



Notice of Special Meeting

Markham is updating its Official Plan in accordance with Section 26 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

You are invited to attend a special meeting of the Council of the City of Markham to learn more about the Official Plan Review and provide input on possible revisions to Markham's 2014 Official Plan. A special meeting will take place on:

Date: January 23, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: In-person in the Council Chambers at the Civic Centre (101 Town Centre Boulevard, Markham, ON L3PR 9W3), or remotely via Zoom. The Special Meeting will also be livestreamed on the City's website at: [Markham.ca/eScribeMeetings](https://www.markham.ca/eScribeMeetings).

PURPOSE OF THE SPECIAL MEETING

The purpose of the Special Meeting is to introduce the Official Plan Review Project to the public and receive feedback on issues and topics that should be considered as part of the process. The feedback obtained at the Special Meeting will inform future work and studies undertaken as part of the Official Plan update.

BACKGROUND

What is an Official Plan?

The City of Markham's [Official Plan](#) provides a long range vision for the growth and development of our community. It identifies how we intend to build complete and sustainable communities that meet the environmental, economic, and social needs of Markham.

Why are we reviewing the Official Plan?

Markham's Official Plan was last updated in 2014, the City is required by the *Planning Act* to ensure that the Official Plan conforms with provincial and regional plans and policies. Since 2014, many provincial and regional plans and policies have been introduced or have changed. The City will deliver the project through a series of Official Plan Amendments to City Council over a multi-year period for review and adoption. The City intends to update Markham's 2014 Official Plan to ensure sure it conforms to provincial and regional plans, and reflects the city's evolving needs and priorities.

JOIN THE CONVERSATION!

1. Watch the livestream at [Markham.ca/eScribeMeetings](https://www.markham.ca/eScribeMeetings).
2. Make a deputation in person or virtually by completing the Request to Speak form at: [markham.ca/RequestToSpeak](https://www.markham.ca/RequestToSpeak), or by emailing the Clerk's Department at ClerksPublic@markham.ca, or by calling 905-479-7760 prior to the meeting.



3. Submit written comments to the Clerk's Department at notifications@markham.ca. Comments received by 5:00 PM the day before the Special Meeting will be included in the revised meeting agenda. All submissions will be circulated to Planning Staff and Council.

Please note that all proceedings of the Special Meeting will be recorded.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Future Notification

If you wish to be notified about the decision of Markham Council or receive updates about the Official Plan Review, you must make a written request to the Clerk's Department by completing the form linked above or by email to notifications@markham.ca.

Collection of Personal Information

Personal information collected in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990, as amended, may be used to notify participants of future consultation events and updates relating to the Official Plan Review process. The names of participants providing comments and all comments may become part of the Official Plan Review public record.

Additional information about the Official Plan Review is available on the project webpage at: www.markham.ca/OPR. Questions about the Official Plan Review can be sent to Jessie Huang, Senior Planner and Duran Wedderburn, Manager of Policy at officialplanreview@markham.ca.

Date of Notice: November 29, 2024

Arvin Prasad, MCIP, RPP, Commissioner of Development Services

Kimberly Kitteringham, City Clerk & Director of Legislative Services