#).
- Examples of this may be:
 - The proposed Greenfield Site Plan development has achieved a Sustainability Score of 57 points, which achieves Brampton's Silver threshold performance.

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- The proposed Greenfield Site plan development has achieved a Sustainability Score of 23 points, 12 points below the City of Brampton’s Bronze threshold performance.

3.0 Sustainability Summary

3.1 Built Environment- Provide a brief description of how the application addresses mandatory, recommended minimum and aspirational Built Environment targets

i. Mandatory Requirements

Mandatory targets are **required** by City of Brampton policies and standards — these are items are expected to be delivered by all development applications, regardless of the SCDGs. Therefore, applicants are expected to meet **all** Mandatory targets. Under exceptional circumstances, where a mandatory target cannot be achieved, applicants are expected to provide a brief explanation in the Sustainability Summary of why the mandatory target could not be achieved and provide a reference where further explanation is provided, i.e. component studies.

Example: The application did not commit to satisfy the target “Are outdoor waiting areas (located on the site) providing protection from weather?” because the target was satisfied by a previous site plan submission. Please find proof of this in the associated site plan drawing, dated July 26, 2014.

The applicant is also required to explain within the Sustainability Summary why they have identified a mandatory target as “NA” (not applicable).

Example: The application was unable to satisfy the mandatory metric “*Have the following policies been adhered to? Cultural Heritage Conservation policies under provincial legislation (i.e. the Ontario Heritage Act, Planning Act and PPS, etc.), Standards and Guidelines for Historic Places, Municipal Official Plan, Municipal Heritage Inventory*” as there is no heritage properties on site, therefore this metric is not applicable.

ii.

Recommended Minimum

Recommended Minimum targets are considered doing better than you have to. Within this section the applicant is expected to identify all recommended minimum targets achieved by the development proposal. For each recommended minimum target achieved, identify where the target can be verified by identifying the component study and relevant section.

Example: The metric “*When healthy mature trees are removed, are new trees provided on site at a 3:1 ratio to mitigate the lost canopy coverage? (Does not include street trees)*” has been satisfied and can be verified by referring the associated Environmental Implementation Report, page 10, Section 3.0-Mitigation.

iii. Aspirational Targets

Aspirational Targets are considered to be best in class. Within this section the applicant is expected to identify all recommended aspirational targets achieved by the development proposal. For each recommended aspirational target achieved, identify where the target can be verified by identifying the component study and relevant section.

Example: The metric *“Have a minimum of 0.6 biking stalls per unit been provided? Additionally, has a minimum of 5% of the bike parking been provided at grade?”* has been satisfied and can be verified by looking at the associated Site Plan drawing dated July 28, 2015.

3.2 Mobility- Provide a brief description on how the application addresses mandatory, recommended minimum and aspirational Mobility targets.

- Complete this section using the same format as [3.1 Built Environment](#)

3.3 Natural Environment and Open Space-

- Complete this section using the same format as [3.1 Built Environment](#)

3.4 Infrastructure and Buildings-

- Complete this section using the same format as [3.1 Built Environment](#)

4.0 Conclusion

This section should be used to reiterate the application’s score and performance as it relates to the City of Brampton’s threshold scores.