



**CITY OF VAUGHAN  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (2)  
AGENDA**

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**Tuesday, April 16, 2024**

**1:00 p.m.**

**Council Chamber**

**2nd Floor, Vaughan City Hall**

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**and Online via Electronic Participation**

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## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE:** ‘OUTCOME OF THE WAR OF 1812’ EXHIBIT LOAN  
AGREEMENT WITH THE MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT  
FIRST NATION

**FROM:**

Michael Coroneos, Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services, City Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

To seek Council’s direction for the City of Vaughan to obtain a loan of the ‘Outcome of the War of 1812’ Exhibit (the “Exhibit”) from the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (the “MCFN”) and showcase it in honour of National Indigenous History Month.

**Report Highlights**

- The City of Vaughan has proclaimed June 2024 National Indigenous History Month.
- The Exhibit tells the story of the MCFN who fought alongside the British in the war of 1812 and settled the Toronto Purchase Specific Claim in 2010, and their connection to Toronto’s land and waters.
- The City of Vaughan seeks to borrow and showcase the Exhibit from the MCFN as part of Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action 45iii & 57, which pertain to respect for treaty relationships and call for related professional development and training.
- Having the Exhibit prominently displayed in Vaughan will share a First Nations perspective on Canada’s history, provide an opportunity for residents of Vaughan to recognize and learn about traditions and history of one of the First Nations communities closest to Vaughan and promote understanding, reconciliation and respect for Indigenous cultures.

## **Recommendations**

1. That Staff be authorized to proceed with all necessary negotiations and arrangements in connection with the loan of the Exhibit to the City;
2. That the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services, City Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, or designate, be authorized to sign a loan agreement and any other required documentation with respect to the loan of the Exhibit to the City, in a form satisfactory to Legal Services, and to take any other actions necessary or ancillary to entering into the agreement; and
3. That the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services, City Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, or designate, be authorized to amend the loan agreement or any associated documentation, or to terminate the loan agreement as necessary, in consultation with Legal Services.

## **Background**

Vaughan is situated on the territory and Treaty 13 lands of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. These lands are also the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat and Haudenosaunee people. Vaughan is currently home to many First Nations, Métis and Inuit people today.

The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) have a reserve near Hagersville, Ontario, about 38 kilometres southwest of Hamilton. It has roughly 2,570 members, with nearly two-thirds living off reserve. The First Nation is part of the Ojibwe (Anishinaabe) Nation. The City of Vaughan continually strives to strengthen its relationship with MCFN.

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Call to Action 45iii is part of a broader set of recommendations aimed at addressing the legacies of residential schools and advancing the process of Canadian reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. Specifically, Call to Action 45iii calls upon Canadians to “Renew or establish Treaty relationships based on principles of mutual recognition, mutual respect, and shared responsibility for maintaining those relationships into the future.”

Call to Action 57 “call[s] upon federal, provincial, territorial, and municipal governments to provide education to public servants on the history of Aboriginal peoples, including the history and legacy of residential schools, the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*, Treaties and Aboriginal rights, Indigenous law, and Aboriginal–Crown relations. This will require skills-based training in intercultural competency, conflict resolution, human rights, and anti-racism.”

Both Calls to Action are part of a comprehensive effort by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission to address the injustices and lasting impacts of Canada's residential school system on Indigenous communities and to lay the groundwork for reconciliation and a better future. The City of Vaughan is committed to working in harmony with these calls to action.

### **Previous Reports/Authority**

n/a

### **Analysis and Options**

#### **The City of Vaughan has proclaimed the month of June as National Indigenous History Month for 2024**

The City of Vaughan has proclaimed June 2024 as National Indigenous History Month and National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21, 2024, to honour and recognize Indigenous peoples and history in Vaughan and across Canada. Indigenous History Month is an opportunity to recognize and learn about the traditions and histories of First Nations, Métis and Inuit people and to promote understanding, reconciliation and respect for Indigenous cultures.

During Indigenous History Month, the City proudly honours the rich heritage and vibrant cultures of Indigenous peoples in Canada and acknowledges their unique roles and stewardship of the sacred land we call home.

#### **The War of 1812 Exhibit**

The Exhibit teaches visitors about the long-term consequences of the War of 1812 for the First Nations through the experience of the MCFN.

The story tells of a people who have a historic and meaningful connection to the land and waters of the Toronto area. Their ancestors were allied with the British and fought in the war. Almost 200 years later, they concluded a fair and just settlement of the Toronto Purchase Specific Claim in 2010.

The display includes cases and tables which will display artifacts and historically important items. Posters and an education panel will tell the background story while explaining the importance of each item. Educational booklets and reading materials will accompany the Exhibit to describe the work.

**Borrowing the Exhibit will provide the City with the opportunity to honour the MCFN and to share the knowledge to be gained from it with residents of and visitors to Vaughan**

The City of Vaughan is delighted to have the opportunity to borrow the Exhibit and to showcase it during Indigenous Heritage Month. This Exhibit holds great historical significance, and we are eager to display it to honour the MCFN.

From May 28<sup>th</sup> to July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, the Exhibit will be displayed at the entrance of Vaughan City Hall (Alcove 2). Following this period, it will be displayed at Vaughan Public Library's Pierre Berton Resource Library from July 5<sup>th</sup> to Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.

Having the Exhibit showcased in this way will share a First Nations perspective on Canada's history with a particular focus on the era of the war of 1812 and its effects. It will provide an opportunity for residents of Vaughan to recognize and learn about traditions and history of one of the First Nations communities geographically closest to Vaughan and promote understanding, reconciliation and respect for Indigenous cultures.

**The Exhibit will be fully insured during the transportation periods and while it is in the City's possession to mitigate any risk.**

The Exhibit will be fully insured while it is in the City's possession and during the periods it is being transported in a manner that complies with City's normal processes for the borrowing of artwork and artifacts owned by a third party.

**Financial Impact**

**Transportation**

Transportation costs for the Exhibit, which includes careful handling of delicate historical items, are projected at an estimated amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00). This figure accounts for secure transport services to be arranged by the City from 1) the Community Centre on the reserve near Hagersville to City Hall; 2) City Hall to Pierre Berton Resource Library; and 3) Pierre Berton Resource Library back to the Community Centre near Hagersville, totaling a distance of approximately 270 km.

**Honorarium**

The City will provide MCFN with an honorarium totalling one thousand, five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) in recognition of the opportunity to borrow and display the Exhibit. This honorarium is a gesture of appreciation for the sharing of their cultural heritage by the MCFN and will serve to strengthen the relationship between the City and the MCFN community.



The financial impact of these expenditures is confined to the current fiscal period, with no anticipated recurring costs. The funding for both the transportation of the Exhibit and the honorarium will be drawn from the existing capital budget allocations. The necessary funds are available within the current budget framework of the Office of the Chief Human Resources Officer, thus negating the need for additional budgetary amendments.

### **Operational Impact**

In preparation for borrowing the Exhibit, consultations have been conducted with multiple departments within the City to ensure a cohesive operational approach.

In particular, the departments of Facilities Management, Communications and Engagement, Vaughan Public Libraries, Archives, Economic Development, Legal Services, and the Clerk's Office have been integral to the planning process, offering their specialized input to align all aspects and expertise in anticipation of hosting the Exhibit. This includes selection and logistics of venue, communication and marketing plans and transportation. Collaboration between these departments will continue so as to ensure a seamless and successful experience.

### **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

The showcasing of the Exhibit at City Hall and later at Pierre Berton Resource Library represents not only a local initiative but also an event of regional interest with significant historical relevance. The Town of Aurora has expressed interest in showcasing the Exhibit in Aurora Town Square from August 4th to September 30th, 2024, which demonstrates the Exhibit's regional appeal and the collaborative spirit among municipalities within the York Region.

The interest expressed by partners within York Region to host the Exhibit reflects a collective engagement in cultural exchange and public education. The City of Vaughan is actively engaged in discussions with other civic partners who are interested in exploring potential hosting opportunities. This regional dialogue is instrumental in expanding the reach and impact of the Exhibit, promoting a wider appreciation of Indigenous heritage and contributions.

### **Conclusion**

A successful showcasing of the Exhibit, will contribute to the City's celebration of National Indigenous History Month and its advancement of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action.

This initiative will provide an opportunity for residents of Vaughan to obtain knowledge of Indigenous heritage and learn about a piece of history through the lens of an indigenous community. It will also strengthen the relationship of the City of Vaughan and its residents with the MCFN.

Directing staff to proceed with this initiative will support the City's promotion of Indigenous Heritage Month and result in benefits to the City and its residents while underscoring the City's commitment to strengthening its relationship with MCFN.

**For more information**, please contact: Zincia Francis, Diversity and Inclusion Officer, Ext. 8159.

**Attachments**

None.

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Michael Coroneos, DCM, Corporate Services, City Treasurer and CFO

**Reviewed by**



Nick Spensieri, City Manager

## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE: REIMAGINING BLACK FUTURES IN VAUGHAN: 2024-2031  
ADDRESSING ANTI-BLACK RACISM ACTION PLAN**

**FROM:**

Michael Coroneos, Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services, City Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

This report seeks Council's approval of the Reimagining Black Futures in Vaughan: 2024-2031 Addressing Anti-Black Racism Action Plan, which outlines the City's strategic approach, action plan and key measures addressing barriers to the full and meaningful participation of the Black community in services, programs, events and general city life.

**Report Highlights**

- The Reimagining Black Futures in Vaughan: 2024-2031 Addressing Anti-Black Racism Action Plan was developed in consultation with diverse Black communities in the City, the Special Advisory Committee and relevant stakeholders using online surveys, in-person and online focus groups.
- The Action Plan spans 8 years or two terms of Council, containing 3 pillars aligning with the Term of Council Strategic Priorities with approximately 25 Objectives, 58 Key Action items and accountability measures.
- The Action Plan takes a universal approach to addressing anti-Black racism, with 31% of key activities that address broad systemic inequities. The remaining 69% are highly adaptable and can be used to achieve similar outcomes with different communities (i.e., accessibility, newcomers, Indigenous, etc.).

## **Recommendations**

1. That the Reimagining Black Futures in Vaughan: 2024-2031 Addressing Anti-Black Racism Action Plan be approved for implementation; and
2. That staff be directed to monitor and measure progress and provide annual updates to Council via the annual updates on the overall Diversity Equity and Inclusion Plan.

## **Background**

Anti-Black racism is historic, pervasive, and systemic in Canada. It is both visible and invisible. It is entrenched into societal practices that reflect and reinforce beliefs, attitudes, prejudice, stereotyping and/or discrimination directed at people of African descent and is rooted in their unique history and experience of enslavement and colonization here in Canada. Anti-Black racism is micro (as seen in day-to-day interactions) and structural (as seen in laws and policies). While racism negatively impacts all racialized people, disparities between Black people and other marginalized groups clearly show that Black people continue to be more profoundly impacted by racism.

Through the development of Reimagining Black Futures in Vaughan: 2024-2031 Addressing Anti-Black Racism Action Plan (Action Plan), the City is committed to identifying and addressing barriers to the full and meaningful participation of the Black community in services, programs, events and general city life. The City, through the procurement process, contracted the Diversity Institute (DI) to conduct community consultations to inform and develop the final strategy, action plan and key measures.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

[Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of June 22, 2021 \(Item 16, Report No. 29 of the Committee of the Whole\)](#)

[Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of April 26, 2022 \(Item 1, Report No. 16 of the Committee of the Whole\)](#)

[Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2023 \(Item 9, Report No. 48 of the Committee of the Whole\)](#)

## **Community Engagement**

### **Community Consultation: Survey**

The Diversity Institute (DI), in collaboration with the City, developed a survey focused on the following sections:

- Experiences with anti-Black racism in the City: to understand perceptions and experiences of anti-Black racism, as well as senses of belonging and allyship.

- Experiences with City events and services: to understand experiences accessing and using City services, as well as to understand participation in City events and the needs of Black entrepreneurs and Black business owners in the City.
- Experiences communicating and engaging with the City: to understand experiences receiving City information, channels used, and opportunities for improvement. Further, to understand perceptions of engagement – whether diverse Black communities believe that the City seeks their input and feedback on initiatives.
- Open-ended questions: embedded throughout sections to provide diverse Black communities with an opportunity to share recommendations for change related to services, events, communications, and others. The survey also included open-ended questions at the end of the survey geared towards understanding what the City does well broadly and what can be improved.

The survey collected demographic information including racial identity, gender identity, sexual orientation, Indigenous identity, whether participants are living with a disability, information on citizenship and newcomer status, age, religion, and languages spoken. This accounts for intersectionality, and where possible, DI will disaggregate findings to understand specific experiences and needs across diverse Black communities.

### **Community Consultations: Focus Groups**

DI held a series of community conversations in 2023 with individuals from diverse Black communities in the City to understand current experiences and barriers to participation in City initiatives, as well as their recommendations for change. Sessions were held both virtually and in person to provide flexibility and consideration for individuals with different needs.

- March 12: General experiences of Black individuals
- March 14: Experiences of Black Immigrant individuals
- March 15: Experiences of Black Seniors
- March 27: Experiences of Black Youth
- March 28: Experiences of Black members of the 2SLGBTQ+ community
- March 29: General experiences of Black individuals
- March 30: Experiences of Black Business Owners
- April 12: General Session
- April 20: Youth in-person session
- April 25: Adult in-person session

Session planning centred around the following efforts:

- **Intentional engagement and outreach:** In Phase 1 and Phase 2, DI intentionally and proactively reached out to organizations supporting diverse Black communities, as well as individuals part of the Black community, to share project efforts and objectives, and to encourage individuals to participate.
- **Widespread, accessible, and intersectional participation:** DI mitigated and addressed barriers to participation in engagement activities for diverse Black communities, including planning around other City events, providing virtual and in-person sessions, considering religious holidays and practices, and others. DI further ensured that sessions considered the intersectional experiences of the Black population and held sessions specific for Black immigrants, Black youth, Black seniors, Black members of the 2SLGBTQ+ community, and Black business owners.
- **Respectful and solutions-oriented dialogues:** DI created safe and welcoming spaces for Black individuals to share stories, barriers, and experiences of anti-Black racism while focusing conversations on solutions and recommendations for change. This was fostered through pre-session communications on session expectations and goals, mindful facilitation tactics, and trauma counsellor support.

### **Participation**

- Consultations/focus groups/1-1 meetings: across both virtual and in-person sessions from Phases 1 & 2, 81 individuals participated.
- Survey: 108 individuals completed the survey, and 83 of them were Black.
- A total of 81 unique individuals attended the sessions in Phases 1 and 2, which were held either virtually or in person. This figure excludes any repeat attendances within the same session and the presence of DI individuals. However, it does include people who attended multiple different sessions, such as someone who participated in both a virtual and an in-person session.

### **City Department Meetings**

DI engaged with City departments to share information about the project, understand departmental responsibilities and activities, and seek staff and leadership perspectives on how they envision their department's work supporting diverse Black communities.

Following the drafting of the Action Plan, the DI re-engaged the various City departments to ensure the drafted recommendations aligned with the City's various responsibilities, plans, etc. This internal City review involved feedback from 14 departments to ensure that City staff remained informed and engaged, and the appropriate department had been engaged. This feedback was used to further revise the plan ahead of the public feedback campaign in a manner that ensures the City

remains committed to eliminating the biases and barriers that impact diverse Black communities.

### **Public Validation Workshops**

DI held a series of virtual and in-person workshops in 2023 to present the draft Addressing Anti-Black Racism Action Plan and ensure the community had an opportunity to comment on the plan components. In conversation with community leaders, diverse Black communities, and individuals who had previously engaged in the survey and prior consultations, DI hosted several collaborative workshops to share the draft plan and receive feedback:

- Sept 13: In person at the Civic Centre Resource Library with the public
- Sept 14: Virtual over Microsoft Teams with the SAC
- Sept 18: Virtual over Zoom with the public

### **Special Advisory Committee**

Throughout the process, DI engaged and collaborated with the Special Advisory Committee (SAC) to share progress, findings, and the draft Action Plan for their review and feedback. In addition to the virtual validation workshop, the SAC was given additional opportunities to provide written feedback on the plan. The SAC was also provided space in the plan to include a message, ensuring their perspectives are integrated into the final plan.

### **Analysis and Options**

The City of Vaughan's commitment to addressing anti-Black racism is reflected in our comprehensive action plan, which has been shaped through extensive community consultations. These consultations revealed the diverse experiences and feedback of Black communities within Vaughan, underlining the critical need for an action plan that not only addresses anti-Black racism but also fosters meaningful connections between the City and its Black residents. This plan aims to continuously engage the community, providing pathways to build stronger, collaborative relationships that enable full and meaningful participation in the City's civic, cultural, and economic life.

The action plan is extensive, reflecting the depth and breadth of the issues at hand, as well as the City's commitment to long-term, sustainable change. The Action Plan takes a universal approach to addressing anti-Black racism, with 31% of key activities that address broad systemic inequities. The remaining 69% are highly adaptable and can be used to achieve similar outcomes with different communities (i.e., accessibility, newcomers, Indigenous, etc.). It spans across two council terms, approximately from 2024 to 2031, allowing sufficient time for the development and implementation of a detailed plan. This timeline ensures that the City can align the action items with

departmental capabilities, staff, and budget resources, while also accommodating necessary adjustments over time.

### **Benefits:**

- **Enhanced Community Engagement:** By incorporating feedback and experiences directly from the Black communities in Vaughan, the action plan ensures that initiatives are grounded in real needs and perspectives, enhancing their effectiveness and relevance.
- **Strengthened Relationships:** The plan emphasizes building collaborative relationships between the City and Black communities, fostering trust and mutual respect, which are foundational for meaningful participation and inclusion.
- **Strategic Alignment:** The involvement of Senior Leadership Leaders and all departments ensures that the action plan is fully integrated into the City's broader strategic objectives, enhancing cohesion and impact across initiatives.

### **Risks:**

- **Implementation Challenges:** Given the extensive scope of the plan, there may be challenges in aligning departmental capabilities and resources along with competing priorities with the planned initiatives, requiring ongoing adjustments and flexibility.
- **Community Engagement:** Sustaining long-term engagement with the community may present challenges, necessitating innovative approaches to keep stakeholders involved and informed throughout the implementation phase.

### **Financial Impact**

Through careful planning, budgetary considerations, and business case reviews, the plan will work toward ensuring that resources are allocated efficiently and effectively to support its objectives.

### **Operational Impact**

In developing the action plan, DI and the City's DEI team collaborated closely with key internal departments and leaders to secure buy-in and ensure the plan's actions were both relevant and feasible. This foundational work ensures organizational support and a clear understanding of departmental roles in advancing the plan's goals.

Upon approval of the Action Plan, the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion team will lead the development of the implementation plan, working with all City departments to ensure appropriate timelines for execution. This phase will involve providing support and working collaboratively with relevant stakeholder departments to identify necessary staff and budget resources to support the implementation of the Action Plan through the City's Business Case Review process.



## **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

The action plan thoughtfully includes key items that extend support to the broader initiatives of York Region, addressing areas like immigration and settlement that are beyond the City's jurisdiction. By aligning certain aspects of our strategy with regional efforts, we aim to foster a collaborative approach to systemic change across the region. This alignment ensures that our action plan contributes to a unified regional effort, leveraging our collective resources and influence to address anti-Black racism more effectively.

## **Conclusion**

In summary, the approval and implementation of the Reimagining Black Futures in Vaughan: 2024 – 2031 Addressing Anti-Black Racism Action Plan, a comprehensive strategy designed to address anti-Black racism within our community, is recommended. To ensure the plan's effectiveness and its alignment with our long-term goals, we also recommend that staff be tasked with monitoring progress and delivering annual updates to Council as part of the broader Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Plan. Together, these steps represent a committed, structured approach to combating anti-Black racism, fostering a more inclusive and equitable community for all.

**For more information**, please contact: Zincia Francis, Diversity and Inclusion Officer.

## **Attachment**

1. Reimagining Black Futures in Vaughan: 2024-2031 Addressing Anti-Black Racism Action Plan.

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## **Reviewed by**



Nick Spensieri, City Manager





# Reimagining Black Futures In Vaughan

Addressing Anti-Black Racism  
Action Plan 2024-2031



The Diversity Institute undertakes research on diversity in the workplace to improve practices in organizations. We work with organizations to develop customized strategies, programming and resources to promote new, interdisciplinary knowledge and practice about diversity with respect to gender, race/ethnicity, Indigenous Peoples, abilities and sexual orientation. Using an ecological model of change, our action-oriented, evidence-based approach drives social innovation across sectors.

Vaughan is a vibrant and prosperous community and one of Canada's fastest-growing cities. Home to nearly 345,000 people, its globally competitive economy includes more than 19,500 businesses, employing approximately 227,000 individuals. Vaughan traces its roots back to the historic communities of Concord, Kleinburg, Maple, Thornhill and Woodbridge.

This welcoming, diverse and forward-looking municipality is in the heart of York Region. Major city-building projects, like Vaughan's emerging downtown – the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre – and Canada's first smart hospital – the Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital – as well as the 900-acre North Maple Regional Park, continue to generate momentum and excitement.



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## **LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

**We respectfully acknowledge that the City of Vaughan is situated in the Territory and Treaty 13 lands of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. We also recognize the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat and the Haudenosaunee. The City of Vaughan is currently home to many First Nations, Métis and Inuit people today. As representatives of the people of the City of Vaughan, we are grateful to have the opportunity to work and live in this territory.**

## **AFRICAN ANCESTRAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

We acknowledge those who have gone before us. Over centuries, over generations, over the years, peoples of African descent arrived on Canada's shores and through Canada's ports – some involuntarily, others willingly when seeking better lives for themselves and their families. Peoples of African descent and continental Africans: as enslaved peoples, as displaced peoples across Africa's diaspora, as migrants and as settlers – we have survived. Collectively, we have made an indelible mark. Despite the horrors of the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade and over 400 years of enslavement, peoples of African descent have contributed to Canada's rich cultural and economic history. We have thrived. In solidarity, as members of Canada's African, Caribbean and Black communities, we fight against the impact and effects of structural and institutional racism that African continental and diasporic peoples face every day. In so doing, as African descendants, we honour our African ancestors, regardless of origin.

# Message from the Mayor



We recognize that anti-Black racism is a deeply ingrained systemic issue in Canada, and our city is not immune to it. The diversity of the Black community in Vaughan is representative of Canada's dynamic mosaic of communities, and we are dedicated to addressing anti-Black racism together. One of the key components of our efforts is to engage in continuous and meaningful dialogue with diverse Black communities in decision-making processes. We also aim to identify and adapt City policies and procedures to reduce institutional barriers for communities. We recognize that progress is not always linear, and moments of learning, pain, compassion and reconciliation will accompany our shared healing journey. While our experiences on this journey may differ, they remain firmly intertwined.

As we strive to advance a municipality where all residents, employees, businesses and visitors are provided equitable and accessible opportunities to engage and participate, it is important to celebrate and recognize the significant contributions diverse Black communities make to Vaughan's cultural, economic and social achievements.

We recognize there is more work to do – and we are committed to doing it.

This action plan is a step forward in that commitment.

I am grateful to everyone who contributed to this project by voicing their perspectives and collaborating to develop recommendations for sustainable change. It is greatly improved thanks to your participation.

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**Steven Del Duca**  
Mayor, City of Vaughan



# Message from the City Manager



The City of Vaughan is committed to forging connections and pursuing opportunities that foster an inclusive community that truly appreciates the diversity that enriches us.

We recognize that anti-Black racism is perpetual, pervasive and systemic in Canada, and we have created a strategy to challenge anti-Black racism in all its forms at the municipal level. The Reimagining Black Futures in Vaughan: Addressing Anti-Black Racism Action Plan highlights the steps the City is taking to improve municipal programs, policies, procedures and services to address anti-Black racism.

Thank you to the City staff who were involved with preparing this comprehensive plan. I also want to acknowledge the Special Advisory Committee, as well as the individuals from the diverse Black communities, organizations serving the diverse Black communities living in Vaughan and community leaders who participated in the engagement opportunities and gave valuable feedback to help inform this plan.

Addressing anti-Black racism is a key deliverable in our [Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Plan](#) and essential to creating an active, engaged and inclusive community – one of the priorities in the [2022-2026 Term of Council Service Excellence Strategic Plan](#).

As an award-winning organization for excellence in diversity and inclusion, the City takes pride in celebrating the many cultures that thrive in Vaughan. Collectively, the administration is working towards a shared vision that ensures Black community members and City employees continue to be heard, appreciated and valued.

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**Nick Spensieri**  
City Manager, City of Vaughan



# Special Advisory Committee

The City established the Addressing Anti-Black Racism Community Engagement Action Plan Project Special Advisory Committee to ensure the Reimagining Black Futures in Vaughan: Addressing Anti-Black Racism Action Plan centred the voices and expertise of the diverse Black communities and organizations that support diverse Black communities. The Special Advisory Committee, made up of seven diverse Black community members, provided guidance and assistance on the various components and phases of the action plan development and content. The committee also shared insight into public engagement efforts as well as the objectives, key actions and accountability measures embedded within the action plan.



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# Message from the Special Advisory Committee

## “Nothing for us, without us.”

The City of Vaughan is home to diverse African, Caribbean and Black communities. Our unique contributions have helped to build a vibrant and prosperous city where people from different backgrounds, identities and living experiences live, work and play together. We celebrate our contributions and achievements while recognizing that anti-Black racism exists and must be addressed and dismantled.

The Addressing Anti-Black Racism Special Advisory Committee was established to centre the voices, expertise and lived experiences of African, Caribbean and Black communities, and the organizations that serve them, as the City embarked on a historic project to address anti-Black racism and dismantle barriers preventing the full and meaningful participation of these communities in services, programs, events and general city life through the development of the Reimagining Black Futures in Vaughan: Addressing Anti-Black Racism Action Plan.

Comprised of Black community members and policy leaders with lived and learned experience and/or expertise, we aim to:

- provide advice on the project.
- facilitate community connections.
- advise and guide the community engagement process.
- provide feedback on the reports in each phase of the project.
- provide feedback on the recommendations and action plan.

To members of African, Caribbean and Black communities: We see you, we hear you. You matter. We are committed to ensuring your perspectives are included through continuous engagement and have advocated for the implementation

of an accountability framework that embeds transparency throughout all stages of the action plan while monitoring progress and holding stakeholders responsible.

It should be noted that addressing anti-Black racism isn't the sole responsibility of a special advisory committee or community members who courageously step forward to share their experiences and help identify and address anti-Black racism by improving City programs, policies, procedures and services. It's the shared responsibility of each and every one of us: the Mayor, Council, City staff, and all residents and visitors.

We cannot hope to effectively address anti-Black racism without listening to, learning about and believing lived experiences of African, Caribbean and Black communities, even when those experiences don't match our own. This requires empathy. It's a collective step we can all take towards reimagining Black futures in the city of Vaughan.

We hope you'll walk alongside us as we journey together.



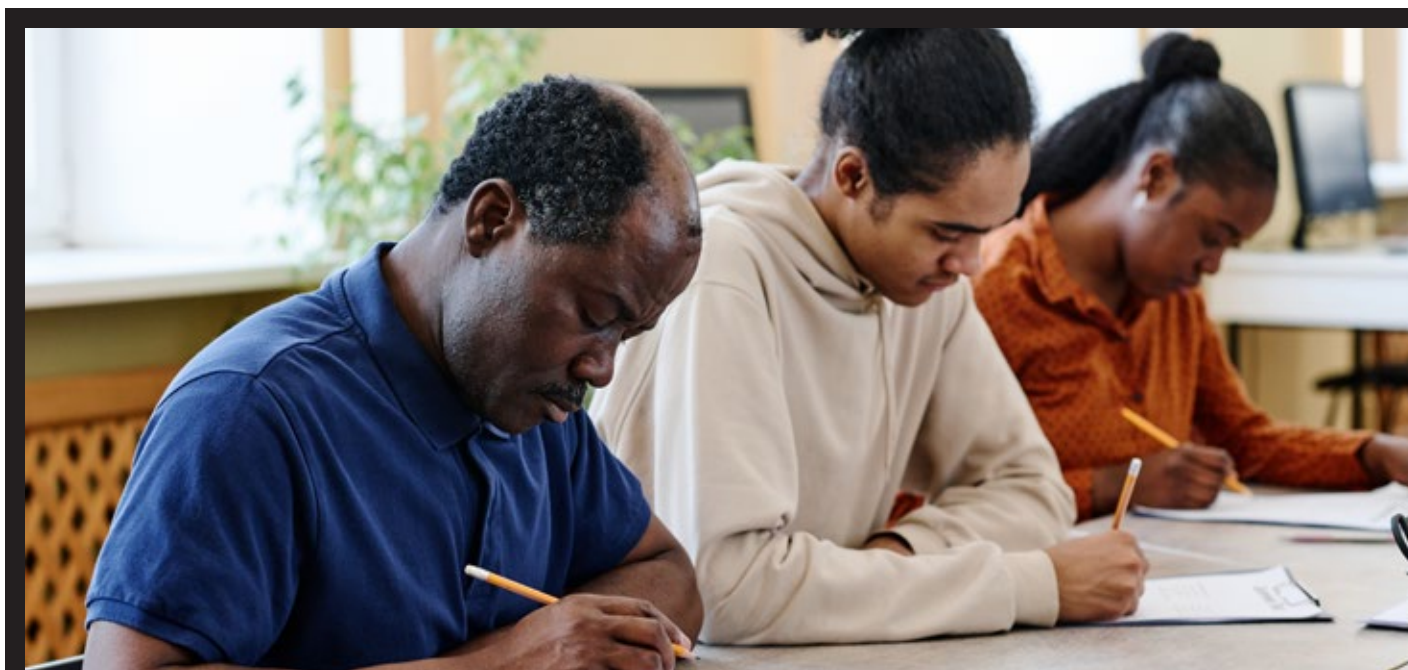


# Community Profile

The Black community in the city, as part of Canada's broader mosaic, is a testament to the rich diversity and dynamic growth that characterizes our nation. Statistics Canada data from 2021 paints a portrait of a community that is not only expanding, but also increasingly contributing to the socio-cultural and economic fabric of the country.

## **GROWING POPULATION AND DIVERSITY**

- In 2021, more than 1.5 million people in Canada identified as Black, a significant increase of 349,000 since 2016.<sup>1</sup> This growth underlines the expansion of diverse Black communities.
- The Black population in Canada reported more than 300 ethnic or cultural origins, with the most frequently reported being African, Jamaican, Haitian and Canadian.<sup>2</sup> This diversity enriches our city with a multitude of perspectives, traditions and experiences.





## **EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS**

- 32.4 per cent of the Black population aged 25 to 64 years held a bachelor's degree or higher in 2021, an increase from 27 per cent in 2016.<sup>3</sup> This trend underscores the community's commitment to education and professional development.
- The educational achievements vary within the community, with 57 per cent of second-generation African-origin Black women holding a bachelor's degree or higher, significantly contributing to the intellectual and skilled workforce in the city.<sup>4</sup>

## **LABOUR MARKET PARTICIPATION**

- The participation of the Black community in the labour market is robust, with about two-thirds (66.6 per cent) of Black Canadians aged 15 years and older being employed as of December 2022.<sup>5</sup> This is a testament to the community's strong work ethic and desire to contribute meaningfully to the economy.

## **AGE DEMOGRAPHICS**

- The Black population is notably younger than the total population in Canada, with a median age of 30.2 years.<sup>6</sup> This youthful demographic is a valuable asset, bringing energy, innovation and a forward-looking perspective to the city.



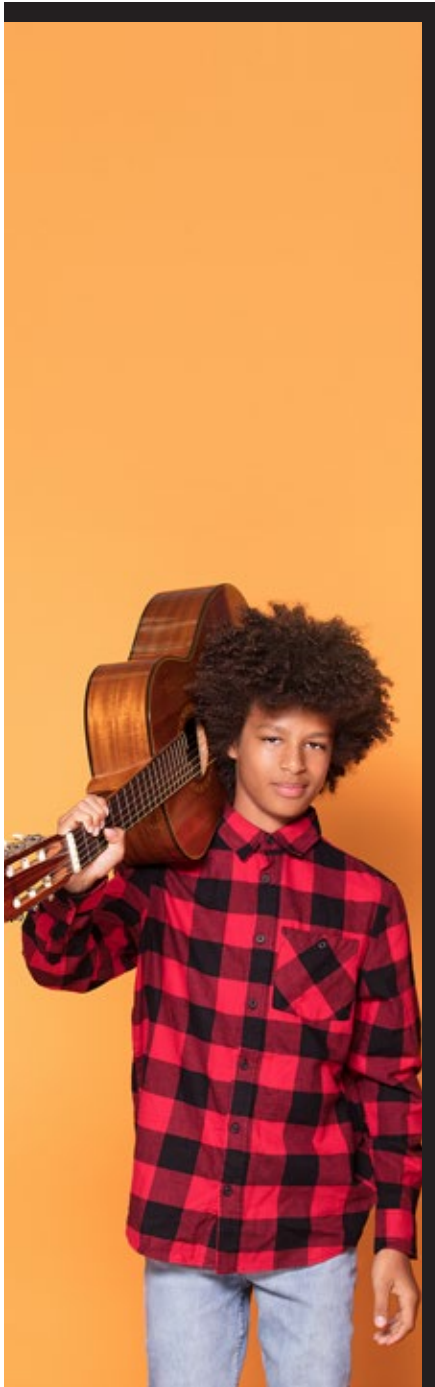
## **HISTORICAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

- The contributions of the Black community to Canada's heritage are long-standing and significant, dating back to the early 1600s with figures like Mathieu Da Costa, who is said to have interpreted for French and Dutch traders and explorers in the early 17th century.<sup>7</sup> This rich history is a cornerstone of our nation's story.

## **BLACK CANADIANS IN THE MILITARY**

- Black individuals have a rich and long-standing history of serving in the military, dating back to the early settlement and conflicts in what is now Canada. They have served in different military actions, including the War of 1812.<sup>8</sup> They have been part of the Canadian Armed Forces in various capacities, overcoming challenges and discrimination, especially during earlier periods. Their contributions span multiple conflicts and peacekeeping missions. Notably, during the First World War and Second World War, Black Canadian soldiers served with distinction, although they often faced segregation and limited opportunities.<sup>9</sup> Over time, their perseverance and dedication helped pave the way for more inclusive policies in the Canadian military, reflecting the country's growing recognition of diversity and equality within its armed forces.





## SPORT

- Black Canadians have excelled in sports, breaking barriers and achieving remarkable success. Marita Payne-Wiggins, a track and field athlete, and her son Andrew Wiggins, a professional basketball player, are among the many inspirational figures.<sup>10</sup> Their association with the city highlights the homegrown talent and athletes who achieve national and international acclaim. Moreover, Black Canadians have played a crucial role in advocating for diversity and inclusion in sports, extending impact beyond athletic accomplishments.

## ARTS

- Black Canadian artists have made significant contributions to the arts, including visual arts and music, where they continue to influence other artists and contribute to a legacy that resonates within and beyond Canada's borders.

## LOOKING AHEAD

- The Black community in Canada continues to grow, with projections suggesting a doubling of the population by 2041.<sup>11</sup> This growth represents not just numbers, but an expansion of ideas, creativity and entrepreneurial spirit.

As we observe and celebrate the International Decade for People of African Descent, it is crucial to recognize and appreciate the multi-faceted nature of the Black population in the city. Their diverse backgrounds, educational accomplishments and active participation in the labour market are integral to the city's prosperity and vibrancy. As a community, we are committed to supporting and uplifting this vital segment of our population, acknowledging their challenges and celebrating their successes.



# OUR COMMITMENT

## COMMITMENT TO DIVERSE BLACK COMMUNITIES

The city is home to a large, vibrant and diverse Black community with a rich history and culture. The community contributes to the growth and economic prosperity of the city through local Black-owned businesses and Black-owned organizations supporting community initiatives. Addressing and dismantling all forms of anti-Black racism is crucial for ensuring diverse Black communities are supported.

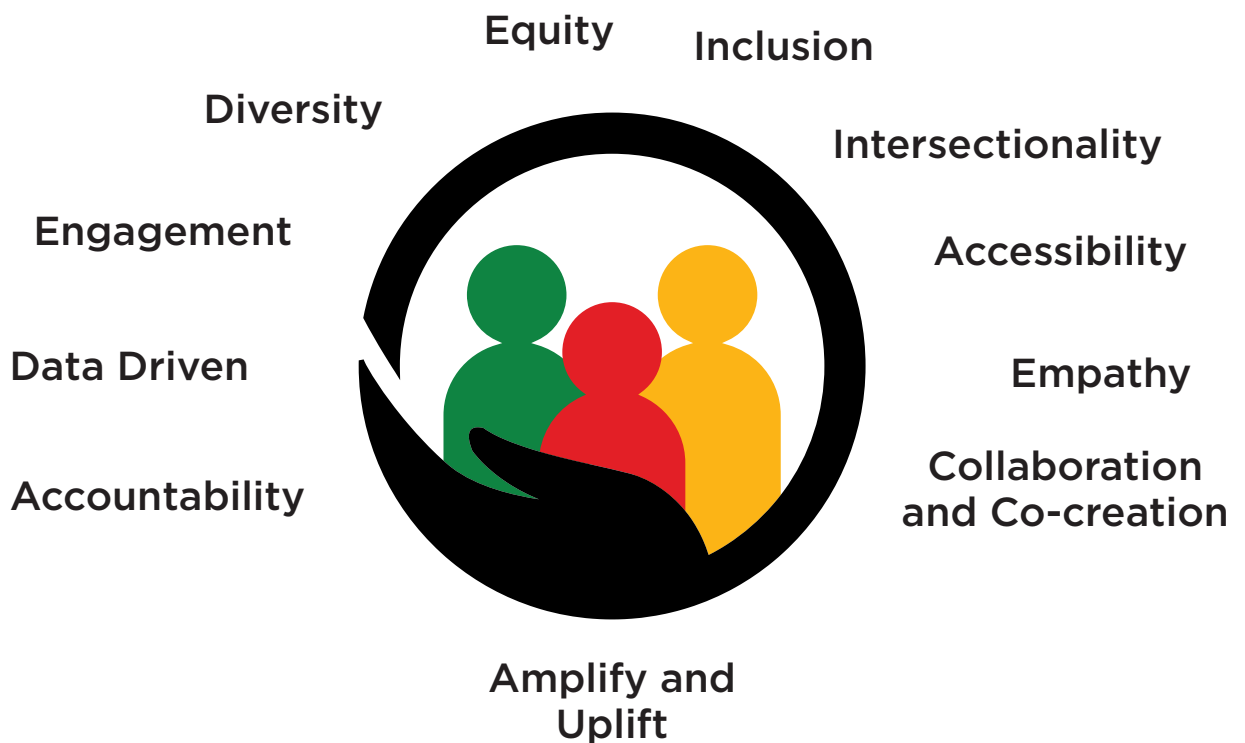
According to the Government of Ontario, anti-Black racism refers to attitudes, beliefs and discriminatory practices, among others, that are directed at Black individuals and communities.<sup>12</sup> This includes individual acts of prejudice, discrimination and racism, as well as racism that is embedded within systems, institutions and societal structures.<sup>13</sup> Although the Black community may share common experiences of racism and discrimination, experiences may vary within the community given intersectionality and overlapping and compounded forms of oppression related to ability, citizenship, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, religion and other forms of identity.

The City is committed to identifying and dismantling barriers to the full participation of communities in City initiatives and fostering inclusive services, programming and events. In our efforts to ensure inclusive societies and communities, we must ensure that we do not overlook the specific and unique needs of different communities, particularly those who have experienced, and continue to experience, racism and discrimination. Reimagining Black Futures in Vaughan: Addressing Anti-Black Racism Action Plan (the action plan) forms part of this commitment and reflects our ongoing effort to dismantle anti-Black racism and support diverse Black communities. By focusing on and implementing strategies aimed at intentionally dismantling systemic barriers, we lay a foundation for creating more equitable and inclusive societies and communities for all.



# Our Shared Values

As part of the consultation process, diverse Black communities were asked to share the key priorities they wanted to see reflected throughout this action plan, as well as in the daily work of the City. These shared values represent important values that can be applied in the development and administration of City processes to break down barriers and promote belonging. The shared values below are intended to give context to the actions throughout the plan and serve as a cornerstone of collaboration between the City and the diverse Black communities living in Vaughan.



# Developing the Action Plan

Addressing anti-Black racism is outlined as a key priority in the City's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Plan 2022-2026, and the Reimagining Black Futures in Vaughan: Addressing Anti-Black Racism Action Plan further aligns with the strategic priorities of the City's 2022-2026 Term of Council Service Excellence Strategic Plan. The action plan provides key actions for supporting diverse Black communities that fall within the City's jurisdiction and was built in collaboration with diverse Black communities in the city. Their insights, perspectives and recommendations have shaped the objectives, key actions and accountability measures within the action plan. Community engagement was central to the action plan's development, including the following efforts.



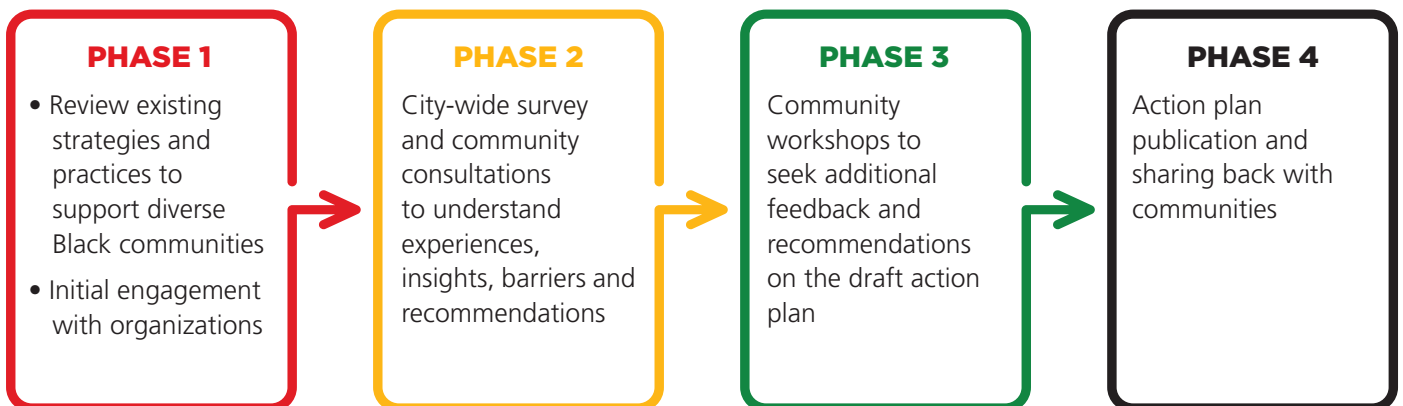
# Community Engagement

## CITY-WIDE SURVEY

A comprehensive survey was used to understand community perspectives on anti-Black racism in the city, experiences with City events and services, City communications, business development and other areas of focus. The findings from the survey were used to develop the objectives, key actions and accountability measures embedded within the action plan.

## COMMUNITY CONSULTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

Community consultations were held with diverse Black communities, including Black seniors, youth, newcomers, members of the 2SLGBTQ+ community and business owners. Sessions aimed to understand experiences of anti-Black racism, as well as experiences accessing and using City services, events, communication materials and channels, and others. Sessions focused on building recommendations and determining ways the City can support diverse Black communities. Following a draft of the action plan, diverse Black communities participated in a series of workshops to review the proposed objectives, key actions and accountability measures to provide additional feedback and insights.



# General Accountability Framework

Implementing the action plan includes creating a general accountability framework designed to foster transparency, uphold responsibility and monitor progress.

## **MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

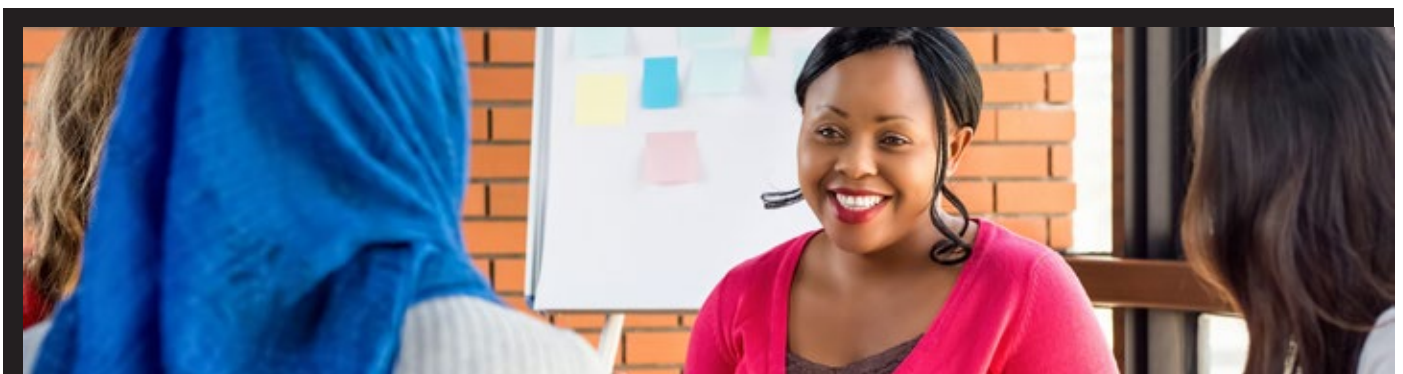
The Mayor and Members of Council will provide oversight of the Reimagining Black Futures in Vaughan: Addressing Anti-Black Racism Action Plan, and receive annual updates from the City Manager on the municipality's progress toward the action plan's key priorities and objectives.

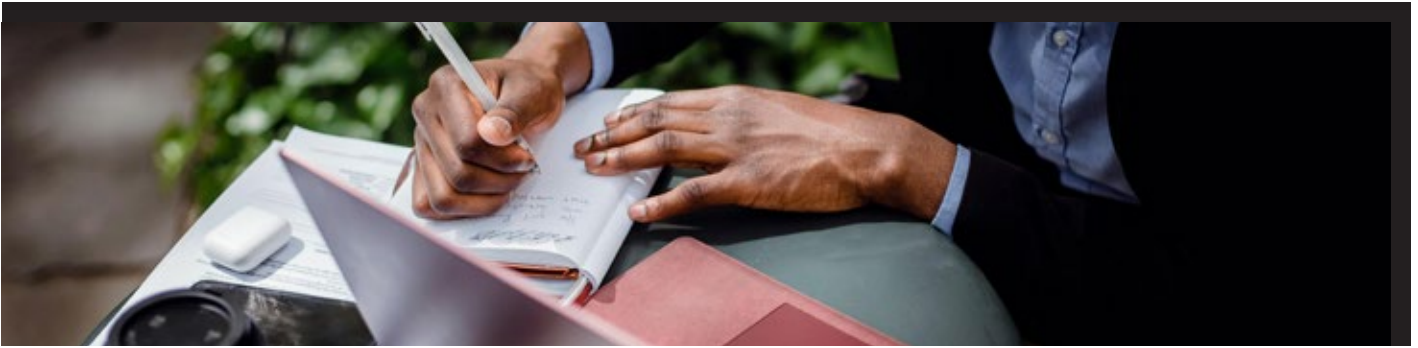
## **SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM – EXECUTIVE**

The Senior Leadership Team – Executive will lead the accountability for the action plan at the municipal level, and will receive and review quarterly reports on the progress of the action plan's objectives and key activities.

## **DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION (DEI) OFFICE**

The Diversity and Inclusion Officer will create an implementation plan as well as onboard senior leaders and Council to the action plan. The implementation plan will be used to provide annual reports to senior leadership and Council to highlight the progress and outcomes achieved.





## **INTERNAL AUDIT**

The City's anti-Black Racism efforts may be subject to audits by the City's Internal Audit department.

## **UPDATED FEEDBACK AND COMPLAINTS PROCESS**

A recurring theme heard throughout the community consultations was a request for a mechanism to review and resolve complaints, including those related to racism and discrimination. While the City currently has a mechanism for filing complaints (including a webpage to do so), there are opportunities for this system to be expanded in consultation with stakeholder departments, including the DEI Office. An updated complaints process should include clear policies and procedures that aim to improve services for the benefit of all residents, visitors and the public. The complaints mechanism should include provisions to identify complaints stemming from treatment that the complainant feels violates the Ontario Human Rights Code. It is recommended that the expansion of the current complaints process be determined using the City's business case review process and all relevant departments be consulted.

## **STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADDRESSING ANTI-BLACK RACISM**

It is recommended that the City forms a Standing Advisory Committee (SAC). This committee will advise Vaughan Council on issues faced by diverse Black communities and provide oversight and consultation on the implementation of this action plan. The SAC will help ensure all administrative processes and decisions are informed by a comprehensive understanding of community needs and aspirations. This proactive approach not only ensures inclusion and fairness, but also strengthens public trust and accountability. It is recommended that the committee be provided with an honoraria recognizing lived and learned expertise.

# Commitment to Continuous Engagement

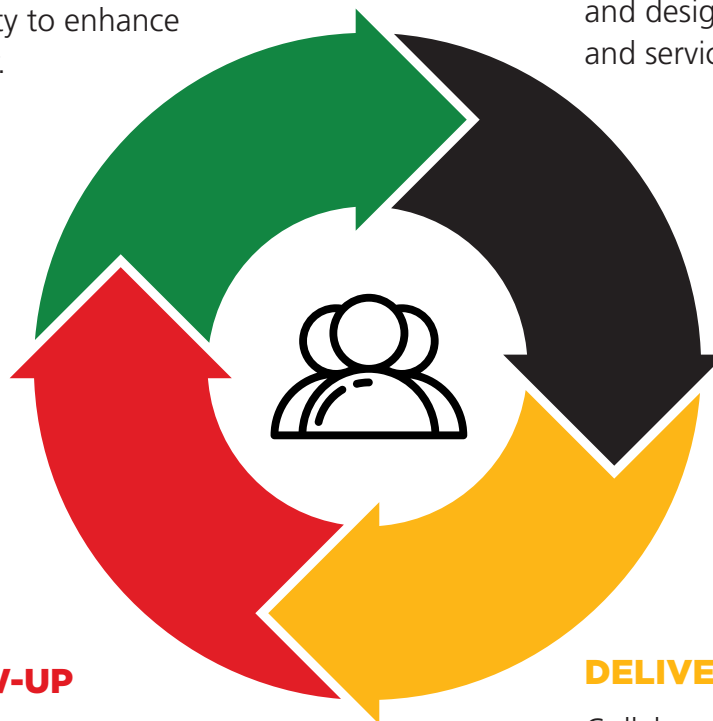
City programs, services, initiatives and engagement frameworks themselves should be designed in collaboration with diverse Black communities and the SAC.

## RESULTS

Share results from efforts with diverse Black communities and the SAC and communities across the city to enhance transparency.

## DEVELOPMENT

Collaborate with diverse Black communities and the SAC in the development and design of initiatives and services.



## FOLLOW-UP

Engage diverse Black communities and the SAC in the follow-up, regrouping and aftermath of initiatives and services.

## DELIVERY

Collaborate with diverse Black communities and the SAC in the delivery of initiatives and services.



# Action Plan

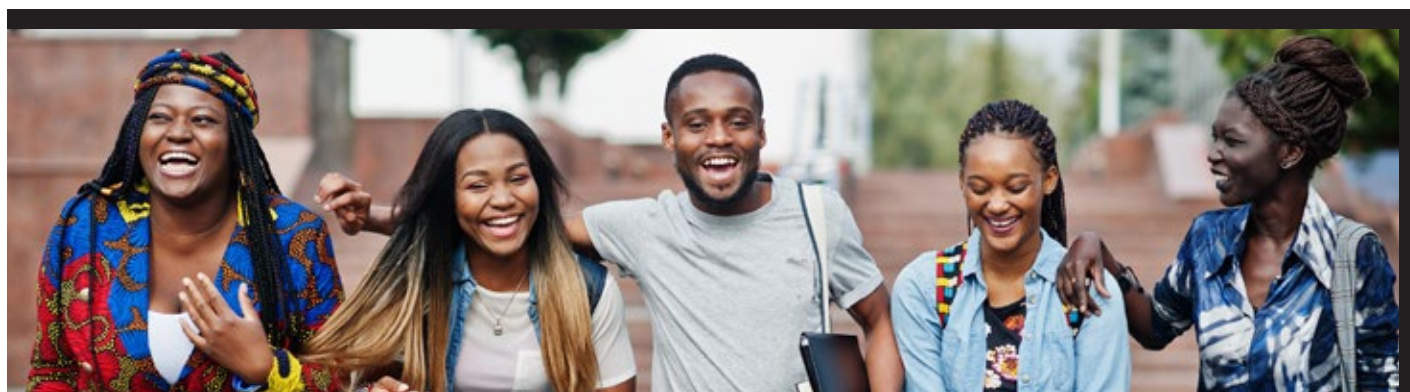
## OVERARCHING COMMITMENTS

The City is committed to including diverse Black communities in decision-making processes and removing biases and barriers from policies and procedures. The objectives and key actions within these overarching commitments reflect the City's ongoing effort to continuously address systemic barriers across all departments and all City initiatives.

**OBJECTIVE 1:** Embed the perspectives of diverse Black communities in City initiatives, and promote the engagement of diverse Black communities in City initiatives and feedback mechanisms.

### Key Actions:

- Re-examine the City's Stakeholder and Community Engagement Strategy and Policy using an equity and inclusion lens to ensure the inclusive and fair involvement of diverse Black communities in projects and programs.
- Use best practices for engagement:
  - Engage with diverse Black communities to identify opportunities and mitigate existing service gaps.
  - Create welcoming spaces for open community dialogue.
  - Maintain ongoing communication throughout the engagement process.



**OBJECTIVE 2:** Encourage relationships with Black community organizations.

**Key Actions:**

- Continue to develop relationships with diverse Black organizations, service providers, community leaders and individuals.
- Establish a SAC of diverse Black individuals to advise Vaughan Council on City services, programs and events and guide the implementation of the action plan.
- Ensure opportunities for Vaughan Council and staff to attend and join events organized by diverse Black communities.

**OBJECTIVE 3:** Identify and adapt City policies and procedures to reduce systemic and institutional barriers for diverse Black communities.

**Key Actions:**

- Incorporate an addressing anti-Black racism lens into existing policy review cycles in consultation with the DEI Office.
- Provide ongoing training to all policy writers on addressing and preventing anti-Black racism in policy development and implementation.







## **PILLAR 1: SERVICE EXCELLENCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

The City aims to provide services that are affordable, accessible and inclusive of the communities it serves.

### **Theme 1: City Services and Programming**

#### **DEI Office**

**OBJECTIVE:** Provide City leadership, staff and volunteers with knowledge and tools to create inclusive environments.

#### **Key Actions:**

- Provide learning and development opportunities on addressing anti-Black racism to enhance awareness among Vaughan Council, leadership and staff.
- Ensure training is tailored to roles, responsibilities, services and programs, and is reviewed by the SAC.

**OBJECTIVE:** Develop an inclusive complaint process for City services and programs that addresses various forms of discrimination, with an emphasis on anti-Black racism.

#### **Key Actions:**

- Implement an external mechanism for documenting racism and discrimination.
- Provide guidance and support to ensure complaints related to racism and discrimination are appropriately addressed according to the updated complaints policy and procedure for complaint intake, resolution and documentation.



- Conduct reviews on complaints leveraging the suggested complaints process above.
- Involve offices such as the Integrity Commissioner, Internal Audit or third-party firms as required.

#### **DEI Office Accountability Measures:**

- Regularly benchmark and measure community satisfaction levels against progress in addressing racism and promoting inclusion.
- Continuous engagement by the established SAC on the implementation of the action plan.
- Ongoing review and documentation of received complaints and actions taken in response.
- Review and address complaints received via the expanded complaints process based on a determined, set review schedule.

### **Parks Infrastructure Planning and Development**

**OBJECTIVE:** Develop and maintain spaces that incorporate the contributions of Black communities, ensuring the involvement of Black artists and designers in the planning and development of public spaces.

#### **Key Actions:**

- Develop inclusive signage within parks to highlight Black history, culture and art.
- Engage Black artists in designing public spaces via the Public Art Program and the future Social Procurement Policy.
- Review and amend the City's naming policies to honour Black individuals and refrain from names linked to colonialism and slavery.

#### **Parks Infrastructure Planning and Development Accountability Measures:**

- Biennial review of multilingual and culturally relevant signage.
- Quantitative involvement of Black artists in projects.



## **By-law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services**

The By-law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services department has a responsibility to investigate and enforce potential regulatory by-law violations. The department is committed to ensuring enforcement mitigates biases and is informed by a nuanced understanding of anti-Black racism.

**OBJECTIVE:** Ensure unbiased by-law enforcement.

### **Key Action:**

- Provide training for by-law staff to identify and address anti-Black racism.

**OBJECTIVE:** Enhance transparency in departmental and special event permitting processes.

### **Key Actions:**

- Review and update the Special Events Permit among other permitting processes for clarity as needed.
- Offer support on permit application completion.

### **By-law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services Accountability Measures:**

- Regular training sessions and feedback monitoring.
- Review effectiveness of application assistance.

## Office of the City Clerk

**OBJECTIVE:** Encourage diverse Black community representation in Council committees through targeted outreach.

**Key Actions:**

- Review and communicate existing protocol services to ensure clarity.
- Implement intentional outreach and recruitment to increase diverse Black community representation in standing committees.

**Office of the City Clerk Accountability Measure:**

- Increased targeted promotion, outreach and communication aimed at increasing the participation of Black individuals in standing committees.

## Public Records: Archives

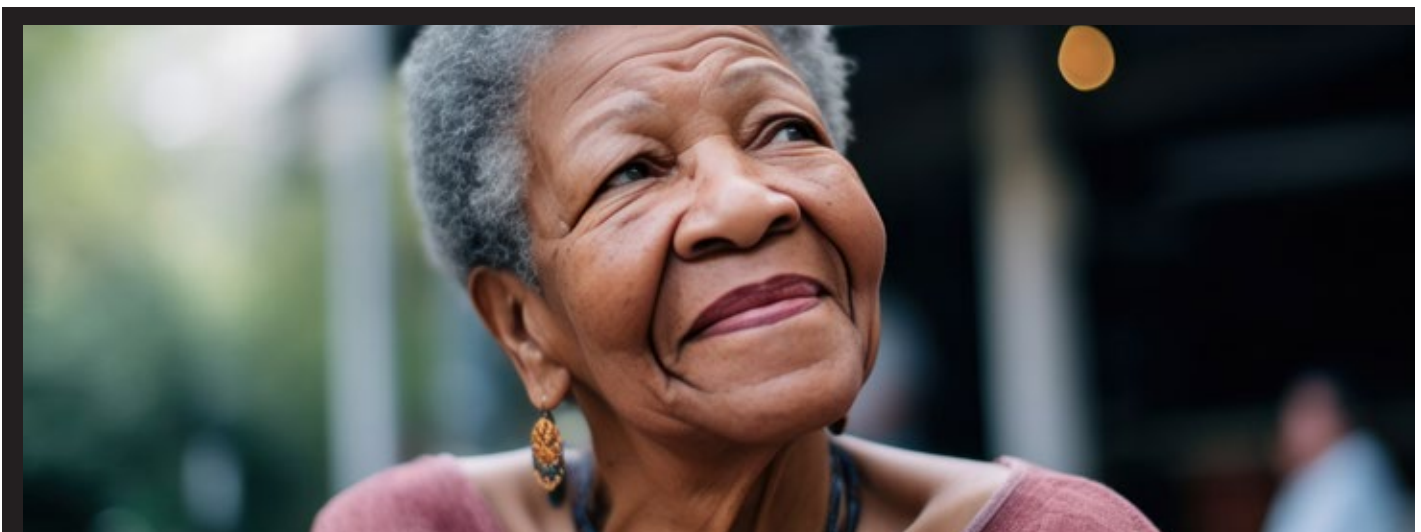
**OBJECTIVE:** Represent diverse Black community histories within City archives.

**Key Actions:**

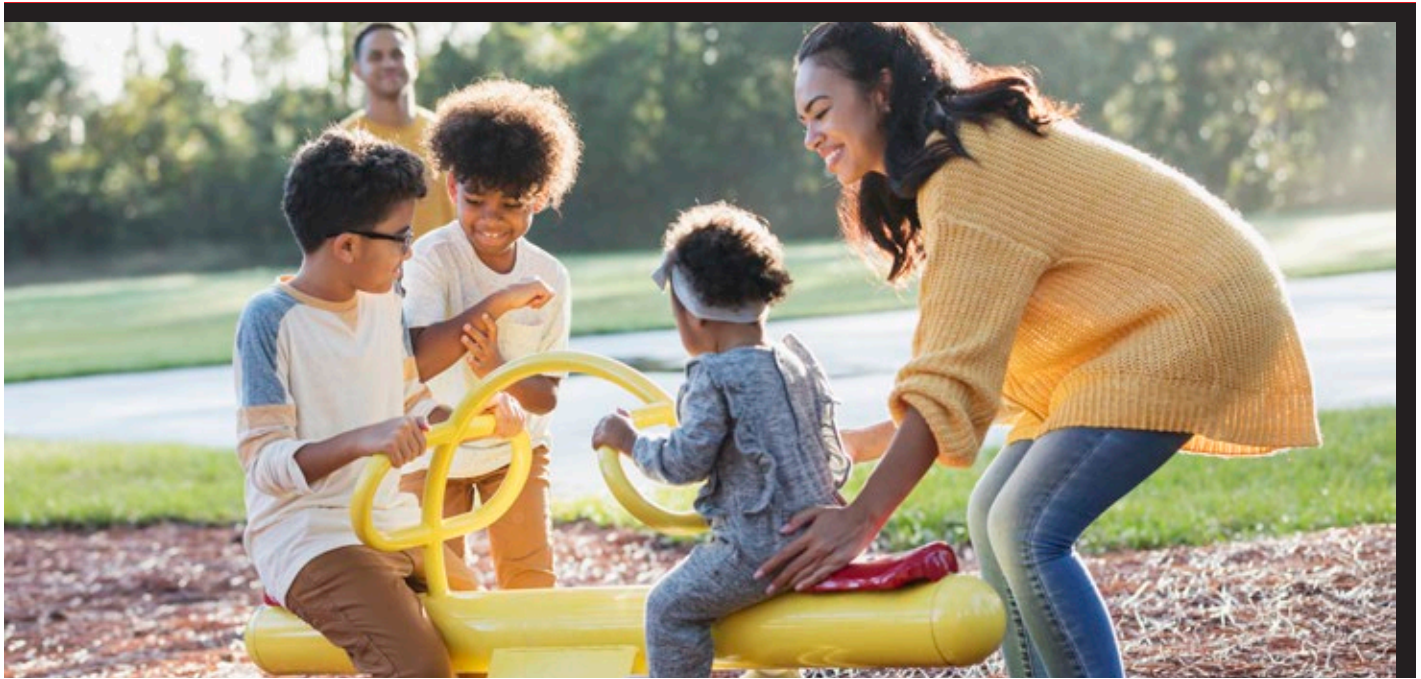
- Integrate comprehensive diverse Black community histories on the City's website.
- Collaborate with community groups, universities, libraries and experts in Black history to expand the City's archives including historical context of the city's name.

**Public Records Accountability Measure:**

- Continuous review of the archives.







## Recreation Services

**OBJECTIVE:** Enhance equitable and inclusive access to diverse recreational activities for diverse Black communities.

### Key Actions:

- Provide culturally relevant programming for diverse Black communities offering a range of programming that may include, but is not limited to, knitting and card classes, art classes, Caribbean and African music classes.
- Where possible, programs designed for diverse Black communities are facilitated by people with lived experience.
- Create and maintain inclusive and welcoming spaces for all Black community members including Black seniors, youth and Black members of the 2SLGBTQ+ community, among others.
- Promote existing options for affordable recreational support in accordance with the User Fee Policy and through RecAssist and regional subsidy programs.
- Gather and analyze data on the allocation of spaces to user groups, including tracking the number of requests approved and denied.

### Recreation Services Accountability Measure:

- Conduct regular satisfaction surveys to gauge community perceptions of inclusion within recreational services and programming.

## Vaughan Public Libraries

**OBJECTIVE:** Continue to incorporate the stories of diverse Black communities into all library services.

### Key Actions:

- Continue to provide resources, collections and programming featuring and celebrating diverse Black communities.
- Ensure library collections feature materials reflecting diverse Black experiences and are authored by diverse Black writers.
- Maintain a focus on collections to highlight positive and strengths-based Black stories and histories.
- Continue to host programming that supports diverse Black communities: book clubs, story times, intergenerational story time events for children and youth, lectures and cultural events spotlighting diverse Black authors and voices.

### Vaughan Public Libraries Accountability Measure:

- Monitor and assess the reach and impact of resources, collections and programs that focus on diverse Black communities.



## **Theme 2: Newcomer Supports**

**OBJECTIVE:** Promote networking opportunities to ensure newcomers to the city have the necessary information to access educational, employment and social support.

### **Key Actions:**

- Where feasible, partner with York Region to promote events aimed at newcomer networking and information sharing, fostering connections and enhancing awareness among communities, City staff and Vaughan Council.
- Where possible, collaborate with the York Region Welcome Centre to initiate multilingual awareness campaigns.
- Advocate for the development of educational initiatives in alignment with the refreshed 2023-2026 York Region Newcomer Strategy.

### **Newcomer Supports Accountability Measure:**

- Monitor and track increased satisfaction and perceptions of inclusion among newcomers accessing support.

## **Theme 3: City Hiring, Recruitment, Retention and Promotion**

**OBJECTIVE:** Address barriers and enhance processes in recruitment, hiring, retention and promotion within the City to better accommodate diverse Black individuals.

### **Key Actions – Recruitment:**

- Foster partnerships and create avenues for diverse Black individuals to work and volunteer with the City.
- Engage with colleges and universities, as well as organize job fairs during recreational activities, in collaboration with schools, community centres and local organizations to promote available opportunities.
- Develop a talent acquisition strategy focused on minimizing biases in recruitment and hiring.
- Review job postings and guidelines to reduce biases and emphasize transferable skills and competencies.
- Where possible, consider the use of applicant anonymizing tools during recruitment processes to mitigate hiring biases.





- Recognize international credentials and offer requisite training for internationally trained professionals where possible.
- Continue the collection of demographic information during the application and hiring process.

#### **Key Actions – Retention and Promotion:**

- Continue employee engagement surveys to gain insights into workplace inclusion, particularly for diverse Black employees.
- Develop opportunities to access networking, mentoring, professional advancement and succession planning resources tailored for diverse Black staff.
- Collaborate with the DEI Office to offer ongoing learning and development to all staff members on addressing anti-Black racism, racial trauma, bias, microaggressions and related topics.
- Collaborate with the DEI Office to integrate diversity, equity and inclusion knowledge into the staff onboarding process.
- Conduct stay interviews.

#### **Key Action – Exit:**

- Collect data on exit interviews to understand experiences and turnover of Black employees.

#### **City Hiring, Recruitment, Retention and Promotion Accountability Measures:**

- Track and analyze recruitment, hiring, promotion, retention and turnover of Black staff.
- Establish a database to track outreach channels for job opportunities including growth metrics.
- Systematic process for reviewing job postings and hiring.
- Employee resource groups established to support diverse Black staff.
- Employee engagement survey results to indicate inclusion and belonging levels among diverse Black City staff.
- Enhanced understanding and application of diversity, equity, inclusion and anti-racism principles.
- Collaborative consultations with department heads annually to review disaggregated data to pinpoint areas aiding in the retention of diverse Black staff.



## Theme 4: Resource Allocation

**OBJECTIVE:** Strengthen financial and resource commitments to counteract anti-Black racism.

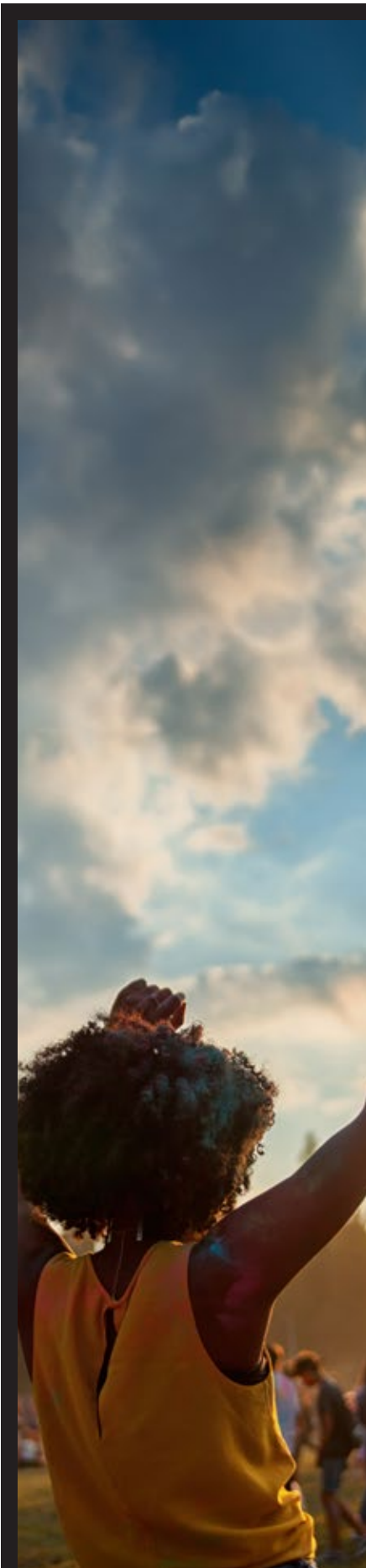
### Key Actions:

- Proportionally increase the allocation of financial, human and material resources focused on dismantling anti-Black racism. This includes providing sufficient resources for the proposals described in the action plan.
- Allocate funding to support data collection and public engagement mechanisms, such as surveys.

### Resource Allocation Accountability Measures:

- Business case created to highlight the need for additional financial support.
- Increased allocation from the City's operating and capital budgets to support the goals and key actions in this action plan and other supplementary tasks and initiatives.





## **PILLAR 2: ACTIVE, ENGAGED AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES**

The City recognizes the importance of developing events that celebrate Black history, culture and community.

### **Theme 1: Events and Empowerment**

**OBJECTIVE:** Engage with diverse Black communities in the development of broad City-led initiatives, as well as those that promote and honour Black history, culture and community.

#### **Key Actions:**

- Engage with diverse Black communities, organizations and business owners in events celebrating diverse Black history and culture year-round (e.g. Black History Month, Emancipation Day), as well as in general events (e.g. Winterfest, Concerts in the Park).
- Establish pre- and post-event feedback in City-hosted events to identify successes and areas for improvement.
- Use the future Social Procurement Policy and diverse suppliers list in City event planning and hosting.

**OBJECTIVE:** Support communities in organizing events, simplifying logistics and providing clear requirements.

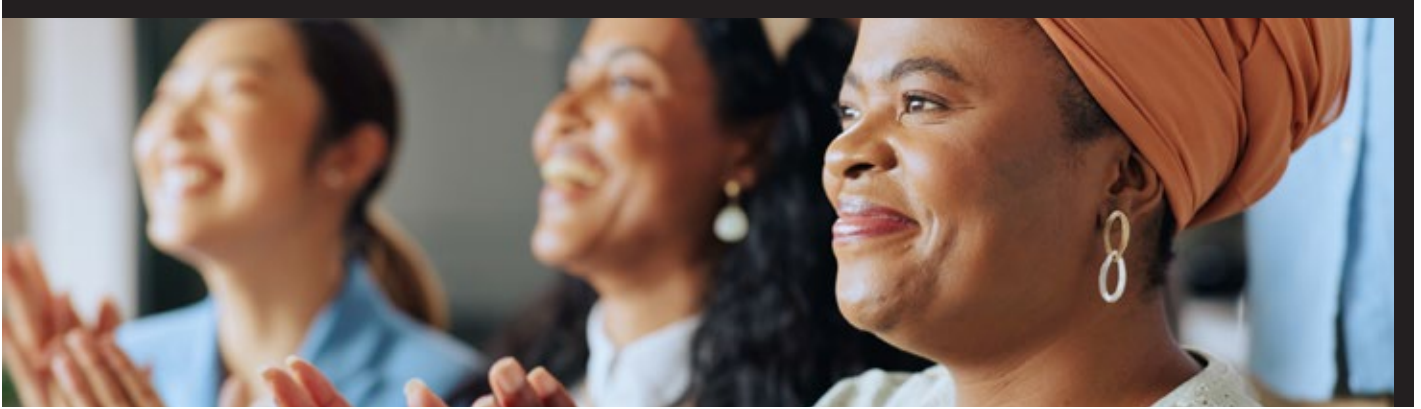
#### **Key Actions:**

Develop a user-friendly event-hosting process which includes:

- providing clear and concise information on how to host an event.
- sharing application requirements and deadlines.
- supporting organizers on the processes and providing guidance.

#### **Events and Empowerment Accountability Measures:**

- Increased satisfaction with City events among diverse Black communities.
- Increased use of Black vendors in City events.
- Monitor and increase targeted and general communication about available resources.



## **Theme 2: Outreach and Engagement**

**OBJECTIVE:** Foster ongoing dialogue between the City and diverse Black communities for input, perspectives and feedback on services and programs.

### **Key Actions:**

- Identify organizations supporting diverse Black communities, leaders, individuals and preferred gathering places.
- Build and maintain a list of diverse Black community service organizations for guidance.
- Collaborate with individuals with lived and professional experience when engaging diverse Black communities.
- Create accessible and safe platforms for cross-community dialogues and engagement through events and initiatives.
- Engage with diverse Black communities when conducting focus groups and surveys at gathering spaces such as churches and community events.
- Develop relationships with diverse Black community organizations to continue to inform services, programs and event planning.
- Measure satisfaction with City services among the diverse Black communities (e.g. City protocol services, enforcement, permits and events).

### **Outreach and Engagement Accountability Measures:**

- Updated community stakeholder map.
- Increased collaborations and consultations with stakeholders.
- Measure and increase satisfaction of City services among diverse Black communities, for example City protocol services, enforcement, permits and events.





### **Theme 3: Inclusive Communications**

**OBJECTIVE:** Improve inclusive and targeted communication to reach diverse Black communities.

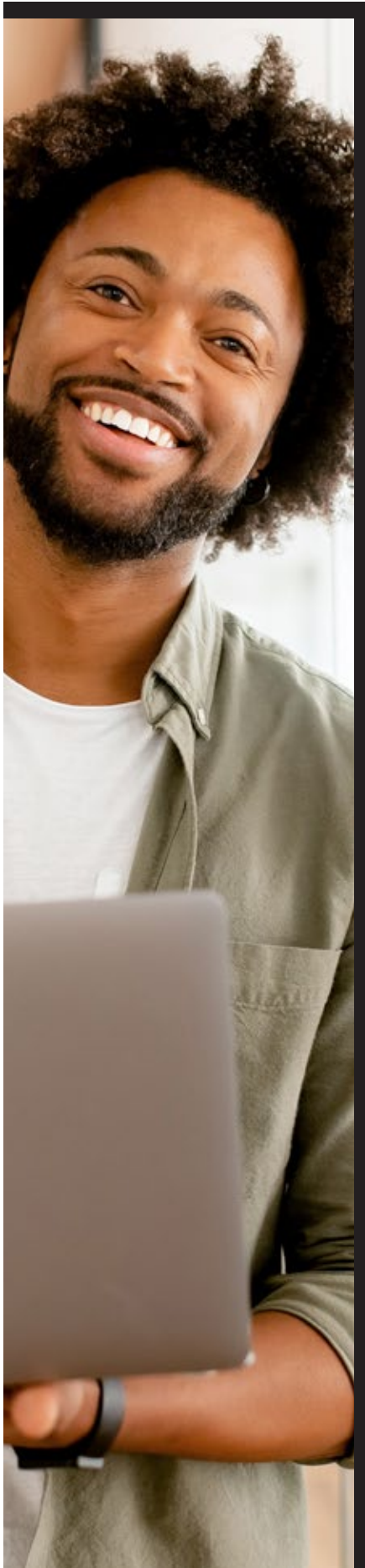
#### **Key Actions:**

- Consult with the SAC on what communication channels, such as Black-owned and Black-serving media outlets, resonate with diverse Black communities.
- Create and maintain a media contact list for Black-owned and Black-serving media outlets and ensure these media outlets are included when media products are distributed.

**OBJECTIVE:** Ensure the City's communication messaging and imagery highlight diverse Black communities.

#### **Key Actions:**

- Provide training for staff in communication and marketing roles on inclusive communication practices, including:
  - choosing appropriate and targeted channels.
  - crafting inclusive and proactive messages.
  - showcasing diverse Black communities in City communications while avoiding stereotypes.



**OBJECTIVE:** Develop public awareness campaigns to increase awareness, educate and drive engagement with City services and programs.

**Key Actions:**

- Advocate for collaboration among local municipalities in York Region to share information and cross-promote initiatives aimed at supporting diverse Black communities.
- Promote, where possible, the services of York Region, COSTI, Vaughan Welcome Centre and associations supporting Black immigrants to share information, provide employment opportunities and understand specific needs.
- Use various communication channels to highlight the City's:
  - efforts to combat anti-Black racism and progress updates on the action plan.
  - Recreation Services policies and procedures, including facility allocation and Community Service Organization (CSO) policies.
  - Real Estate Leasing Strategy, policies and procedures.
  - complaint process, with a focus on reporting discrimination and anti-Black racism.
  - Special Event Permit, hosting events and the associated guidelines.
  - protocol and permitting processes.
- Engage the SAC on an ongoing basis to enhance awareness, communication and marketing campaigns, with a particular focus on effectively targeting diverse Black communities.

**Inclusive Communications Accountability Measures:**

- Regular review of communication channels used to determine new avenues to explore.
- Ongoing data collection, where possible, on the demographics of the audiences using current communication channels.
- Regular staff training sessions developed and conducted.
- Public awareness campaigns developed with feedback collected.





## **PILLAR 3: ECONOMIC PROSPERITY AND JOB CREATION**

The City is committed to promoting economic prosperity and job creation and supporting diverse Black entrepreneurs and Black-owned businesses.

### **Theme 1: Supporting Black Entrepreneurs and Business Owners**

**OBJECTIVE:** Encourage participation of diverse Black-owned and Black-serving businesses in the City's procurement process.

**Key Action:**

- Develop a Social Procurement Policy to encourage diverse suppliers in bidding on City contracts.

**OBJECTIVE:** Strengthen the support network for diverse Black business owners via tailored services and programs.

**Key Actions:**

- Enhance awareness and education among diverse Black business owners and entrepreneurs on how to participate in the public procurement process through events, webinars, training videos, etc.
- Host business networking events and provide financial planning seminars and mentorship opportunities for diverse Black business owners and youth entrepreneurs.
- Conduct a comprehensive needs assessment to identify strategies to assist the diverse Black business community.
- Use the outcomes of this assessment to support the development of a Black-owned, Black-operated Business Association or Chamber of Commerce.
- Increase targeted communication about available programs, especially services designed for diverse Black youth entrepreneurs.

### **Supporting Black Entrepreneurs and Business Owners Accountability Measures:**

- Development of a Social Procurement Policy.
- Establishment, enactment and data monitoring related to mentorship schemes, gauging the engagement of diverse Black communities in these programs.

# Glossary of Terms

**Accessibility:** Mitigating barriers to ensure the full participation of individuals and communities in initiatives, services, events and others. According to Accessibility Services Canada, this includes the “design of products, devices, services or environments for people who experience disabilities”.<sup>14</sup>

**Accountability:** Taking responsibility for commitments, particularly those identified in the action plan, and ensuring identified objectives, key actions and accountability measures are carried out.

**Amplify and Uplift:** The City’s ongoing effort to support diverse Black communities by showing up for them in meaningful ways, for example: supporting Black businesses through programming, ensuring opportunities for Vaughan Council and staff to attend and join events organized by diverse Black communities and others.

**Collaboration and Co-creation:** An effort to work together towards common goals and ensure communities are involved in the design, development and delivery of initiatives.

**Data Driven:** A process of leveraging data and findings to make informed decisions. This includes the collection of disaggregated data, which is data that is broken down to analyze different demographic groups.<sup>15</sup> An example of this would be analyzing data on service usage by race.

**Diversity:** The presence of different and multiple human dimensions, qualities or characteristics within an organization, group or society.<sup>16</sup> This can include, but is not limited to race, gender, age, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, physical ability, language, educational background, expertise and socioeconomic status.<sup>17</sup>

**Empathy:** The ability to sense the emotions of another person and imagine what someone else may be feeling or going through,<sup>18</sup> which can result in compassionate behaviour.<sup>19</sup>

**Engagement:** A process to ensure the active participation and involvement of diverse Black communities in City initiatives.

**Equity:** An equitable approach recognizes that diverse communities may need unique and varied supports in order to better “level the playing field.”<sup>20</sup>

**Inclusion:** “Acknowledging and valuing people’s differences to enrich social planning, decision-making and quality of life for everyone. In an inclusive municipality, we each have a sense of belonging, acceptance and are recognized as valued members of society.”<sup>21</sup>

**Intersectionality:** “Intersectionality is the intersection, or crossover, of our many identities that affect how each of us experiences the municipality. These intersections occur within a context of connected systems and structures of power.”<sup>22</sup>

**Transparency:** Ensuring actions and efforts, particularly those within the action plan, are documented, clear and widely available.

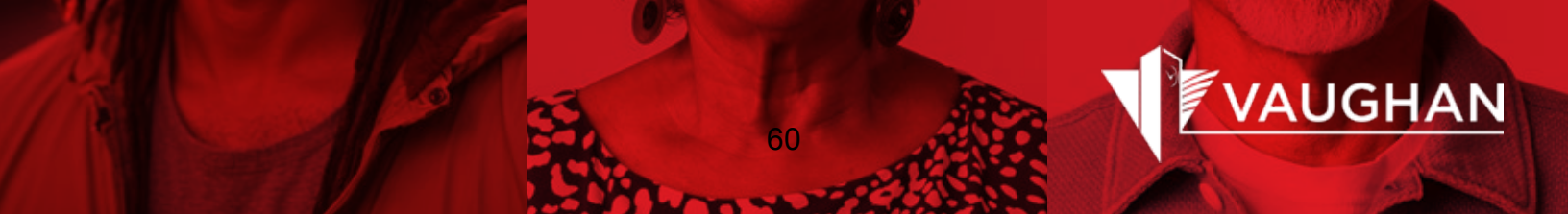




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## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE: PROJECT SEARCH REPORT ON FEASIBILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY**

**FROM:**

Michael Coroneos, Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services, City Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

**ACTION:** FOR INFORMATION

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**Purpose**

As per Council direction, this report provides information on the feasibility of the operation of "Project SEARCH."

**Report Highlights**

- "Project SEARCH" is a program that aims to assist young adults with disabilities in transitioning to employment.
- Project SEARCH was implemented as a pilot project from September 2022 to June 2023.
- Staff have researched alternative funding avenues and engaged an alternate educational partner for a new collaboration to continue Project SEARCH without success therefore we cannot continue the program at this time.

**Recommendation**

1. That this report be received for information.

**Background**

People with disabilities in Ontario face employment barriers, including high unemployment rates, underemployment, lack of accessibility, and negative stereotypes. The City of Vaughan has the highest disability rate among local municipalities at 21.4%, with a significant employment disparity between those with and without disabilities. Initiatives like "Project SEARCH" can help tap into the untapped potential of this community.

"Project SEARCH" is a program that aims to assist young adults with disabilities in transitioning to employment. The license to operate the program was purchased from Project SEARCH with funding from the Ministry of Education by the Catholic District School Board. The City of Vaughan, in collaboration with the York Catholic District School Board and Community Living York South, ran a pilot program for ten individuals with disabilities in York Region during 2022-2023. The goal was to help them successfully transition from high school to meaningful employment. Four out of the eight individuals who completed the program were able to secure employment using the skills they acquired.

Despite its success, the York Catholic District School Board ended the partnership agreement on June 27, 2023, due to budgetary issues. Therefore, without sustained financial support from the Province and an instructor from the board, continuing the program in its current form is not feasible at this time.

### **Previous Reports/Authority**

[Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of June 28, 2022 \(Item 4, Report No. 30 of the Committee of the Whole\)](#)

[Extract from the Council Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2023 \(Item 5, Report No. 28 of the Committee of the Whole\)](#)

### **Analysis and Options**

The "Project SEARCH" program is a model that is employer-led; therefore, the host employer/organization is responsible for delivering the program as part of its core business. The organization must fully participate in setting up and organizing the model and overseeing its delivery. At the City, the "Project SEARCH" pilot program was facilitated by one instructor from the school board and two skills trainers from Community Living York South. They taught the necessary skills for workplace success in both classroom and on-the-job settings. In addition, experienced City of Vaughan staff mentored students on the job to develop their skills and provide real-world feedback.

Although the project was largely successful, it faced some operational challenges. One of the main challenges was the lack of dedicated full-time staff to oversee and coordinate the program, which resulted in an inconsistent experience for everyone involved. Additionally, there were instances where the number of interns exceeded the number of skill trainers, which did not meet the recommended standards set by "Project SEARCH" and the City's requirements. This happened due to a partner's labour shortages, which impacted the support available to the participants.

For “Project SEARCH” to succeed, the following option was considered for both staffing and funding.

Partnership with an alternate School Board and other Community Agencies:

- The City could initiate outreach to various school boards within the jurisdiction, assessing their inclination to collaborate with "Project SEARCH."
- The approach might also involve liaising with community organizations that specialize in training, especially those that focus on differently abled individuals, such as March of Dime and Abilities Centre.
- As per the Project SEARCH licensing model:
  - The School Board would provide the in-class instructor (cost covered by the school board)
  - The community agency would provide skill trainers and a job developer (cost covered by the community agency)
  - The City would provide the Project Coordinator

Challenges

- Securing a partnership remains a variable, given the discretion of the School Board to select a specific municipality per academic year and the unpredictability of identifying community partners with the necessary funding to employ skill trainers.
- If there is withdrawal of support from external collaborators, the workload will exceed the capacity of a single full-time staff member. This could necessitate a reconsideration of the project's scope.
- The municipality's potential reliance on external financial sources could introduce risks to the project's continuity.

### **School Board Involvement**

The Project SEARCH model requires the involvement of a business partner and school board. York Region District School Board, which has obtained the required license from Project SEARCH to operate in York Region, has partnered with a local hospital as its business partner for the foreseeable future. Therefore, the City cannot proceed with the operationalization of Project SEARCH at this time.

### **Financial Impact**

N/A

### **Operational Impact**

N/A

**Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

N/A

**Conclusion**

Lacking a partnership with an education partner, staff cannot continue the program at this time.

**For more information**, please contact: Zincia Francis, Diversity and Inclusion Officer, ext. 8159.

**Attachments**

None

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Zincia Francis, Diversity and Inclusion Officer, ext. 8159

**Approved by**



Michael Coroneos, Deputy City Manager, City Treasurer & CFO

**Reviewed by**



Nick Spensieri, City Manager

## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE:** BUILDING PERMIT FEES ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT 2023

**FROM:**

Haiqing Xu, Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management

**ACTION:** FOR INFORMATION

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**Purpose**

To provide Council with the Building Permit Fees Annual Financial Report for 2023, as required by the Building Code.

**Report Highlights**

- Building permit revenues collected in 2023 were \$10,419,404.
- Direct and Indirect costs in 2023 were \$14,046,567.

**Recommendations**

1. THAT the Building Permit Fees Annual Financial Report for 2023 be received for information.

**Background**

The Building Code requires that a financial report be prepared annually to provide information on the following matters:

- i. Total Fees Collected (12-month period);
- ii. Direct Costs of delivering services (Review of permit applications and inspections of buildings);
- iii. Indirect Costs of delivering services (Support and Overhead Costs); and
- iv. The account balance for the Building Standards Service Continuity Reserve as established by Council.



To comply with the Building Code, the Building Permit Fees Annual Financial Report has been prepared for 2023 and is based on unaudited information.

### **Previous Reports/Authority**

None.

### **Analysis and Options**

This report has been prepared in coordination with Financial Planning and Development Finance Department staff. It is based on Council's previous approvals respecting the Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. Activity Based Costing Methodology for User Fees Report, and the establishment of the Building Standards Service Continuity Reserve.

The Building Standards Service Continuity Reserve was established to stabilize fluctuations in permit revenues resulting from changes or variations in construction activity. The stabilization of permit revenues allows the Building Standards Department (BSD) to meet its legislated requirements; thereby ensuring continuity of service delivery without impacting the general tax base.

To develop a sustainable financial model for the BSD, a comprehensive building permit fee study was carried out by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. in 2017/2018 to ensure fees achieve full cost recovery of direct and indirect costs associated with the delivery of services in the BSD (building permits and inspection services). The study also benchmarked Vaughan's building permit fees with other comparable GTA municipalities to maintain market competitiveness.

In 2022 the City retained Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. to undertake a comprehensive review of the full costs of Development Planning, Development Engineering and Building Standards functions and to make fee structure recommendations to provide for reasonable full cost for the services. This study was completed in 2023 and presented to the April 18, 2023, Committee of the Whole (2) for consideration, and latter approved without amendment at the Council meeting of April 25, 2023. The Building Standards Department will monitor the effectiveness of the new cost model resulting from this study and will work with our partners in Development Finance if further changes are necessary in the future.

### **Financial Impact**

The Building Permit Fees Annual Financial Report shows a total revenue of \$10,419,404 for building permit fees collected in 2023 and a combined total of direct and indirect costs of \$14,046,567. An amount of \$3,627,163 was withdrawn from the Building Standards Service Continuity Reserve to cover the deficit. The 2023 closing balance in the Building Standards Service Continuity Reserve is \$25,535,358.

**Operational Impact**

None.

**Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

None.

**Conclusion**

As required by legislation, this report provides the total fees collected by the BSD in 2023, total costs of delivering its service, and balance of the Building Standards Service Continuity Reserve.

**For more information**, please contact: Ben Pucci, Director of Building Standards, ext. 8872.

**Attachment**

- 1. 2023 Building Permit Fees Annual Financial Report.

**Prepared by**

Ben Pucci, Director of Building Standards, ext. 8872

**Approved by**



Haiqing Xu, Deputy City Manager,  
Planning and Growth Management

**Reviewed by**



Nick Spensieri, City Manager



**City of Vaughan**  
**Ontario Building Code Act**  
**Building Standards Service Continuity Reserve**  
**2023 Annual Actual Report - Unaudited**  
**(For the Period January 1, 2023 to December 31,2023)**

**ONTARIO BUILDING CODE - REVENUES**

Total Fees Collected	\$ (10,419,404)
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**ONTARIO BUILDING CODE - EXPENSES**

Direct Costs	\$ 10,941,397	
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Indirect Costs	\$ 3,105,170	
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TOTAL DIRECT & INDIRECT COST	\$ 14,046,567
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CONTRIBUTION TO/(FROM) BUILDING STANDARDS CONTINUITY RESERVE	\$ (3,627,163)
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NET BALANCE	\$ -
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**BUILDING STANDARDS SERVICE CONTINUITY RESERVE**

Opening Balance	\$ 28,353,994	
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Transfer to / (Withdrawal from) Reserve:	\$ (3,627,163)	
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Transfer to / (Withdrawal from) Reserve - Capital	\$ (65,729)	
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Interest Earned	\$ 874,255	
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<b><u>CLOSING BALANCE RESERVE</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 25,535,357</u></b>
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## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE:** CITY OF VAUGHAN  
ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT FILE Z.23.028  
SEASONAL OUTDOOR PATIOS FOR RESTAURANTS AND  
BANQUET HALLS CITY-WIDE

**FROM:**

Haiqing Xu, Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

To seek approval from the Committee of the Whole on a city-initiated Zoning By-law Amendment to permit city-wide permissions for Seasonal Outdoor Patios and temporary expansions to existing Outdoor Patios accessory to Restaurants and Banquet Halls, and to amend the City's Site Plan Control By-law 123-2013.

**Report Highlights**

- The City proposes Zoning By-law Amendments to By-laws 1-88 and 001-2021 to permit Seasonal Outdoor Patios on an annual basis to be regulated under a Licensing By-law.
- The City's Site Plan Control By-law 123-2013, as amended, is also proposed to be further amended to waive the requirement for a Site Development Application to implement Seasonal Outdoor Patios.
- The Development Planning Department support the proposed amendments.

**Recommendations**

1. THAT Zoning By-law Amendment File Z.23.028 (City of Vaughan) BE APPROVED, to amend Zoning By-law 1-88, to permit the use of seasonal outdoor patios and the temporary expansion of existing outdoor patios, both accessory to Eating Establishment, Restaurant and Banquet Hall uses, together with the amendments identified in Attachment 2 of this report;

2. THAT Zoning By-law Amendment File Z.23.028 (City of Vaughan) BE APPROVED, to amend Zoning By-law 001-2021, to permit the use of seasonal outdoor patios and the temporary expansion of existing outdoor patios, both accessory to Restaurant and Banquet Hall uses, together with the amendments identified in Attachment 3 of this report; and
3. THAT the City's Site Plan Control By-law 123-2013, as amended, be further amended to exempt seasonal outdoor patios and the temporary expansion of existing outdoor patios, both accessory to Restaurant and Banquet Hall uses from Site Plan Control.

## **Background**

Location: City-wide

***On October 20, 2021, Council adopted the new Comprehensive Zoning By-law ('CZBL'), which was ordered into force by the Ontario Land Tribunal ('OLT') on December 28, 2022, and as corrected on March 28, 2023, with exceptions***

The CZBL affects all lands within the City of Vaughan, except for lands in the vicinity of Yonge Street and Steeles Avenue West, as shown on Attachment 1, and any other lands subject to outstanding site-specific appeals. The CZBL replaces Zoning By-law 1-88 except for matters of transition pursuant to Section 1.6 of the CZBL, and the Yonge-Steeles Corridor Secondary Plan Area. The CZBL has been appealed to the OLT by a number of appellants. The OLT issued an Order on December 28, 2022, which was subsequently corrected on March 28, 2023, bringing into effect all sections of the CZBL that have not been appealed.

***Temporary Outdoor Patios were previously approved by Vaughan Council during the COVID-19 Pandemic***

On June 29, 2020, Vaughan Council approved a City-initiated Zoning By-law Amendment (File Z.20.017) and passed the associated temporary use By-law 094-2020 to permit the use of temporary outdoor patios accessory to a Restaurant or Banquet Hall subject to the required zoning standards identified in the by-law. The duration of By-law 094-2020 initially spanned the period in which the Province of Ontario declared an emergency to exist under Section 4 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (the 'Emergency Order') related to the COVID-19 pandemic, or up until November 2, 2020, whichever came first.

The intention of By-law 094-2020 was to allow Restaurants and Banquet Halls to temporarily continue operating outdoors while indoor dining was restricted or not permitted during the COVID-19 pandemic. By-law 094-2020 was further amended by By-law 148-2020 to extend the temporary use permissions to no longer than 14 days beyond the lifting of the Emergency Order, irrespective of the November 2, 2020, date. The Province of Ontario lifted the Emergency Order on July 24, 2022.

The temporary outdoor patio permissions received largely positive feedback from the industry and patrons, and the City did not experience significant enforcement issues or complaints from the public during this time. With the temporary outdoor patio permissions now expired, the City has an interest in reintroducing permissions to provide opportunities for Restaurant and Banquet Hall uses to erect temporary outdoor patios on a recurring seasonal basis to support businesses in the City.

***The City has initiated a Zoning By-law Amendment to permit seasonal outdoor patios accessory to Restaurants and Banquet Halls***

The City has initiated City-wide Zoning By-law Amendment file Z.23.028 to amend both by-laws 1-88 and 001-2021 to permit Seasonal Outdoor Patios for Restaurant and Banquet Hall uses, along with the draft zoning by-laws shown in Attachments 2 and 3 (the 'Amendments').

The City also proposes to further amend Site Plan Control By-law 123-2013 to waive the requirement for a Site Development Application to implement Seasonal Outdoor Patios or temporary expansions to existing Outdoor Patios accessory to Restaurants and Banquet Halls, as shown in Attachment 4.

The City also proposes to amend its Licensing By-law to establish criteria for receiving a license to erect and operate a Seasonal Outdoor Patio, which will be considered simultaneously with the above noted by-laws. An associated report prepared by the By-law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services Department will also be considered at the April 16, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting.

***Public Notice was provided in accordance with the Planning Act and Council's Notification Protocol***

- *Date of Notice:* Published in the February 7, 2024, edition of the Toronto Star and circulated to all Ratepayer's Associations on February 9, 2024
- *Date of Public Meeting:* March 5, 2024, ratified by Council on March 26, 2024
- The By-law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services Department conducted a business survey on February 15, 2024, which is detailed in the associated Licensing Report, to obtain feedback on the proposed permissions for seasonal temporary outdoor patios.

One communication was received at the March 26, 2024, Council meeting by the Kleinburg BIA submitted on March 24, 2024 in favour of permissions for Seasonal Outdoor Patios. No additional comments have been received by the Development Planning Department as of April 2, 2024.

**Previous Reports/Authority**

Previous reports related to the application can be found at the following links:

City of Vaughan, Committee of the Whole Report, Temporary Use By-law File Z.20.017 [June 29, 2020, Committee of the Whole \(1\) \(Item 1, Report 30\)](#)

City of Vaughan, City Council Report, Extension of Temporary Use By-law 094-2020  
[October 21, 2022, Council Meeting Addendum Item 2](#)

City of Vaughan, Public Meeting Report, Zoning By-law Amendment File Z.23.028  
[March 5, 2024, Committee of the Whole Public Meeting \(Item 2, Report 8\)](#)

## **Analysis and Options**

***The Amendments are consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement and conform to the Growth Plan, YROP and VOP 2010***

Provincial Policy Statement, 2020 ('PPS'), A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2019, as amended (the 'Growth Plan') and York Region Official Plan 2022 ('YROP 2022')

The PPS and Growth Plan provide direction on matters of Provincial interest related to land use planning and development and a framework for implementation through municipal Official Plans. The PPS and Growth Plan promote the building of complete communities that support a strong and competitive economy, make efficient use of land and infrastructure and protect public health and safety.

The YROP 2022 guides economic, environmental and community building decision making across York Region, and describes how York Region will accommodate future growth and development while meeting the needs of existing residents and businesses. YROP 2022 promotes innovation, economic diversity and resilience. Its policies intend to encourage investment and prosperity in a way that creates a competitive business environment.

The Amendments will provide flexibility for Restaurant and Banquet Hall uses to accommodate patrons on a recurring seasonal basis without the requirement to construct permanent patio facilities or obtain Site Plan Approval. These permissions will support economic development and resiliency while still protecting for public safety and site function through the use of appropriate standards identified in the corresponding Licensing By-law. Staff are satisfied that the Amendments are consistent with the PPS and conform to the Growth Plan and YROP 2022.

### Vaughan Official Plan 2010 ('VOP 2010')

VOP 2010 sets out the municipality's general planning goals and policies that guide future land use. VOP 2010 permits Restaurants (which are defined as "Retail" for the purpose of VOP 2010) in the following land use designations identified on Schedule 13 - Land Use:

- "Low-Rise Mixed-Use", "Mid-Rise Mixed-Use", "High-Rise Mixed-Use", "Community Commercial Mixed-Use", "Downtown Mixed-Use" and "Major Institutional";
- "Employment Commercial Mixed-Use" subject to a maximum Gross Floor Area ('GFA') of 3,500 m<sup>2</sup> per unit;

- “Prestige Employment” provided they are accessory and directly associated to a primary use, or are ancillary subject to locational criteria and a maximum GFA of 185 m<sup>2</sup> per unit and the total GFA of all ancillary uses does not exceed 20% of the total GFA of any one lot; and
- “Theme Park and Entertainment” where they are directly associated with the Theme Park Use.

VOP 2010 does not expressly permit Banquet Halls in any land use designation; however, Section 10.2.1.4 of VOP 2010 recognizes legally existing land uses as they exist at the time VOP 2010 was approved, which may include existing Restaurant and Banquet Hall uses located across the City within various land use designations.

The Amendments will permit Seasonal Outdoor Patios on a recurring basis for Restaurants and Banquet Halls which are permitted as of right by the Zoning By-law, or are legally existing as of the date of the Amendments. The Amendments conform to VOP 2010.

***Amendments to Zoning By-laws 1-88 and 001-2021 are required to permit the Seasonal Temporary Outdoor Patios***

Zoning By-law 1-88:

- Zoning By-law 1-88 continues to apply to lands subject to ongoing site-specific appeals to Zoning by-law 001-2021, matters of transition under Section 1.6 of the CZBL, and the Yonge and Steeles area
- Outdoor Patios accessory to an Eating Establishment (Restaurant) are permitted
- A Banquet Hall is also permitted to contain an Eating Establishment up to a maximum 20% GFA of the building, which may also have an accessory Outdoor Patio

Zoning By-law 001-2021:

- Zoning By-law 001-2021 applies to all other areas of the City
- Outdoor Patios accessory to a Restaurant are permitted
- A Banquet Hall is also permitted to contain the incidental preparation and sale of food and beverages

The Amendments will establish the definition of a Seasonal Outdoor Patio in both Zoning By-laws 1-88 and 001-2021 to permit their use accessory to a Restaurant or Banquet Hall. The use would be permitted to operate between April 1 and November 1 every year, except in 2024 where the use is expected to be permitted starting May 28 after the last day of the by-law appeal period. Drafts of the proposed amending zoning by-laws are included in Attachments 2 and 3.

Parking

Under the temporary use By-law 094-2020 implemented during the COVID-19 pandemic, Temporary Outdoor Patios were permitted to be up to 100% of the existing Restaurant use’s gross floor area (‘GFA’) or up to 50% of the existing Banquet Hall



use's GFA, did not require any additional parking spaces, and could occupy a maximum of 20% of the total parking supply on the lot.

Under the CZBL, Outdoor Patios already do not require any additional parking spaces, but rather restrict their maximum GFA up to 40% of the existing restaurant GFA. The CZBL does not currently permit a Banquet Hall to have an accessory Outdoor Patio.

The Amendment will permit both a Restaurant and Banquet Hall use to establish a Seasonal Outdoor Patio, subject to the following:

- No requirement for additional parking spaces for the Seasonal Outdoor Patio
- Seasonal Outdoor Patios may occupy existing required parking spaces for the site if the spaces are adjacent to the sidewalk that is fronting the entrance to the Restaurant or Banquet Hall use, provided they are not designated barrier-free parking spaces. This restriction will limit the location of Seasonal Outdoor Patios and prevent them from occupying parking spaces intended for other users of the site.

By allowing the Seasonal Outdoor Patios to occupy required parking spaces, some flexibility is afforded that avoids the need for a detailed parking calculation to be conducted for the site, recognizing that the Seasonal Outdoor Patio placement will be temporary.

#### Pedestrian and Vehicle Circulation and Safety

To avoid potential conflict between the location of Seasonal Outdoor Patios and the safe circulation of pedestrians and vehicles, they will not be permitted within roads, lanes aisles or parking areas, except for parking spaces that are adjacent to the Restaurant or Banquet Hall use. Seasonal Outdoor Patios will also require enclosure by a temporary fence to add safety for patrons.

The Development Planning Department can support the Amendments identified in Attachments 2 and 3 and the proposed provisions in the Licensing By-law as they are consistent with the PPS, conform to the Growth Plan, YROP 2022 and VOP 2010, and will support economic development and resiliency while still protecting for public safety and site function through the use of the standards as noted above and identified in the proposed Licensing By-law. Minor modifications may be made to the draft amendments prior to the enactment of an implementing Zoning By-law, as required, should the Application be approved.

#### ***An amendment to Site Plan Control By-law 123-2013 is required to exempt Temporary Outdoor Patios from Site Plan Control***

Site Plan Control By-law 123-2013 designates the City as a Site Plan Control Area pursuant to Subsection 41(2) of the *Planning Act* and requires certain classes of development to be subject to Site Plan Control, including Outdoor Patios. An amendment to Site Plan Control By-law 123-2013 is required to exempt the Seasonal

Temporary Outdoor Patios from the provisions of Site Plan Control. A draft Site Plan Control amendment by-law is included as Attachment 4.

### **Financial Impact**

There are no requirements for new funding associated with this report.

### **Operational Impact**

#### ***Various City Departments have provided feedback to develop the proposed permissions for Seasonal Outdoor Patios***

The By-law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services Department, in consultation with the Development Planning, Building Standards, and Development Engineering Departments have developed the proposed provisions for Seasonal Outdoor Patios contained in their Licensing By-law. The Development Planning Department prepared the draft amending zoning by-laws included in Attachments 2 and 3 to add the definition of Seasonal Outdoor Patios and facilitate the application of the Licensing By-law. The permissions consider appropriate development standards which would enable an efficient permitting process to be implemented by the By-law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services Department.

### **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

There are no broader regional impacts or considerations associated with this report.

### **Conclusion**

The Development Planning Department is satisfied the Application is consistent with the PPS, conforms with the Growth Plan, YROP and VOP 2010, and provide appropriate development standards for the implementation of Seasonal Temporary Outdoor Patios. Accordingly, the Development Planning Department can recommend approval of the Application.

**For more information**, please contact Chris Cosentino, Senior Planner, at extension 8215.

### **Attachments**

1. Location Map.
2. Draft Zoning By-law 1-88 Amendment.
3. Draft Zoning By-law 001-2021 Amendment.
4. Draft Site Plan Control By-law Amendment.

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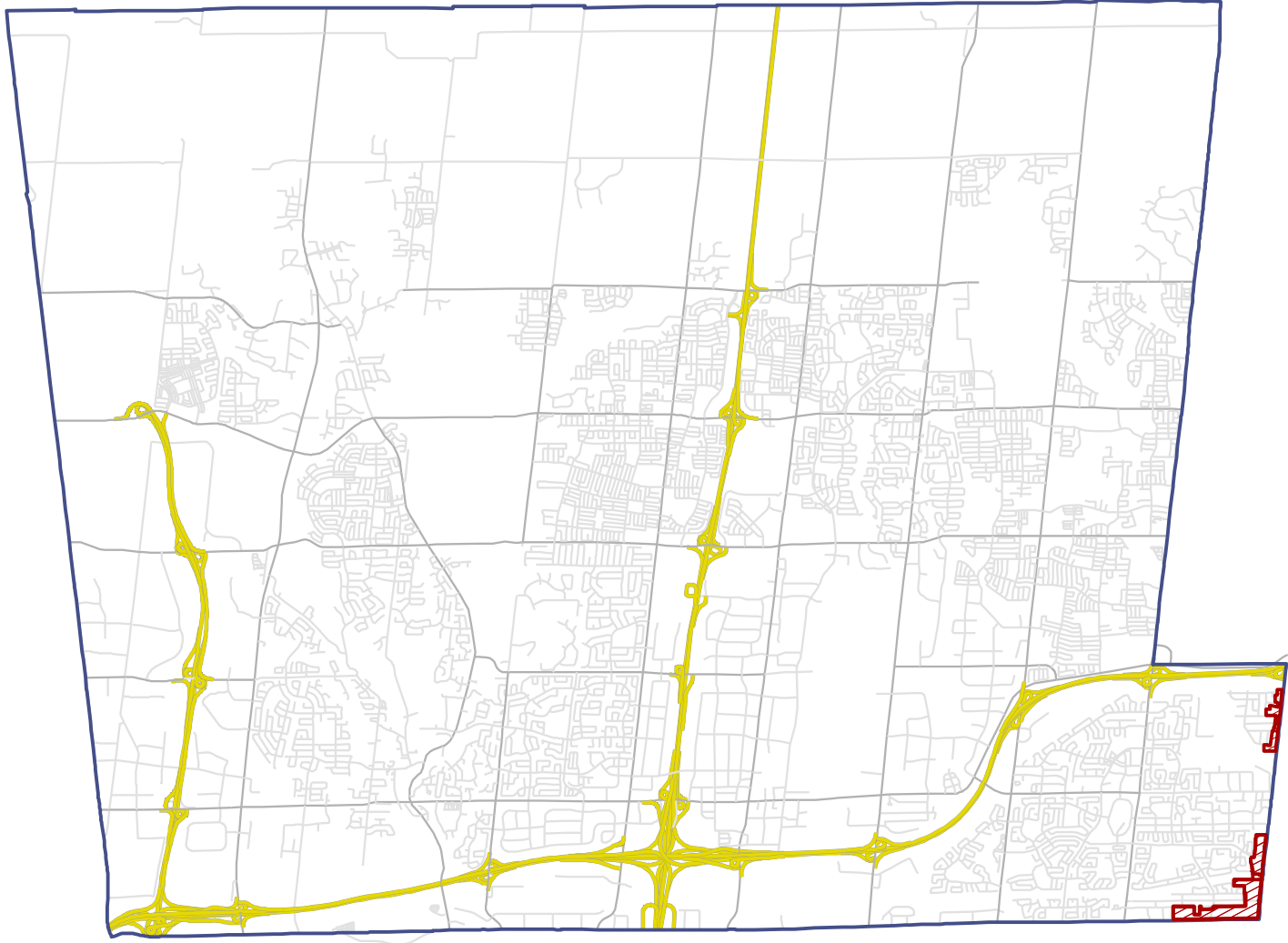
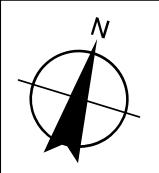




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Planning and Growth Management

**Reviewed by**



Nick Spensieri, City Manager



-  Lands Subject to Zoning By-law 1-88
-  Lands Subject to Zoning By-law 001-2021



# Lands Subject to Zoning By-law 001-2021



# Attachment

FILE:  
Z.23.028  
DATE:  
April 16, 2024

# 1



***THE CITY OF VAUGHAN***

***BY-LAW***

**BY-LAW NUMBER XXX-2024**

**A By-law to amend City of Vaughan By-law 1-88, as amended.**

**WHEREAS** the matters herein set out are in conformity with the Official Plan of the Vaughan Planning Area, which is approved and in force at this time;

**AND WHEREAS** there has been no amendment to the Vaughan Official Plan adopted by Council but not approved at this time, with which the matters herein set out are not in conformity;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That City of Vaughan By-law Number 1-88, as amended, be and it is hereby further amended by:
  - a) Adding the definition of “Seasonal Temporary Outdoor Patio” under Part 2.0, Definitions, Part 2.2, Vaughan Metropolitan Centre Definitions and Part 2.3, Carville Centre Definitions as follows:
 

**“Outdoor Patio, Seasonal:** Means a temporary area located at grade and outside of a building used for the accommodation of patrons of an Eating Establishment, Restaurant or Banquet Hall use.”
  - b) Renumbering paragraph “5.1.6 Outdoor Patio” to “5.1.6.1 Outdoor Patio”.
  - c) Adding a new paragraph 5.1.6.2 to Part “5.1 General Provisions” as follows:
 

**“5.1.6.2 Seasonal Outdoor Patio**

    1. A seasonal outdoor patio shall only be permitted as an accessory use to an “Eating Establishment”, “Convenience Eating Establishment”, “Convenience Eating Establishment with Drive-Through”, “Restaurant” or “Banquet Hall”, and shall only be subject to the City of Vaughan’s Seasonal Outdoor Patio Licensing By-law.



2. A seasonal outdoor patio may be permitted to occupy the minimum required parking spaces on the subject lands in which the seasonal outdoor patio is located, in accordance with the licensing by-law.
3. A parking space occupied with a seasonal outdoor patio shall continue to be included in the minimum parking requirements for the site.

Voted in favour by City of Vaughan Council this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2024.

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Steven Del Duca, Mayor

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Todd Coles, City Clerk

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Authorized by Item No. \_\_\_\_ of Report No. \_\_\_\_ of the Committee \_\_\_\_\_  
Report adopted by Vaughan City Council on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.  
City Council voted in favour of this by-law on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.  
Approved by Mayoral Decision MDC XXX-2023 dated \_\_\_\_\_.  
**Effective Date of By-Law: (Mayoral approval date)**

***THE CITY OF VAUGHAN***

***BY-LAW***

**BY-LAW NUMBER XXX-2024**

**A By-law to amend City of Vaughan By-law 001-2021, as amended.**

**WHEREAS** the matters herein set out are in conformity with the Official Plan of the Vaughan Planning Area, which is approved and in force at this time;

**AND WHEREAS** there has been no amendment to the Vaughan Official Plan adopted by Council but not approved at this time, with which the matters herein set out are not in conformity;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That City of Vaughan By-law Number 001-2021, as amended, be and it is hereby further amended by:
  - a) Adding the definition of “Seasonal Outdoor Patio” under Part 3.0 Definitions as follows:
 

**“Outdoor Patio, Seasonal:** Means a temporary area located at grade and outside of a building used for the accommodation of patrons of a Restaurant or Banquet Hall use.”
  - b) Amending “Table 4-1: Permitted Encroachments into Required Yards” by adding a new row titled “Seasonal Outdoor Patio” under the “Structure or Feature” category in alphabetical order as follows:

Structure or Feature	Required Yard	Permitted Encroachment into a Minimum Required Yard (m)
<u>Seasonal Outdoor Patio</u>	<u>Front yard, rear yard, interior side yard or exterior side yard</u>	Up to 0.0 from the <u>front lot line, rear lot line, interior side lot line or exterior side lot line</u>

- c) Renumbering paragraph “5.12 Outdoor Patio” to “5.12.1 Outdoor Patio”.
- d) Adding a new paragraph 5.12.2 to Part 5.0: Specific Use Permissions as follows:

“5.12.2 Seasonal Outdoor Patio

1. A seasonal outdoor patio shall only be permitted as an accessory use to a restaurant or banquet hall use and shall only be subject to the City of Vaughan’s Seasonal Outdoor Patio Licensing By-law.
2. A seasonal outdoor patio may be permitted to occupy the minimum required parking spaces on the subject lands in which the seasonal outdoor patio is located, in accordance with the licensing by-law.
3. A parking space occupied with a seasonal outdoor patio shall continue to be included in the minimum parking requirements for the site.

Voted in favour by City of Vaughan Council this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2024.

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***THE CITY OF VAUGHAN***

***BY-LAW***

**BY-LAW NUMBER XXX-2024**

**A By-law to amend By-law 123-2013, as amended by By-law 141-2022, the City of Vaughan’s Site Plan Control By-law, to exempt seasonal outdoor patios accessory to Restaurants and Banquet Halls from Site Plan Control.**

**WHEREAS** Subsection 41(2) of the *Planning Act* authorizes Council to enact a By-law to establish a Site Plan Control Area;

**AND WHEREAS** the whole of the City of Vaughan has been designated a Site Plan Control Area pursuant to Subsection 41(2) of the *Planning Act*,

**AND WHEREAS** it is deemed appropriate to adopt, by by-law, site development guidelines and rules for processing Site Development Applications;

**AND WHEREAS** The Corporation of the City of Vaughan considers it desirable to provide specific regulatory relief to the placement of “Seasonal Outdoor Patios” accessory to a “Restaurant” or “Banquet Hall” use;

**AND WHEREAS** it is appropriate to adopt, by by-law, classes of development that may be undertaken without the approval of plans and drawings otherwise required under Subsections 41(4) or (5) of the *Planning Act*,

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That City of Vaughan By-law Number 123-2013, as amended by By-law Number 141-2022, is hereby further amended as follows:
  - a) That the following be added to Section 5 as a class of development that may be undertaken without the approval of plans and drawings as otherwise required under Subsections 41(4) and 41(5) of the *Planning Act*.
    - “b) Seasonal Outdoor Patios and the temporary expansion of Outdoor Patios, both accessory to Restaurants and Banquet Halls.”

Voted in favour by City of Vaughan Council this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2024.

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## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE:** 2023 MUNICIPAL ASSUMPTION ACTIVITY REPORT

**FROM:**

Vince Musacchio, Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Development

**ACTION:** FOR INFORMATION

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**Purpose**

To provide a summary of municipal infrastructure delivered through the development approval process and growth-related projects that were assumed by the City of Vaughan during the period of January 2023 to December 2023.

**Report Highlights**

- 22.45 lane kilometres of road and associated sidewalk, curb and underground municipal infrastructure valued at approximately \$52.4 million were assumed by the City of Vaughan in 2023.
- Annual operating and maintenance costs associated with this additional infrastructure is estimated at \$1,549,410.
- Additional operating and maintenance costs to be funded from property taxes and water rates.

**Recommendation**

1. That this report be received for information.

**Background**

In January 2018, Council endorsed a streamlined process that facilitated the assumption of municipal services constructed through private land development and growth-related infrastructure projects. This new assumption process included the requirement for staff to prepare an annual summary report for Council's consideration. This annual summary report is to include infrastructure value, as well as operating and maintenance costs for municipal assets, assumed by the City during the preceding year.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

[Streamline Process for the Assumption of Municipal Services City-Wide  
2022 Municipal Assumption Activity Report](#)

## **Analysis and Options**

Between January 2023 to December 2023, the City of Vaughan assumed municipal services in 17 land development projects which included:

- 22.45 lane kilometres of roads
- 18.83 kilometres of sidewalk
- 18.49 kilometres of watermain
- 15.59 kilometres of sanitary sewer
- 13.50 kilometres of storm sewers
- 459 streetlights
- 3 stormwater management ponds

The location of these developments and details of the assumed municipal services are provided in Attachments 1 to 8 of this report.

## **Financial Impact**

The municipal infrastructure assumed by the City over the reporting period is valued at approximately \$52.4 million (Attachment No.1).

The estimated annual operating and maintenance costs of this additional infrastructure is approximately \$1,549,410. (Attachment No.2). In order to maintain this infrastructure to current service levels and regulatory requirements, these projected costs should be considered in future Public Works budgets, funded from property taxes and rates.

## **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

None.

## **Conclusion**

Since the implementation of the streamlined assumption process in March 2018, the City has received positive feedback from industry stakeholders. From January 2023 to December 2023, the City has assumed municipal services in 17 developments valued at approximately \$52.4 million. The annual operating and maintenance cost of this additional infrastructure is estimated at \$1,549,410.

**For more information**, please contact: Frank Suppa, Director of Development Engineering, ext. 8255.

**Attachments**

1. 2023 Assumption of Municipal Services
2. 2023 Maintenance Costs
3. 2023 City-Wide Assumption Map
4. 2023 Ward 1 Assumption Map
5. 2023 Ward 2 Assumption Map
6. 2023 Ward 3 Assumption Map
7. 2023 Ward 4 Assumption Map
8. 2023 Ward 5 Assumption Map

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Vince Musacchio  
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**Reviewed by**



Nick Spensieri, City Manager



Attachment 1 - 2023 ASSUMPTION OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Subdivision	19T-	65M	Ward	Blk	ET	Memo to Council	Council Mtg	By-law #	Watermain		Sanitary Sewers		Storm Sewer		Roads	Lane (KM)	Street lights	Sidewalks		Curb	
									Value	(M)	Value	(M)	Value	(M)	(Value)	Value	(M)	Value	(M)		
Humber Trails Neighbourhood Subdivision Ph 2 (Partial 1)	19T-05V10	65M-4529	1	61	LL	22/03/23	25/04/23	042-2023	\$ 360,500	924	\$ 259,650	893.5	\$ 605,870	906.4	\$ 670,540	1.878	24	\$ 42,942.90	507	\$ 87,972.64	1832
Pinestaff Development Subdivision - Ph 2	19T-10V005	65M-4564	1	61	LL	22/03/23	25/04/23	043-2023	\$ 247,310	559	\$ 220,760	567	\$ 789,050	494	\$ 632,630	1.172	16	\$ 64,220.44	823.339	\$ 55,780.27	1162.08
Corstate Industrial Subdivision Phase 3	19T-88028	65M-3537	1	31	KW	17/05/23	20/06/23	064-2023	\$ 57,230	135	\$ 54,310	135	\$ 213,270	135	\$ 89,090	0.135	4	\$ 10,605.00	135	\$ 23,520.00	270
Monarch Castlepoint Kipling North Subdivision Phase 1 - Partial 1	19T-13V009	65M-4557	1	55	LL	17/05/23	20/06/23	069-2023	\$ 962,540	3499.5	\$ 965,830	1974.8	\$ 2,155,550.00	2109.6	\$ 2,314,270	4.6	71	\$ 375,856.89	4146.7	\$ 288,855.19	5524.1
Monarch Castlepoint Kipling North Subdivision Phase 2 - Partial 2A	19T-13V009	65M-4604	1	55	LL	17/05/23	20/06/23	070-2023	\$ 318,600	444	\$ 447,630	393.1	\$ 738,200	387.7	\$ 921,760	0.868	12	\$ 39,183.19	419.7	\$ 42,988.28	840.6
Monarch Castlepoint Kipling South Subdivision Phase 1 - Partial 1	19T-13V008	65M-4558	1	55	LL	17/05/23	20/06/23	071-2023	\$ 789,940	2947.6	\$ 650,960	833.5	\$ 1,592,020	944.2	\$ 1,616,230	1.883	50	\$ 286,821.22	3164.4	\$ 187,083.16	3577.8
Monarch Castlepoint Kipling South Subdivision Phase 2 - Partial 2A	19T-13V008	65M-4607	1	55	LL	17/05/23	20/06/23	072-2023	\$ 179,330	487	\$ 146,920	385.5	\$ 316,350	319.2	\$ 406,030	0.839	12	\$ 42,852.24	459	\$ 37,332.20	730
Molise Kleinburg Estates Subdivision Phase 2A - Partial 2	19T-06V14	65M-4361	1	61	LL	17/05/23	20/06/23	066-2023	\$ 571,220	1415	\$ 362,110	1307	\$ 976,830	1342.7	\$ 1,284,980	2.656	44	\$ 159,227.40	2,062.20	\$ 116,302.50	2584.5
Molise Kleinburg Estates Subdivision Phase 2B	19T-06V14	65M-4460	1	61	LL	17/05/23	20/06/23	067-2023	\$ 196,370	571	\$ 160,470	435.7	\$ 238,280	432.9	\$ 464,850	1.16	17	\$ 79,673.80	920.3	\$ 53,803.67	1030
Molise Kleinburg Estates Subdivision Phase 2C	19T-06V14	65M-4508	1	61	LL	17/05/23	20/06/23	068-2023	\$ 195,140	425	\$ 160,910	425.3	\$ 338,680	498.4	\$ 471,740	0.904	16	\$ 47,390.94	466.7	\$ 46,861.32	864.6
Kleinburg North Spine Services Agreement (Partial 1)	N/A	N/A	1	62	LL	20/09/23	17/10/23	162-2023	\$ 418,200	571.68	\$ 1,416,400	2563.64	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Picard 20 Royal Gate, External Servicing	N/A	N/A	2	50	LL	15/11/23	12/12/23	195-2023	\$ 24,650	25	\$ 206,550	106.7	\$ 39,000	14.4	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Parktrail Industrial Subdivision	19T-99V01	65M-3692	4	31	KW	12/04/23	16/05/23	049-2023	\$ 88,530	420	\$ 74,180	377.4	\$ 296,100	335.3	\$ 288,630	0.42	13	\$ 30,475.00	420	\$ 85,345.00	840
Andridge Homes Subdivision Phase 3	19T-99V08	65M-4506	4	12	KW	17/05/23	20/06/23	063-2023	\$ 187,290	651	\$ 191,260	848	\$ 768,160	897.6	\$ 392,310	0.667	19	\$ 10,089.13	100.7	\$ 63,612.60	1311.6
Longyard Residential Subdivision Phase 1	19T-03V13	65M-4425	4	12	KW	17/05/23	20/06/23	065-2023	\$ 2,151,030	4760	\$ 4,042,260	4088	\$ 7,413,400.00	4421	\$ 5,814,700	4.663	150	\$ 386,036.16	4934	\$ 642,781.76	8605
Dufferin Ridge (ARH) Subdivision	19T-11V002	65M-4363	4	17	KW	15/11/23	12/12/23	196-2023	\$ 136,500	511.81	\$ 232,390	110.5	\$ 301,250	110	\$ 105,960	0.3	1	\$ 12,729.60	106.08	\$ 26,724.00	222.7
Ruland Properties Residential Subdivision	19T-89025	65M-3447	5	2	KW	23/08/23	26/09/23	139-2023	\$ 25,400	147	\$ 30,100	150.7	\$ 123,260	156.5	\$ 66,800	0.3	3	\$ 20,625.00	165	\$ 38,500.00	308
<b>Total by Category</b>									<b>\$ 6,909,780.00</b>	<b>18493.59</b>	<b>\$ 9,622,690.00</b>	<b>15595.34</b>	<b>\$ 16,905,270.00</b>	<b>13504.9</b>	<b>\$ 15,540,520.00</b>	<b>22.445</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>\$ 1,608,728.91</b>	<b>18830.119</b>	<b>\$ 1,797,462.59</b>	<b>29702.98</b>





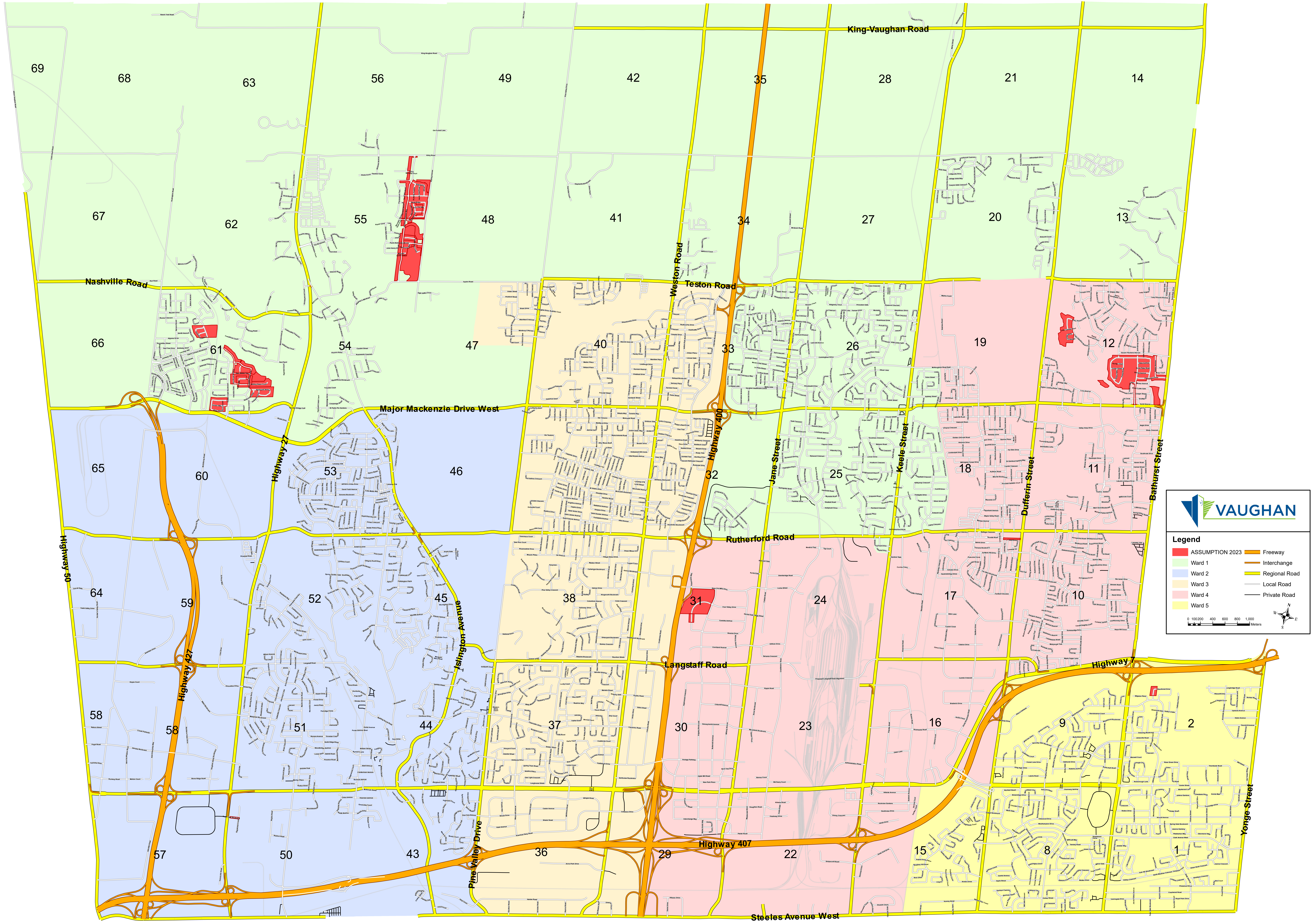
**Attachment 2 - MAINTENANCE COSTS**

Subdivision	19T-	65M	Ward	Blk	Council Date	By-law #	Watermain	Sanitary Sewers	Storm Sewers	Roads	Streetscaping Landscaping & Trees	Street Lighting	SWMP	Wastewater Pumping Station	GRAND TOTAL
Humber Trails Neighbourhood Subdivision Ph 2 (Partial 1)	19T-05V10	65M-4529	1	61	25/04/23	042-2023	\$ 9,080.00	\$ 7,890.00	\$ 6,720.00	\$ 25,770.00	\$ 890.00	\$ 2,880.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 53,230.00
Pinestaff Development Subdivision - Ph 2	19T-10V005	65M-4564	1	61	25/04/23	043-2023	\$ 11,620.00	\$ 9,490.00	\$ 7,730.00	\$ 15,370.00	\$ 2,950.00	\$ 1,920.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 49,080.00
Corstate Industrial Subdivision Phase 3	19T-88028	65M-3537	1	31	20-Jun-23	064-2023	\$ 1,330.00	\$ 1,190.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 480.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 9,950.00
Monarch Castlepoint Kipling North Subdivision Phase 1 - Partial 1	19T-13V009	65M-4557	1	55	20-Jun-23	069-2023	\$ 34,400.00	\$ 17,440.00	\$ 15,630.00	\$ 63,120.00	\$ 21,790.00	\$ 8,520.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 160,900.00
Monarch Castlepoint Kipling North Subdivision Phase 2 - Partial 2A	19T-13V009	65M-4604	1	55	20-Jun-23	070-2023	\$ 4,360.00	\$ 3,470.00	\$ 2,870.00	\$ 11,920.00	\$ 4,150.00	\$ 1,440.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 28,210.00
Monarch Castlepoint Kipling South Subdivision Phase 1 - Partial 1	19T-13V008	65M-4558	1	55	20-Jun-23	071-2023	\$ 28,970.00	\$ 7,360.00	\$ 9,470.00	\$ 25,840.00	\$ 15,660.00	\$ 6,000.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 93,300.00
Monarch Castlepoint Kipling South Subdivision Phase 2 - Partial 2A	19T-13V008	65M-4607	1	55	20-Jun-23	072-2023	\$ 4,790.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 2,370.00	\$ 11,520.00	\$ 2,870.00	\$ 1,440.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 26,390.00
Molise Kleinburg Estates Subdivision Phase 2A - Partial 2	19T-06V14	65M-4361	1	61	20-Jun-23	066-2023	\$ 13,910.00	\$ 11,540.00	\$ 9,950.00	\$ 36,440.00	\$ 16,980.00	\$ 5,280.00	\$ 160,590.00	N/A	\$ 254,690.00
Molise Kleinburg Estates Subdivision Phase 2B	19T-06V14	65M-4460	1	61	20-Jun-23	067-2023	\$ 5,610.00	\$ 3,850.00	\$ 3,210.00	\$ 15,920.00	\$ 4,920.00	\$ 2,040.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 35,550.00
Molise Kleinburg Estates Subdivision Phase 2C	19T-06V14	65M-4508	1	61	20-Jun-23	068-2023	\$ 4,180.00	\$ 3,760.00	\$ 3,690.00	\$ 12,400.00	\$ 4,540.00	\$ 1,920.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 30,490.00
Kleinburg North Spine Services Agreement Partial 1	N/A	N/A	1	62	17-Oct-23	162-2023	\$ 5,620.00	\$ 22,640.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,510.00	\$ 840.00	N/A	\$ 65,400.00	\$ 106,010.00
Picard 20 Royal Gate, External Servicing	N/A	N/A	2	50	12-Dec-23	195-2023	\$ 250.00	\$ 940.00	\$ 110.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	N/A	N/A	\$ 1,300.00
Parktrail Industrial Subdivision	19T-99V01	65M-3692	4	31	16-May-23	049-2023	\$ 4,130.00	\$ 3,710.00	\$ 3,110.00	\$ 11,520.00	\$ 2,290.00	\$ 1,560.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 26,320.00
Andridge Homes Subdivision Phase 3	19T-99V08	65M-4506	4	12	20-Jun-23	063-2023	\$ 6,560.00	\$ 5,890.00	\$ 4,940.00	\$ 18,300.00	\$ 5,780.00	\$ 2,280.00	\$ 47,250.00	N/A	\$ 91,000.00
Longyard Residential Subdivision Phase 1	19T-03V13	65M-4425	4	12	20-Jun-23	065-2023	\$ 45,830.00	\$ 41,170.00	\$ 34,550.00	\$ 127,950.00	\$ 61,020.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 238,430.00	N/A	\$ 566,950.00
Dufferin Ridge (ARH) Subdivision	19T-11V002	65M-4363	4	17	12-Dec-23	196-2023	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 970.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,550.00	\$ 120.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 6,540.00
Ruland Properties Residential Subdivision	19T-89025	65M-3447	5	2	26-Sep-23	139-2023	\$ 1,470.00	\$ 1,320.00	\$ 1,110.00	\$ 4,120.00	\$ 1,120.00	\$ 360.00	N/A	N/A	\$ 9,500.00
<b>TOTAL MAINTENANCE COST BY CATEGORY</b>							<b>\$ 184,710.00</b>	<b>\$ 146,030.00</b>	<b>\$ 107,460.00</b>	<b>\$ 384,190.00</b>	<b>\$ 160,270.00</b>	<b>\$ 55,080.00</b>	<b>\$ 446,270.00</b>	<b>\$ 65,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,549,410.00</b>





# Attachment 3 - City Wide Assumption Map



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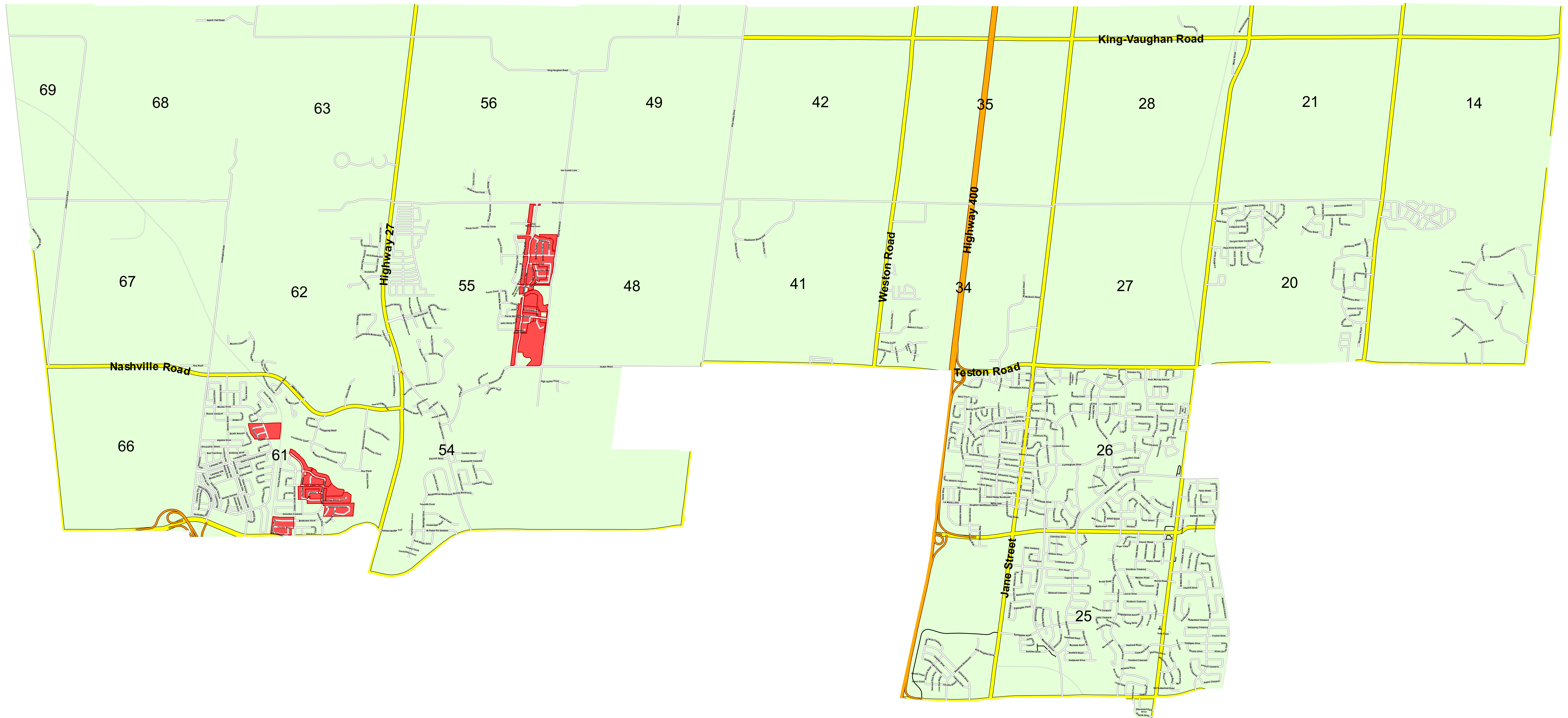
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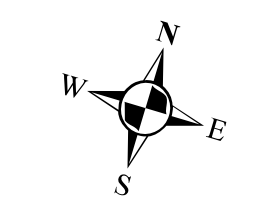
# Attachment 4 - 2023 Ward 1 Assumption Map



**VAUGHAN**

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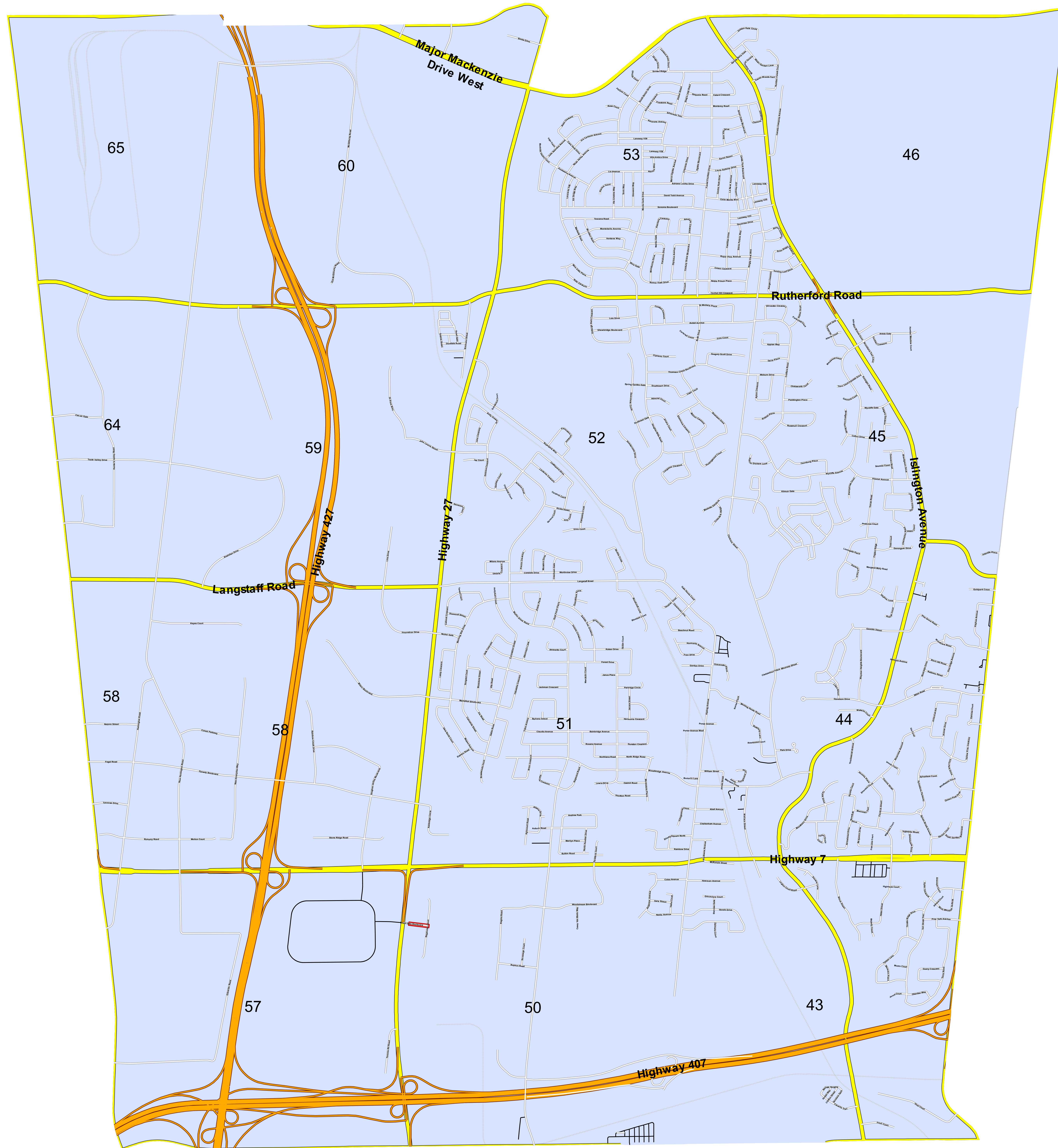








# Attachment 5 - 2023 Ward 2 Assumption Map




**Legend**

ASSUMPTION 2023	Freeway
Ward 1	Interchange
Ward 2	Regional Road
Ward 3	Local Road
Ward 4	Private Road
Ward 5	



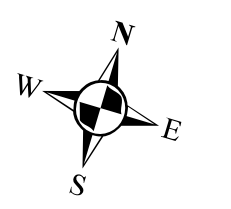


# Attachment 6 - 2023 Ward 3 Assumption Map

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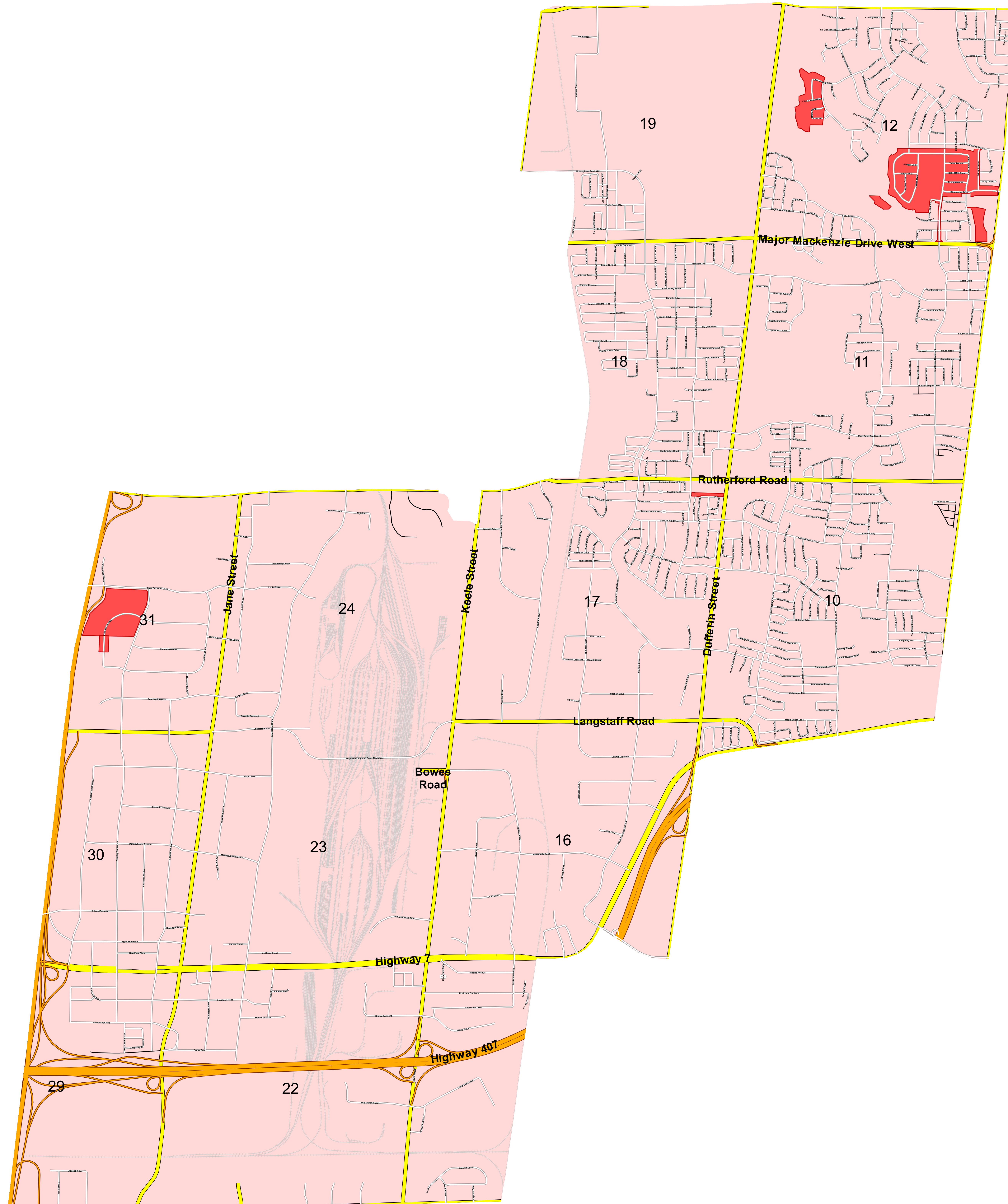
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# Attachment 7 - 2023 Ward 4 Assumption Map



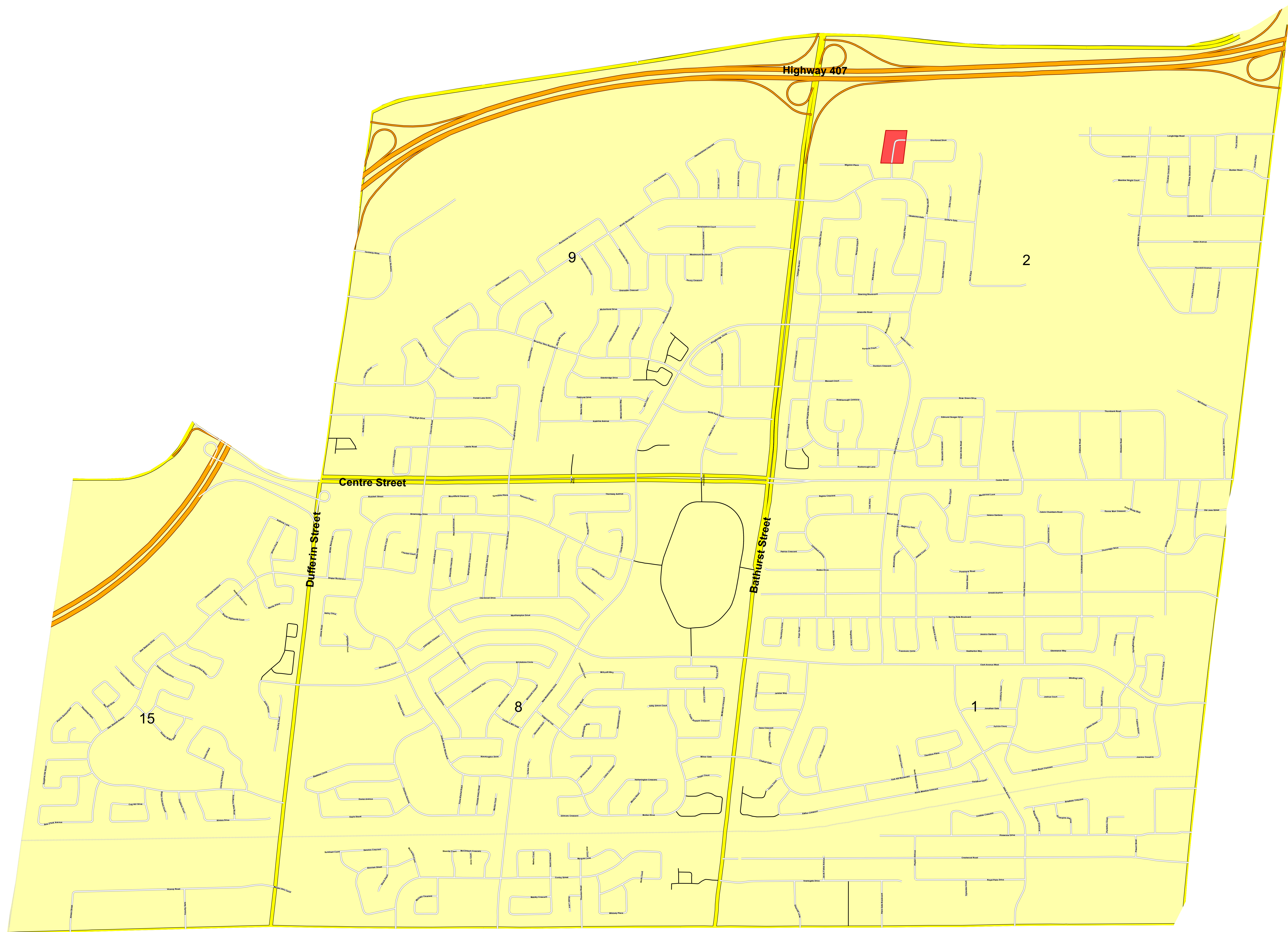
**Legend**

ASSUMPTION 2023	Freeway
Ward 1	Interchange
Ward 2	Regional Road
Ward 3	Local Road
Ward 4	Private Road
Ward 5	





# Attachment 8 - 2023 Ward 5 Assumption Map



**VAUGHAN**

**Legend**

ASSUMPTION 2023	Freeway
Ward 1	Interchange
Ward 2	Regional Road
Ward 3	Local Road
Ward 4	Private Road
Ward 5	





## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE:** SNOW TUBING AND WINTER RECREATION AT NORTH MAPLE REGIONAL PARK UPDATE APRIL 2024

**FROM:**

Vince Musacchio, Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Development

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

To seek approval to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements related to the public-private partnership with Gateway Parks Group (GPG) to provide and operate a snow tubing and winter recreation facility at North Maple Regional Park (NMRP).

**Report Highlights**

- In February 2023, Council received an update on the NMRP Program and a deputation from GPG presenting an interest in developing and operating snow tubing and other winter recreation activities at NMRP.
- Council directed staff to meet with GPG to explore the potential of this opportunity, as well as explore alternative vendors to ensure competitive partnership opportunities.
- In April 2023, a formal Request for Expression of Interest (RFEOI) process was issued by Procurement Services with GPG the only Respondent to this process.
- Based on the results of the RFEOI process, in June 2023 Council supported continuing discussions with GPG to explore terms of an agreement.
- Through consultation with internal departments and verifying the specifications of the site and conducting financial analysis, staff recommend proceeding with a public-private partnership for GPG to design, build, operate and maintain a snow tubing area and associated winter recreation facilities at NMRP.

## **Recommendation**

1. That the Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Development be directed to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements related to the public-private partnership with Gateway Parks Group (GPG) in a form satisfactory to Legal Services, where GPG will provide and operate snow tubing and winter recreation facilities at North Maple Regional Park (NMRP) in a manner consistent with the proposal outlined in this report.

## **Background**

### **An RFEOI was issued in April 2023 for snow tubing at NMRP resulting in a proposal from Gateway Parks for a public-private partnership**

At the February 14, 2023, Committee of the Whole (2) meeting, the City received a deputation from GPG with an interest in providing snow tubing and winter recreation activities at NMRP. Council directed staff to meet with GPG to explore the potential of developing a public-private partnership for snow tubing and other winter recreation activities, as well as explore alternative vendors to ensure competitive partnership opportunities.

GPG is a progressive snow tubing and winter recreational vendor with over 13 years of experience in Ontario and parts of the United States. The City's vision for NMRP aligns with the vendor's goal of providing a local, affordable outdoor experience while enjoying amenities found at world-class resorts.

Following Council direction, staff met with GPG, as well as issued an RFEOI with Procurement Services in April 2023 to help identify the current market interest of potential vendors for providing winter recreational services at NMRP. Based on the results of the RFEOI process, with only one (1) bid received from GPG, staff continued discussions with GPG to explore their ideas and development plans in more detail, and to develop draft terms of an agreement for them to design, build, operate and maintain snowtubing and associated winter recreation uses on a portion of lands at NMRP.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

[North Maple Regional Park Program Update February 2023](#), Item 7, Report No. 9 of the Committee of the Whole (2), February 14, 2023

[Gateway Parks Proposal](#), Communication: C5 Committee of the Whole (2), Item 7, Report No.9, February 14, 2023

[Snow Tubing and Winter Recreation at North Maple Regional Park](#), Item 15, Report No. 28 of the Committee of the Whole (2) June 6, 2023

## **Analysis and Options**

### **City staff continue to meet with Gateway Parks to understand key considerations in servicing requirements, community benefits and agreement terms**

Since February 2023, staff facilitated meetings with GPG to understand servicing requirements, and to work through various aspects and draft terms of a potential public-private partnership agreement for the creation, maintenance, and operation of a winter recreation area. Key considerations for snow tubing operations and related uses are the need for adequate power and water supply source for snowmaking. Staff has ensured that these requirements have been met. Staff have also collaborated with Finance, Recreation Services, Facilities Management and Parks Operations staff to conduct further analysis to understand the financial and operational implications.

In April 2024, staff presented a summary of information and key details to the City's Senior Executive Leadership Team. Based on the status of the above discussions and coordination, staff are recommending that they be directed to negotiate and execute agreements with GPG to reflect the proposed partnership.

#### **Key Highlights of GPG's Terms include, but are not limited to:**

- Minimum 10-year agreement with a mutual opt-out clause after year two; due to their initial significant capital investment GPG will be exempt from paying any fees to the City for the first two years of operations.
- Operating costs will be fully compensated by GPG, including all utilities. As part of the arrangement, no operating costs specific to the snow tubing operation and amenities will be incurred by the City.
- GPG promises remediation of lands to its original condition after each snow tubing season for return to normal park usage in the Spring. The typical tubing season runs from November to March.
- Starting in the third year of operations, GPG will engage in a tiered revenue-sharing model with the City and provide audited financial statements annually to ensure accuracy and transparency.
- In addition, GPG shall manufacture snow, construct and maintain the complimentary, unsupervised park toboggan area according to City specifications.

#### **Community Benefits**

- Provides unique, affordable, local winter recreation experiences, activities and facilities regardless of weather conditions from November to March.

- Access to additional facilities and amenities at NMRP that include gathering spaces and warming and viewing areas, concessions, and washrooms.
- Further excitement generated and community interest in NMRP, significantly increasing the number of park visitors and their enjoyment during winter season.

**Other considerations include:**

- Insurance and liability: GPG indemnifies the City and is responsible for all guests within the perimeter of the snow tubing operation and associated amenities.
- Any additional potential infrastructure enhancements, upgrades or services required to facilitate GPG operations in excess of the current service levels (currently serviced land) is the financial responsibility of GPG.
- Depending on success of this arrangement, potential opportunities for other winter programming can be explored in the future, such as skating, snowshoeing and cross-county skiing.

**Procurement Policy**

The City’s Procurement Policy provides that public private partnerships that meet the requirements of the Policy still require the approval of Council. In this case, Staff have applied the criteria for other non-competitive procurements, found at Schedule A to the policy. Given the revenue-sharing terms proposed by GPG, detailed below, and the special knowledge, skills and expertise required, as well as the prior Request for Expression of Interest results, the Director of Procurement Services is satisfied that this public private partnership will result in Best Value for the City.

**Legal Agreements**

Staff will work with Legal Services to identify the appropriate legal form of agreement needed. Based on early conversations, terms related to license, operations & maintenance, and revenue-sharing will need to be captured. Staff seek flexibility in the recommendation to allow Legal Services to determine whether one comprehensive agreement or several corollary agreements are best.

**Financial Impact**

**The proposed Revenue-Sharing Model detailed below identifies no anticipated cost to the City**

Capital costs for equipment and related components of the snow tubing development and supporting amenities will be the full responsibility of GPG. As part of the agreement, operating costs will be fully compensated by GPG, including all utilities. No operating



costs specific to the snow tubing operation and other provided amenities will be incurred by the City.

Starting in the third year of operations, GPG will engage in a tiered revenue-sharing model with the City, provision of audited financial statements annually to ensure accuracy and transparency. City revenue projections are based on high/mid/low attendance rates from similar GPG facilities and does not include potential added revenue stream from concessions.

**Proposed Tiered Revenue-Sharing Model**

GPG Gross Income	Up to \$500K	\$500K to \$1M	Over \$1M
City Share	3%	4%	5%

**City Revenue Projections Over 10-year Term**

Low	Mid	High
\$104,833	\$262,083	\$436,806

**Operational Impact**

GPG assumes all responsibility within the perimeter of their operations. There are no immediate operational impacts associated with the recommendations of this report. Staff currently feel that the GPG proposal will not require any additional investment by the City but will monitor the operation as it matures. Communication and collaboration with affected operating departments will occur regularly throughout this project and financial implications will be identified as required for consideration in future budget submissions.

**Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

Completion of the NMRP project involves regular discussion and coordination with various external agencies and stakeholders, including communication plans and potential funding announcements.

**Conclusion**

Staff are seeking Council approval to finalize and execute a public-private partnership agreement with GPG. Subject to approval to proceed, GPG can initiate coordination as early as May 2024 to prepare and be operational for winter 2024/2025.

**For more information**, please contact: Jamie Bronsema, Director, Parks Infrastructure Planning & Development, ext. 8858.

**Attachment**

1. North Maple Regional Park Proposed Snow Tubing Site.

**Prepared by**

Jennifer Cappola-Logullo, Manager, NMRP Program, ext. 8433.

Mike Menary, Project Leader, Partnerships & Infrastructure Financing, Financial Planning and Development Finance, ext. 8186.

Jamie Bronsema, Director, Parks Infrastructure Planning and Development, ext. 8858.

**Approved by**



Vince Musacchio, DCM  
Infrastructure Development

**Reviewed by**



Nick Spensieri, City Manager







## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD:** 5

**TITLE:** REPEAL OF ROAD DESIGNATION BY-LAW 173-2004  
REGARDING PORTION OF LANDS ADJACENT TO YONGE  
STREET NORTH OF CRESTWOOD ROAD

**FROM:**

Vince Musacchio, Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Development

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

To seek Council approval to repeal By-law 173-2004, which designated a small portion of lands adjacent to Yonge Street north of Crestwood Road as road, and the related stop up and close By-law 014-2024, in order to facilitate the transfer of that portion of lands to York Region to form part of Yonge Street and to facilitate the Yonge North Subway Extension.

**Report Highlights**

- In 2004, the City passed By-law 173-2004, which designed a small portion of Lands measuring 159 square meters as being part of Yonge Street located north of Crestwood Road.
- In 2023, York Region requested the Lands to be conveyed to it for purposes of facilitating the Yonge North Subway Extension and to reflect York Region's ownership and jurisdiction over Yonge Street.
- On December 12, 2023, City Council declared the Lands surplus and authorized the conveyance of the Lands to York Region.
- York Region requires the City to repeal By-law 173-2004 in order to facilitate the conveyance of the Lands for purposes of the subway extension.

## **Recommendations**

1. THAT Council repeal By-law 173-2004 which designated the lands situated within the City of Vaughan, Regional Municipality of York, being a portion of the lands located north of Crestwood Road, legally described as Part of Lots 1 to 6, Plan 3205, designated as Part 2 on Reference Plan 64R-7570, being all of PIN 03248-0627 (LT) as public highway (the “Lands”); and
2. THAT Council repeal By-law 014-2024 which stopped up and closed the Lands as part of the public highway.

## **Background**

In 2004 the City of Vaughan enacted By-law 173-2004 which designed a small portion of lands located north of Crestwood Road, legally described as Part of Lots 1 to 6, Plan 3205, designated as Part 2 on Reference Plan 64R-7570, being all of PIN 03248-0627 (LT) as public highway and part of Yonge Street (the “**Lands**”). The Lands comprise a total area of 159 square meters as shown on **Attachment 1**.

The Regional Municipality of York (the “**York Region**”) has jurisdiction over Yonge Street. In 2023 York Region requested the City convey the Lands to the Region to facilitate the Yonge North Subway Extension project (the “**YNSE**”), which will extend the existing TTC Line 1 service approximately eight kilometers north from Finch Station to Vaughan, Markham and Richmond Hill and includes the construction of five new subway stations along these municipalities.

On December 12, 2023, the City declared the Lands Surplus and authorized the conveyance of the Lands to York Region, for nominal consideration. In addition, on January 30, 2024 the City passed By-law 014-2024 to stop up and close the Lands, which had been designated road by the City in 2004, as noted above.

York Region has informed the City that it is unable to accept the transfer of the Lands to facilitate the subway extension unless and until By-law 173-2004 which designated the Lands as road is repealed. Region staff have confirmed that the Surplus Lands will be dedicated as regional public highway upon completion of the transaction.

Accordingly, in order to facilitate the conveyance of the Lands for the purpose of the YNSE, this Report requests that Council repeal By-law 173-2004, and accordingly also repeal the stop up and close by-law 014-2024.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

[Extract - CW \(Closed Session\) Report 53, Item 2, Council December 12, 2023.](#)

## **Analysis and Options**

As noted above, Council approved the conveyance of the Lands to York Region for nominal consideration on December 12, 2023 to facilitate the YNSE and to reflect York Region's jurisdiction over Yonge Street. York Region requires that By-law 173-2004 which designated the Lands as road be repealed prior to the transfer of the Lands to York Region. Accordingly, Staff recommend that By-law 173-2004 and By-law 014-2024 be repealed so the transfer of the Lands may be completed.

## **Financial Impact**

N/A

## **Operational Impact**

N/A

## **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

The lands are required for the planned Yonge North Subway Extension initiative.

## **Conclusion**

Staff recommend that Council approve the repeal of By-law 173-2004 and By-law 014-2024 in order to facilitate the conveyance of the Lands to York Region as approved by Council on December 12, 2023 for the purposes of the YNSE.

**For more information**, please contact: Paul Salerno, Director, Real Estate, ext. 8473.

## **Attachment**

1. Location Map.

## **Prepared by**

Diana Soos, Director of Legal Services and Deputy City Solicitor, ext. 8125.

Dino Macchiusi, Senior Manager, Real Estate, ext. 8489.

Paul Salerno, Director, Real Estate ext. 8473.

**Approved by**



Vince Musacchio, Deputy City Manager,  
Infrastructure Development

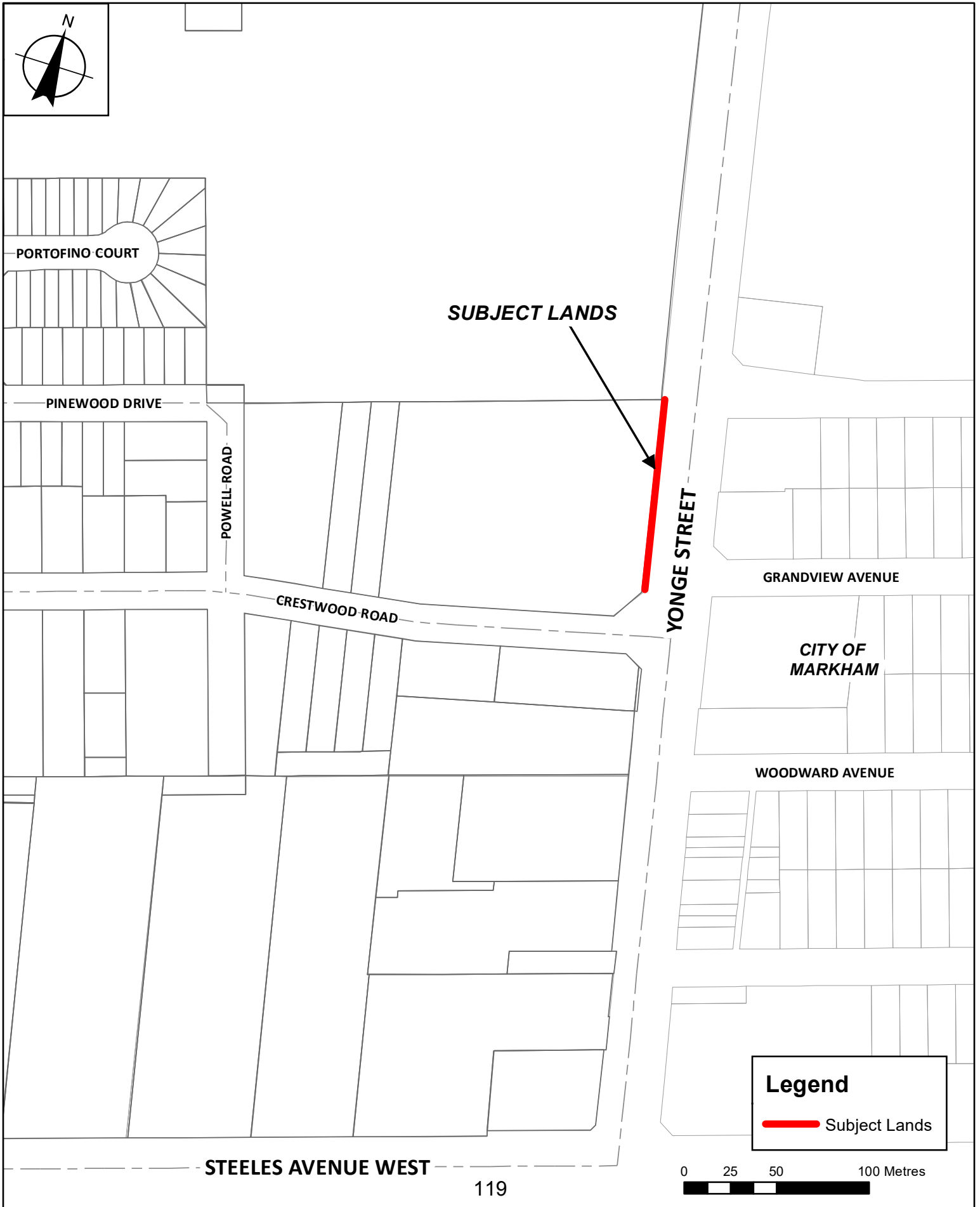
**Reviewed by**



Nick Spensieri, City Manager



# LOCATION MAP





## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE:** AMENDMENTS TO NIGHT CLUB AND LOUNGE LICENSING PROVISIONS

**FROM:**

Gus Michaels, Deputy City Manager, Community Services

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

Staff are proposing amendments to the City's Business Licensing By-law to add regulatory requirements for night clubs and lounges, and to align certain requirements with the City's new Zoning By-law.

**Report Highlights**

- On June 30, 2023, all businesses defined as night clubs, lounges and pubs were required to meet respective requirements under the City's Business Licensing By-law.
- Staff are proposing language in the Business Licensing By-law to ensure alignment between licensing provisions and the City's new Zoning By-law. Staff are also proposing a series of additional licensing requirements for night clubs and existing lounges.

**Recommendations**

1. THAT Council approve amending the Business Licensing By-law by clarifying that where a night club intends to also operate as an eating establishment/restaurant, subject to licensing provisions, such ancillary use must be permitted under the City's Zoning By-law, as amended;
2. THAT Council approve amending the Business Licensing By-law by adding the following requirements for all night clubs and lounges:
  - (a) That upon application, or renewal if not previously provided, a letter from the property owner or authorized property manager be provided stating that the

- business has been or will be allowed to operate in accordance with the applicable lease/rental agreement;
- (b) That upon application and renewal, proof be provided in a manner satisfactory to the Chief Licensing Officer of a valid certificate of general commercial liability insurance, in the amount of at least \$2,000,000; and
  - (c) That upon request from the Chief Licensing Officer, a copy of the executed lease for the property upon which the business operates be provided.

## **Background**

On November 29, 2022, Council approved staff's recommendations to introduce new categories of licences for night clubs, lounges and pubs, in addition to those for other types of eating establishments. To date, the City has issued 4 lounge licences, 2 pub licences and no night club licences.

Since the introduction of the night club, lounge, and pub provisions to the Business Licensing By-law, staff have observed that the Business Licensing By-law would benefit from enhanced clarity in certain areas. For instance, although the Business Licensing By-law does provide for the Chief Licensing Officer to require any other information she or he deems appropriate in the course of issuing a licence or renewing a licence, staff believe that it is more transparent to include specific provisions where the need is universal.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

Regulation of Lounges / Night Clubs ([Committee of the Whole Item 10, Report No. 38.](#)), approved by Council on November 29, 2022.

## **Analysis and Options**

Under current Business Licensing By-law provisions, night clubs and lounges are required to comply with significantly more stringent requirements, including safety, security and nuisance mitigation requirements. However, night club and lounge owners have the ability to also operate as restaurants when not operating as night clubs or lounges. When operating as restaurants the more stringent requirements need not be in place. In order to avoid any confusion on the matter, owners of night clubs and lounges must file with the Licensing Office the days and times that they intend to operate as a restaurant. During those times they may operate under the same rules as restaurants (as long as they do not carry out any activity that would otherwise be associated with the operation of a night club or lounge).

In order to be as transparent as possible, staff are recommending clarifying language that stipulates that restaurant endorsements for night clubs are only obtainable in areas of the city where such a use is permitted under the City's Zoning By-law. Lounges do



not need this additional requirement, as they must, as part of their initial licensing, meet the definition of eating establishment under Zoning.

To mitigate potential conflicts between landlords and commercial tenants that are or plan to operate a night club or a lounge, staff are recommending that all licence applicants and licence holders provide a letter from the property owner or authorized property manager stating that the business, as it operates or intends to operate is permitted as per the lease or rental agreement in effect. Where deemed appropriate by the Chief Licensing Officer, this requirement could be supplemented by further requiring the applicant or licensee to furnish the Licensing Office with a copy of the executed lease agreement. The provision of a letter of authorization already exists for other licence categories, most notably short-term rentals.

Finally, to address any potential issues of proper insurance coverage, staff are recommending that proof be provided of a minimum of \$2,000,000 coverage through a commercial general liability policy. This requirement already exists as well for numerous business licensees.

### **Financial Impact**

There are no anticipated financial implications to the City's budget as a result of the recommendations of this report.

### **Operational Impact**

There are no material implications to other City departments as a result of the recommendations of this report.

This report was prepared in consultation with Legal Services.

### **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

There are no broader regional impact or considerations as a result of the recommendations of this report.

### **Conclusion**

Since the introduction of the night club and lounge licence categories, staff have identified opportunities for greater clarity and transparency in the Business Licensing By-law, including clarifying eligibility for eating establishment endorsements, and requirements for letters of authorization and proof of insurance. Staff believe that these amendments will assist further in mitigating nuisances issues and ensuring compliance.

**For more information,** Susan Kelly, Director and Chief Licensing Officer, By-law & Compliance, Licensing & Permit Services, ext. 8952.

**Attachments**

N/a

**Prepared by**

Rudi Czekalla-Martinez, Manager, Policy & Business Planning, ext. 8782.

**Approved by**



Gus Michaels, Deputy City Manager,  
Community Services

**Reviewed by**



Nick Spensieri, City Manager

## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE:** SEASONAL OUTDOOR PATIO LICENCE

**FROM:**

Gus Michaels, Deputy City Manager, Community Services

**ACTION:** DECISION

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### **Purpose**

To seek approval from Council to create a licensing endorsement to permit licensed eating establishments and banquet halls to erect and operate seasonal outdoor patios from April 1 to November 1, in support of the local hospitality industry.

### **Report Highlights**

- Following the emergency declaration in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, on June 29, 2020, Council approved a regulatory framework to allow eating establishments and banquet halls to erect temporary outdoor patios.
- As the pandemic and accompanying emergency measures continued to impact the local hospitality industry, and due to the successful implementation of the relief initiative, Council approved multiple extensions to permit temporary outdoor patios until January 1, 2023.
- Because of the success of the initial temporary outdoor patio program, and the current economic climate, staff are recommending that a permanent program be implemented to allow eating establishments and banquet halls to have seasonal outdoor patios from April 1 to November 1.

### **Recommendations**

1. THAT the Business Licensing By-law 122-2022, as amended, be further amended, as generally set out in Attachment 1 to this report, and in a form satisfactory to Legal Services, to create a licensing endorsement for seasonal outdoor patios;
2. THAT Noise Control By-law 121-2021, as amended, be further amended, as generally set out in the Attachment 2 to this report, and in a form satisfactory to

- Legal Services, to permit sound from a sound reproduction device on seasonal outdoor patios, and to create parameters for prohibitions for non-compliance; and
3. THAT the Fees and Charges By-law 224-2023, as amended, be further amended, as generally set out in the Attachment 3 to this report, and in a form satisfactory to Legal Services, to create a seasonal outdoor patio licence endorsement fee.

## **Background**

To support the local hospitality industry during the COVID-19 pandemic, Council directed staff to make required by-law amendments and implement the necessary processes to permit licensed eating establishments and banquet halls to erect temporary outdoor patios, and expand existing patio areas, to create additional outdoor seating capacity. Although the COVID-19 state of emergency ended in April 2022, due to the success of the temporary outdoor patio program, the program officially did not end until January 1, 2023, due to multiple extensions of the program by Council. In total, 168 temporary outdoor patio permits were issued, and there were no significant health, safety, or compliance-related issues pertaining to temporary outdoor patios reported to the City.

## **Municipal Comparisons**

Owing to the success of pandemic-related temporary patio programs, and the relatively low-risk nature of outdoor patios, municipalities across the GTA and Ontario have progressed their temporary patio permits into seasonal outdoor patio programs. The regulations differ in every municipality; however, each has developed specific requirements that must be adhered to. Table 1 provides a summary of the Ontario municipalities reviewed, along with a comparison of their temporary patio provisions.

<b>Municipality</b>	<b>Seasonal or Year-round</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Permit/Licence Requirement</b>
Toronto	Year-round	Public and private property	No permit required for patios on private property.
Burlington	Seasonal	Public and private property	Municipal approval required for all patio applications
Mississauga	Year-round	Public and private property	No permit required for patios on private property.
Newmarket	Varies by type	Public and private property	Municipal approval required for all patio applications
Ajax	Seasonal	Public and private property	Municipal approval required for all patio applications



Brampton	Seasonal	Public and private property	Municipal approval required for all patio applications
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**Previous Reports/Authority**

- Council May 27, 2020, Item 30, [Committee of the Whole, Report No. 20](#)
- Council June 29, 2020, Item 1, [Committee of the Whole, Report No. 30](#)
- Council October 21, 2020, [Addendum Item 2](#)
- Council September 27, 2021, Item 21 [Committee of the Whole, Report No. 39](#)
- [City of Vaughan Temporary Outdoor Patio By-law, 096-2020 \(repealed\)](#)

**Analysis and Options**

**Public Survey**

In addition to the cross-jurisdictional scan and consultation with other municipalities, staff conducted a public survey to better understand impacts, both positive and negative, the temporary outdoor patio program had on the hospitality industry and the public, and to assess the level of interest in a permanent outdoor patio program.

In conjunction with Communications, Marketing and Engagement, By-law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services undertook an online survey between February 15 and March 7, 2024, which was promoted through an extensive communications outreach and through Access Vaughan. The survey received 504 responses. A summary of the findings follows, with a complete set of results provided in Attachment 1 to this report.

Most respondents (481) identified themselves as Vaughan residents. 21 identified as owners/operators of restaurants or banquet halls in Vaughan, and 23 respondents identified as owning other types of businesses in the City. Half of the survey respondents indicated that they are customers of restaurants and banquet halls located in Vaughan, and the majority of respondents indicated that they had visited temporary outdoor patios in Vaughan during the previous temporary program. The idea of seasonal outdoor patios in the City gained overall support (419 positive responses). Most respondents representing restaurant and business owners who had participated in the temporary outdoor patio program indicated they had a positive experience, noting extra revenue and additional employment opportunities as positive outcomes. Few concerns were noted by survey respondents, but included proper waste management, adequate safety measures, accessibility, smoking and noise concerns, all of which will be addressed through various by-laws. Overall, the idea of seasonal outdoor patios was deemed attractive to the majority of respondents, who indicated that this initiative would bring vibrance to the City and support existing businesses.

## Proposed Regulations

Staff took a measured approach when developing the regulations for seasonal outdoor patios to balance public safety and nuisance control while providing establishment owners with flexibility to establish additional dining areas with maximum positive outcomes for their businesses and patrons. Most of the proposed regulations mirror those of the previously approved temporary outdoor patios, with additional items added to reflect the permanence of the seasonal patio endorsement. The regulations below summarize the proposed by-law requirements.

### 1. Licence Requirement

Eating establishments and banquet halls must have a valid City of Vaughan business licence in good standing to qualify for a seasonal outdoor patio. The seasonal outdoor patio permission will be granted by way of an endorsement to the business licence. Endorsements must be renewed every year to ensure ongoing compliance. An endorsement fee of \$200 will cover administration, inspection, and compliance-related costs.

### 2. Location

Seasonal outdoor patios will only be permitted on private property directly adjacent to the eating establishment or banquet hall it was established to serve. Where the eating establishment or banquet hall is the only use on the property, the operator has discretion as to the location of the seasonal outdoor patio, so long as it abuts the building and is approved by the property owner. Where the eating establishment is located in a multi-unit building, the seasonal outdoor patio may occupy the parking spaces directly adjacent to an entrance leading to the interior of the eating establishment. If there is no sidewalk, the seasonal outdoor patio must abut the building.

To ensure the safety of staff and patrons, setbacks from fire hydrants, fire routes, and accessible parking spaces will be required. Additionally, seasonal outdoor patios may not be constructed in an area within 9 metres of an intersection within a parking lot and may not obstruct or encroach upon sidewalks. The Chief Licensing Officer retains the authority to refuse an endorsement in the instance that he or she is of the opinion that the proposed seasonal outdoor patio poses a risk to public safety or is likely to create a nuisance for neighbours.

If the banquet hall or eating establishment owner does not also own the property, they must obtain permission to erect the seasonal outdoor patio from the property owner or their designate. Further, no property owner or manager shall permit the establishment, existence, or operation of a Seasonal Outdoor Patio that is not in compliance with the provisions of the City's Licensing by-law.

3. Patio Features

Seasonal outdoor patios must be enclosed by a temporary fence of not less than 1 metre in height and of reasonable structural integrity, so as to effectively cordon off the area.

Awnings, tents and umbrellas are permitted in or over seasonal outdoor patios, so long as they are erected in manner to be in compliance with applicable legislation, by-laws or regulations, including but not limited to *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*, *Building Code Act, 1992* and *O. Reg. 213/07: Fire Code*, and are constructed with fire retardant materials.

An operator is permitted to construct a platform to form a temporary flooring for the seasonal outdoor patio, so long as the platform does not exceed the height of the adjacent sidewalk. Where required, ramps must be installed to ensure accessibility.

4. Compliance with Other Legislation

Seasonal outdoor patios must comply with all relevant legislation, including public health requirements, requirements of Vaughan Fire and Rescue Services, AODA Standards and AGCO regulations. Seasonal patios must also remain in compliance with all other City by-laws, including the City's zoning by-law.

5. Noise and Nuisance Control

Seasonal outdoor patios will be permitted to have amplified or acoustic music that complies with the provisions of the Noise Control By-law. Such provisions permit for music that is maintained at a level that allows for normal conversation. Music or other noise that exceeds this threshold shall continue to be only permitted under a Special Event Permit.

6. Permissions

Where the eating establishment or banquet hall owner is not the property owner, permission for erection and operation of the seasonal outdoor patio must be obtained in writing. In the case of multi-unit properties with more than one eating establishment and/or banquet hall, the property owner will have discretion as to how many seasonal outdoor patios are permitted on the property and which units are permitted to have patios, in alignment with the requirements of the by-law.

7. Drainage and Stormwater

Seasonal outdoor patios must be constructed in a manner so as not to obstruct the established flow of stormwater on the property, or to obstruct proper drainage.

## **Financial Impact**

An annual licence fee of \$200.00, expected to generate approximately \$30,000 annually, will be charged to offset the administrative costs of processing applications and enforcement costs for inspections, and to ensure seasonal outdoor patios are established in accordance with the requirements of the by-law.

## **Operational Impact**

The implementation of the seasonal outdoor patio endorsement is not anticipated to have an operational impact that requires additional resources.

## **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

The recommendations in this report do not have a direct impact on other municipalities, the Region or any of its agencies, or other regulatory stakeholders.

## **Conclusion**

The proposed development of an ongoing seasonal outdoor patio endorsement aligns with the City's strategic priority of Economic Prosperity and Job Creation by enabling businesses to have seasonal expanded seating and offering a new dining experience for patrons. Upon receiving a decision of Council, By-law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services staff will work directly with Communications, Marketing and Engagement to ensure the timely release of any related communications related to this new endorsement.

**For more information**, please contact: Susan Kelly, Director and Chief Licensing Officer, By-law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services, ext. 8952.

## **Attachments**

1. Proposed Seasonal Outdoor Patio Licensing By-law Amendments
2. Proposed Seasonal Outdoor Patio Noise Control By-law Amendments
3. Proposed Seasonal Outdoor Patio Fees and Charges By-law Amendments
4. Seasonal Patio Public Survey Results

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## Proposed Seasonal Outdoor Patio Licensing By-law Amendments

1. That Business Licensing By-law 122-2022, as amended, be further amended by adding the following definitions to Part 3.0 in alphabetical order:
 

“Landlord” means the registered *Owner* of a property that contains an *Eating Establishment* or a *Banquet Hall* or both, or a *Person* with the authority to act on *Owner’s* behalf;

“Public Lands” means lands owned by the *City*, and shall include but not be limited to the boulevard, any *Highway*, lane, alley, square, place, viaduct or trestle, water, way or bridge, park, woodland, greenbelt, storm water management facility, open space, municipal golf course or cemetery, and all parts thereof, including any surface, grassed area, boulevard, ditch, curb, gutter and sidewalk, but does not include property owned by the Regional, Provincial, Federal Government, a Crown Corporation, Hydro, Utility or Railway Company;

“Seasonal Outdoor Patio” means a designated seasonal outdoor area accessory to an *Eating Establishment* or a *Banquet Hall* where food or drink are offered for sale or served; or where food and drink are brought from within the *Eating Establishment* or *Banquet Hall* to the outdoor area for consumption;
2. Business Licensing By-law 122-2022, as amended, be further amended by repealing section 4.12(3) and replacing it with the following:
 

(3) Where any *Licensee* fails to comply with a request to inspect or fails to comply with the *Notice to Comply*, the *Chief Licensing Officer* may suspend or revoke the *Licence* or the *Endorsement*.
3. That Business Licensing By-law 122-2022, as amended, be further amended by adding section 7.0(10) to read as follows:
 

(10) Any *Owner* of a *Banquet Hall* that would like to obtain a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio Endorsement* shall comply with all of the provisions in Part 12.2.
4. That Business Licensing By-law 122-2022, as amended, be further amended by adding section 12.0(3) to read as follows:
 

(3) Any *Owner* of an *Eating Establishment* that would like to obtain a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio Endorsement* shall comply with all of the provisions in Part 12.2.
5. That Business Licensing By-law 122-2022, as amended, be further amended by

adding **Part 12.2 Seasonal Outdoor Patios** to read as follows:

**Part 12.2 Seasonal Outdoor Patios**

- (1) No *Person* shall establish or operate a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* unless an *Endorsement* under his or her *Eating Establishment* or *Banquet Hall Licence* has been obtained, and is in compliance with the provisions of this By-law;
- (2) No *Person* shall apply for an *Endorsement* for a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* unless that *Person* is an *Owner* who:
  - (a) owns a *Business* that is primarily an *Eating Establishment* or a *Banquet Hall*; and
  - (b) is duly *Licensed* by the *City* to operate such *Business*; and
  - (c) meets all requirements under this By-law; and
  - (d) is in compliance with all other applicable legislation, by-laws or regulations, including but not limited to *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*, *Building Code Act, 1992* and *O. Reg. 213/07: Fire Code*, *the Smoke-Free Ontario Act*, *Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario Act, 2019*; and
  - (e) has written permission from the *Landlord* to establish or operate a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio*.
- (3) Every *Owner* who intends to establish or operate a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* for his or her *Eating Establishment* or *Banquet Hall*, and is eligible to do so under section 12.2(2), shall:
  - (a) apply for an *Endorsement* under his or her *Licence* for one *Seasonal Outdoor Patio*;
  - (b) provide proof, in a manner satisfactory to the *Chief Licensing Officer*, that the *Business* has general commercial liability insurance in an amount of at least \$2,000,000; and
  - (c) provide proof, in a manner satisfactory to the *Chief Licensing Officer*, that the *Landlord* agrees to the establishment or operation of the *Seasonal Outdoor Patio*;
  - (d) provide a sketch of the proposed *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* satisfactory to the *Chief Licensing Officer*.

- (4) *Seasonal Outdoor Patio Endorsement* must be renewed for every season (i.e., April 1 to November 1) prior to operation of the *Seasonal Outdoor Patio*.
- (5) Despite section 12.2(3), the *Chief Licensing Officer* may require an *Owner* to provide any other information that the *Chief Licensing Officer* deems appropriate to ensure the health and safety of the public, consumer protection, or nuisance control, and failure to do so will automatically result in the application for a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio Endorsement* being denied.
- (6) Despite meeting the criteria set out in 12.2(3), the *Chief Licensing Officer* may deny an application for a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio Endorsement*, if he or she is of the opinion that the proposed *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* may pose a risk to the health and safety of the public, or may have a negative impact on consumer protection, or nuisance control.
- (7) *Seasonal Outdoor Patios* shall only operate from April 1 to November 1.
- (8) *Seasonal Outdoor Patios* shall be dismantled and removed in their entirety from November 2 to March 31.
- (9) A *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* is only permitted on private property and shall be located adjacent to the *Eating Establishment* or the *Banquet Hall* that it was established to serve.
- (10) Where an *Eating Establishment* or a *Banquet Hall* is the only use on the property, the *Owner* has discretion as to the location of the *Seasonal Outdoor Patio*, so long as it adjacent to the *Eating Establishment* or *Banquet Hall*, and is approved by the *Landlord*.
- (11) Where an *Eating Establishment* or a *Banquet Hall* is **not** the only use on the property, the *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* shall be located on the parking space(s) adjacent to the sidewalk that is fronting an entrance to the *Eating Establishment* or *Banquet Hall*. If there is no such sidewalk, the *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* must be located on the parking space(s) adjacent to an entrance to the *Eating Establishment* or *Banquet Hall*.
- (12) Every *Owner* shall ensure that a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* and any of its appurtenances shall:
  - (a) be at least 5.0 metres from a point at the edge on any driving or parking

- surface that is directly in front of a fire hydrant or fire department connection;
- (b) provide an unobstructed pathway to such fire hydrant or fire department connection that is at least 5.0 metres wide at any point;
  - (c) not encroach on or occupy any laneway or other area deemed a fire route;
  - (d) not encroach a sidewalk that is fronting an entrance to an *Eating Establishment* or a *Banquet Hall*;
  - (e) not encroach onto or occupy any portion of *Public Lands*, a drive aisle on a parking lot, or a driveway; and
  - (f) not encroach on or occupy any portion of the following, if designated for persons with a disability: a parking space, or area/access point.
- (13) Every *Owner* shall ensure that the perimeter of a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* shall be enclosed by a temporary fence:
- (a) of no less than 1.0 metres in height;
  - (b) that is self-supporting, plumb and in good repair;
  - (c) that is of a construction that will not under normal circumstances allow a *Person* to pass through or underneath it; and
  - (d) that has reflective markings that are spaced no more than 2.0 metres from each other.
- (14) Every *Owner* shall ensure that access to a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* shall:
- (a) be attended by a dedicated staff member of the *Eating Establishment* or *Banquet Hall*; and
  - (b) meet all of the accessibility requirements under the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*, S.O. 2005, c. 11 and its relevant regulations.
- (15) No shelter or cover is permitted in or over *Seasonal Outdoor Patios* other than umbrellas that are constructed of fire retardant materials, and awnings, tents, or roofs only if they are in compliance with applicable legislation, by-laws and regulations including but not limited to *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*, *Building Code Act, 1992* and *O. Reg. 213/07: Fire*



Code, and are constructed of fire retardant materials.

- (16) Umbrellas on *Seasonal Outdoor Patios* are allowed if they are constructed with fire retardant materials.
- (17) *Seasonal Outdoor Patios* shall not obstruct stormwater flows or block stormwater drains.
- (18) No *Person* is allowed to smoke tobacco or cannabis and/or vape any substance on and within 9m (29.5 ft.) of a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* in accordance with the *Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017*.
- (19) The following activities are not permitted in a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio*:
- (a) open air fires or solid, gel or liquid fuel fire featured items;
  - (b) cooking or food preparation;
  - (c) amplified sound or music which is not allowed under *City's Noise By-law* or *Special Event's By-law*, as amended or their successor by-laws.
- (20) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Part, the *Chief Licensing Officer* may impose terms and conditions on *Endorsement* for a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* at issuance, renewal or at any other time during the *Endorsement* period, including special conditions, as he or she may deem necessary.
- (21) No *Landlord* shall permit the establishment or operation of a *Seasonal Outdoor Patio* that is in contravention of this by-law on his or her property.



**Proposed Seasonal Outdoor Patio Noise Control By-law Amendments**

1. That Noise By-law 121-2021, as amended, be further amended by adding section 16.0(4.1) to read as follows:

(4.1) Notwithstanding section 16.0(4) an *Eating Establishment* or a *Banquet Hall* that has a patio that is in compliance with this By-law and all other applicable *City* by-laws may operate a *Sound Reproduction Device* such that the amplified *Sound* from it allows for normal conversation.

2. That Noise By-law 121-2021, as amended, be further amended by adding section 16.0(4.2) to read as follows:

(4.2) For purposes of section 16.0(4.1), an *Officer* has discretion to establish whether the amplified *Sound* allows for normal conversation.

3. That Noise By-law 121-2021, as amended, be further amended by adding section 16.0(4.3) to read as follows:

(4.3) Notwithstanding section 16.0(4.1), if three or more complaints are received by the *City* respecting the amplified *Sound* being emitted, as per section 16.0(4.1), within a one-month period with respect to the same *Eating Establishment* or *Banquet Hall*, the *Director* may impose limitations on that *Eating Establishment* or *Banquet Hall's* municipal business licence or endorsement in accordance with *City's* Business Licensing By-law, including prohibiting the use of a *Sound Reproduction Device*.

4. That Noise By-law 121-2021, as amended, be further amended by adding the following line to Schedule 6:

<b>Section</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Fine Amount</b>
16.0(4.1)	Operate a <i>Sound Reproduction Device</i> , originating from or in connection with a commercial establishment outside seating area with an amplified <i>Sound</i> beyond normal conversation	\$750



**Proposed Seasonal Outdoor Patio Fees and Charges By-law Amendments**

- 1. That Fees and Charges By-law 224-2023, as amended, be further amended by adding the following fee to Schedule I under By-law & Compliance Services section:

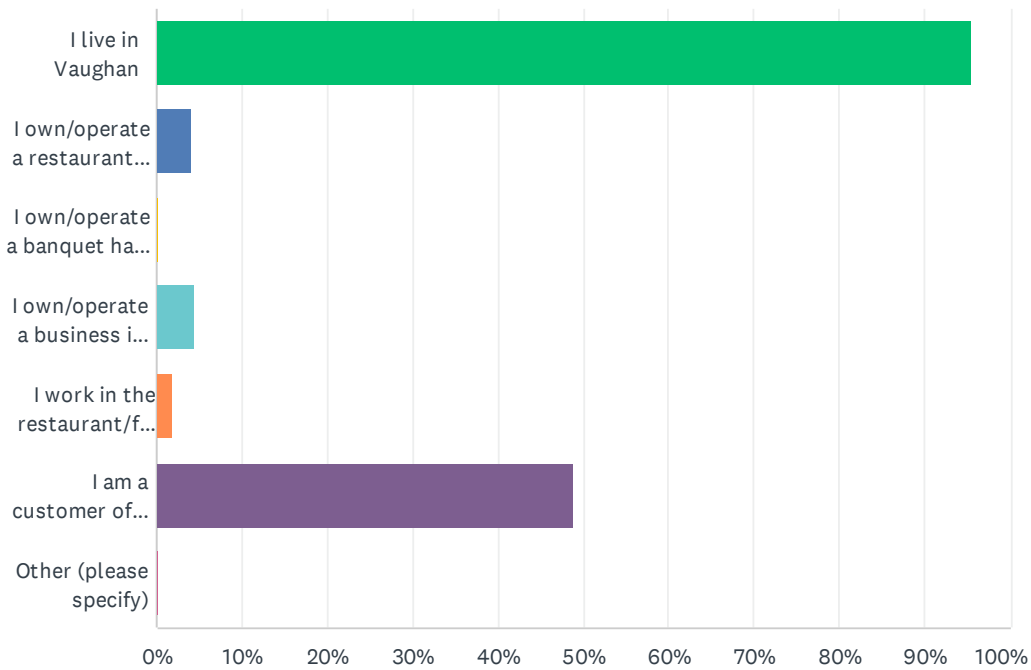
Item	Fee or Charge		HST
	2024	2025	
Seasonal Outdoor Patio Endorsement	\$200.00	\$200.00	E





Q1 Which of the following best describes you? Please select all that apply.

Answered: 504 Skipped: 0

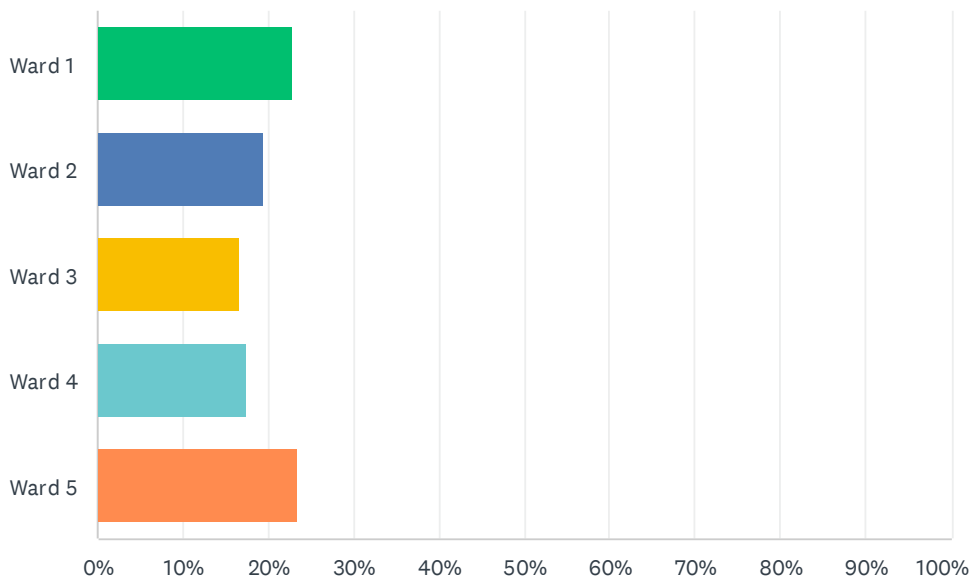


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I live in Vaughan	95.44%	481
I own/operate a restaurant in Vaughan	3.97%	20
I own/operate a banquet hall in Vaughan	0.20%	1
I own/operate a business in Vaughan (that is not a restaurant or banquet hall)	4.56%	23
I work in the restaurant/food industry in Vaughan	1.98%	10
I am a customer of restaurants and/or banquet halls in Vaughan	48.81%	246
Other (please specify)	0.20%	1
Total Respondents: 504		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Work remote and would love to work in patios during summer months	3/2/2024 7:51 AM

## Q2 Which ward do you live in? Check the ward boundary map (PDF) if you are unsure.

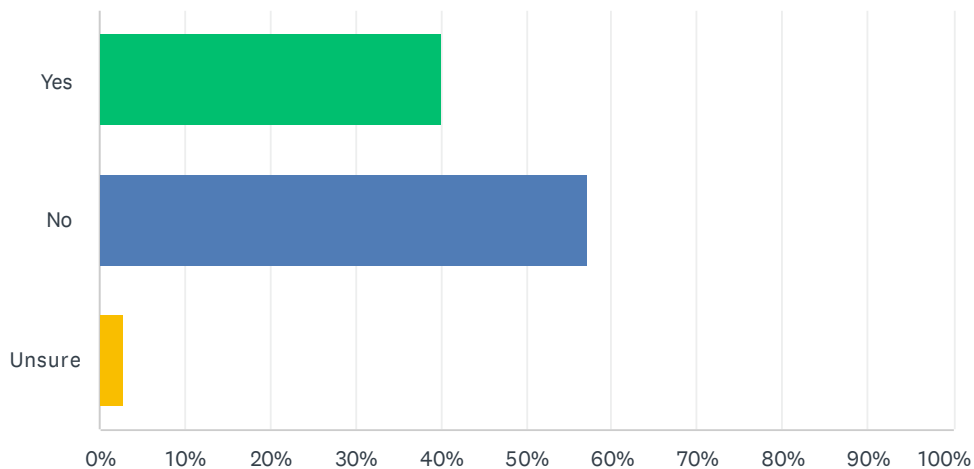
Answered: 438 Skipped: 66



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Ward 1	22.83%	100
Ward 2	19.41%	85
Ward 3	16.67%	73
Ward 4	17.58%	77
Ward 5	23.52%	103
TOTAL		438

### Q3 Did you work for a restaurant or banquet hall that participated in the City's Temporary Outdoor Patio Program?

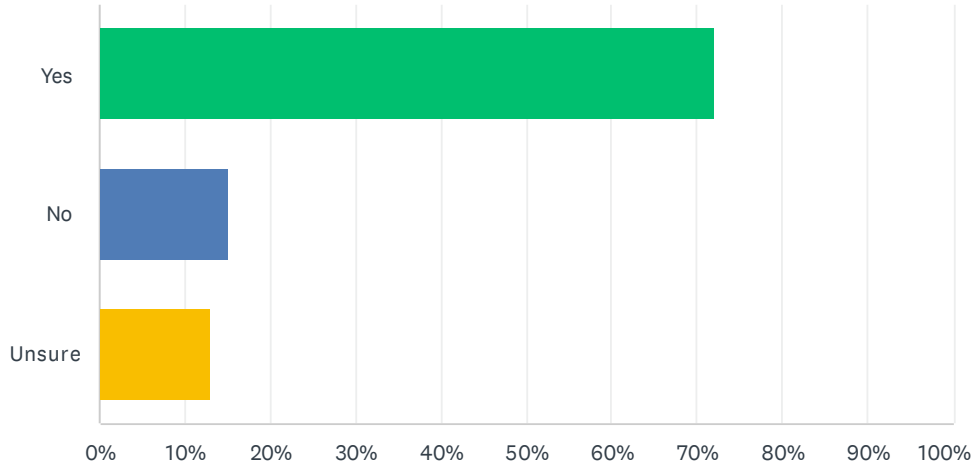
Answered: 35 Skipped: 469



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	40.00%	14
No	57.14%	20
Unsure	2.86%	1
TOTAL		35

### Q4 Did you visit a temporary outdoor patio (as a customer) at a restaurant or banquet hall in Vaughan between June 2020 and January 2023?

Answered: 425 Skipped: 79

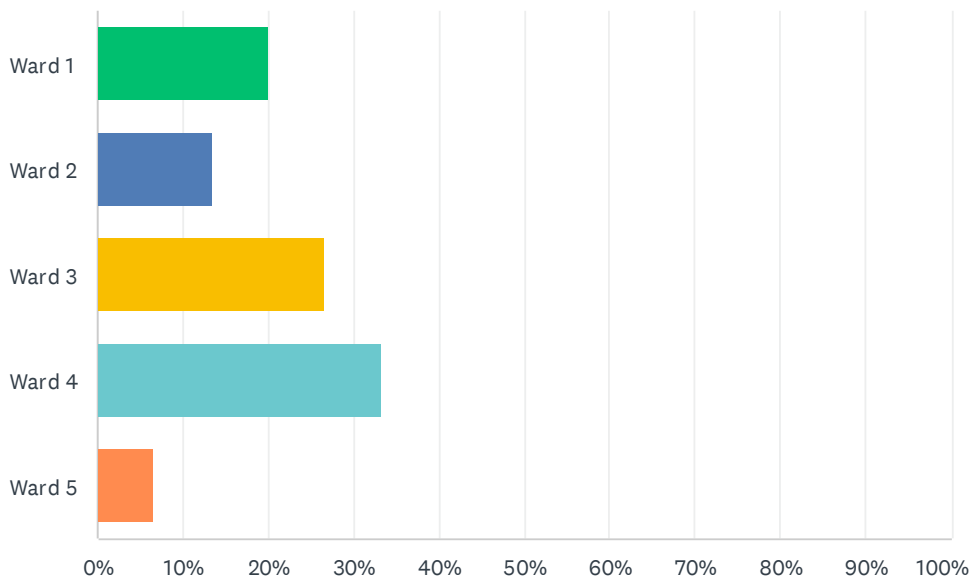


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	72.00%	306
No	15.06%	64
Unsure	12.94%	55
TOTAL		425



### Q5 Which ward is your business located in? Check the ward boundary map (PDF) if you are unsure.

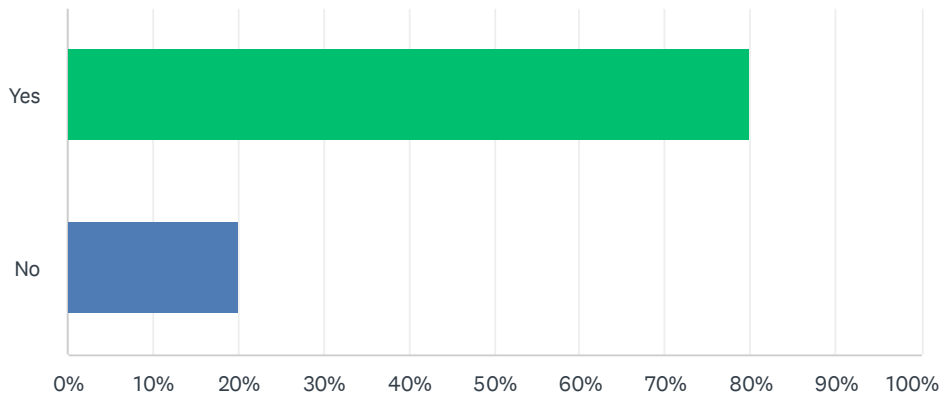
Answered: 15 Skipped: 489



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Ward 1	20.00%	3
Ward 2	13.33%	2
Ward 3	26.67%	4
Ward 4	33.33%	5
Ward 5	6.67%	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>

### Q6 Did your business participate in the City's Temporary Outdoor Patio Program?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 489



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	80.00%	12
No	20.00%	3
TOTAL		15

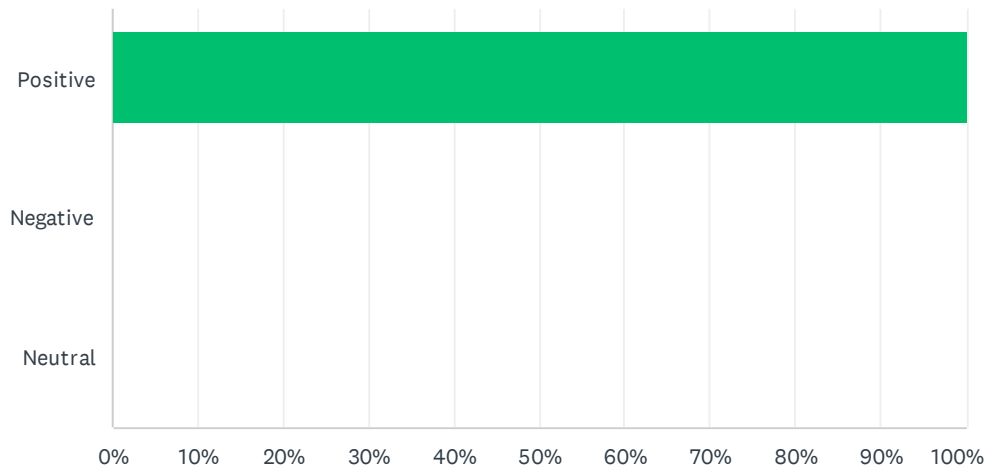
## Q7 What was your reason for participating in the program?

Answered: 11 Skipped: 493

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	It was necessary in generating revenue	3/3/2024 2:32 PM
2	Covid restrictions	2/28/2024 8:50 AM
3	To be able to continue my business otherwise I would have had to close down	2/27/2024 2:25 PM
4	give to the customer an alternative to seat outside during the summer season, increase the seat available and the revenue during the summer.	2/27/2024 12:10 PM
5	Business	2/26/2024 9:52 PM
6	To generate more business during the pandemic with the ban on indoor dining	2/26/2024 6:29 PM
7	Outdoor patio	2/26/2024 12:37 PM
8	Covid	2/25/2024 5:46 PM
9	Covid	2/21/2024 12:09 PM
10	Due to Covid restrictions	2/17/2024 8:27 AM
11	To generate lost business from and provide customers with the opportunity to dine outdoors	2/16/2024 8:16 PM

### Q8 How would you describe your experience participating in the program?

Answered: 11 Skipped: 493



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Positive	100.00%	11
Negative	0.00%	0
Neutral	0.00%	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>11</b>

What are your thoughts on Vaughan's Seasonal Patio Program?

## Q9 What did you enjoy about the program?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 495

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	It gave our customers a different dining experience, and we had very positive feedback	3/3/2024 2:34 PM
2	Our customers prefer outdoors	2/28/2024 8:52 AM
3	Able to accommodate people and being a small business everything helps	2/27/2024 2:27 PM
4	the flexibly and the chance to have a nice outside sport above the strict rule from the plaza corp that doses't allow us to have a patio.	2/27/2024 12:11 PM
5	Everything	2/26/2024 9:53 PM
6	That we were allowed to have a patio. Our patrons loved it..and Lee asking why we don't bring it back!	2/26/2024 6:30 PM
7	More business	2/26/2024 12:38 PM
8	Service from the city of Vaughan made It easy for us to set it up and the smiles on the customers when it was done	2/17/2024 8:29 AM
9	The ability to dine outdoors at restaurants that don't have a permanent outdoor patio	2/16/2024 8:17 PM



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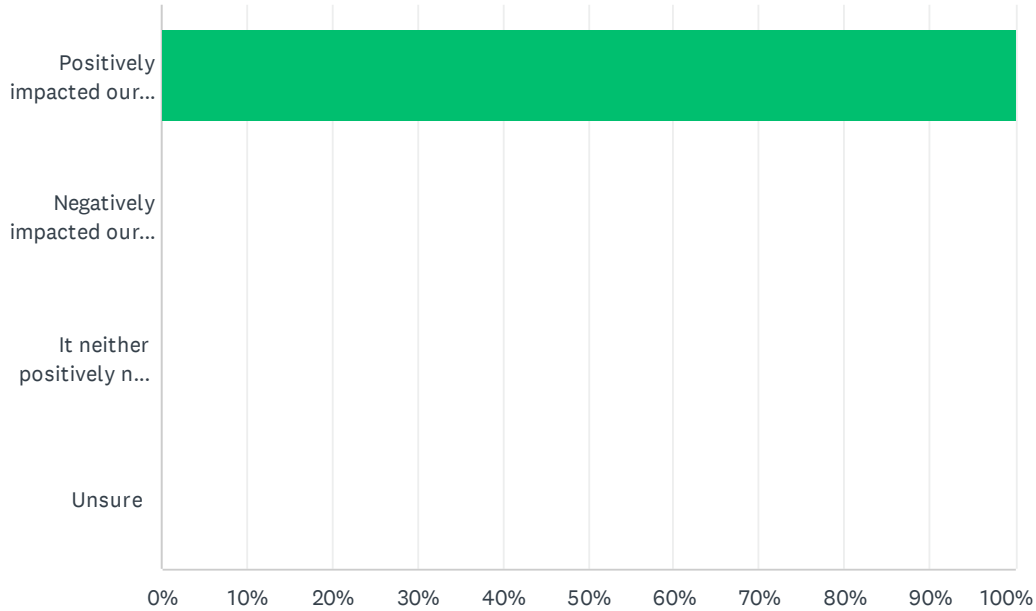
## Q10 What did you dislike about the program?

Answered: 0 Skipped: 504

#	RESPONSES	DATE
	There are no responses.	

### Q11 Accounting for the effects of the pandemic, what impact did the program have on your business's ability to generate revenue?

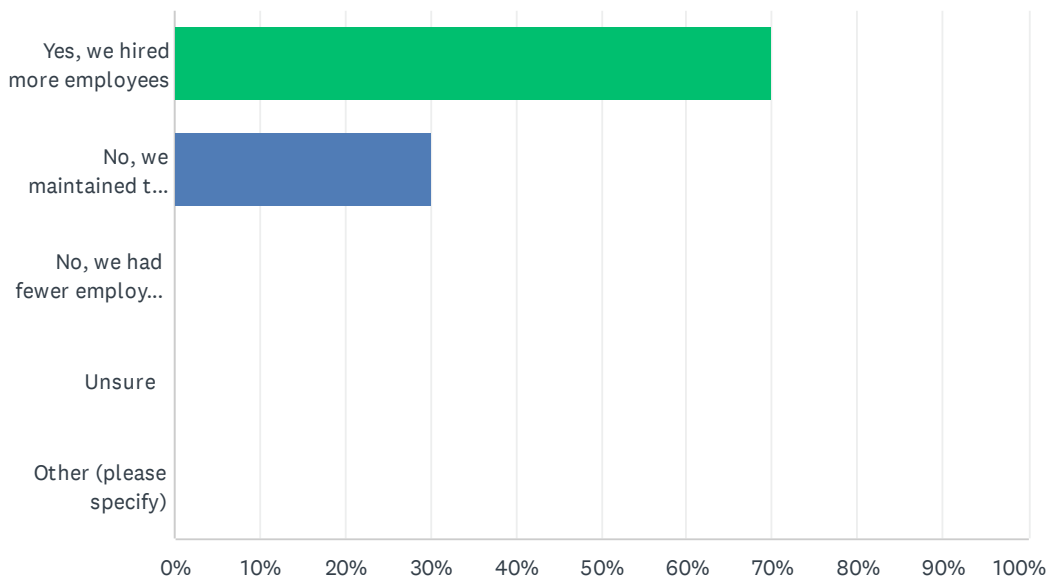
Answered: 10 Skipped: 494



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Positively impacted our revenue	100.00%	10
Negatively impacted our revenue	0.00%	0
It neither positively nor negatively impacted our revenue	0.00%	0
Unsure	0.00%	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>10</b>

## Q12 Accounting for the effects of the pandemic, did the program impact your business's employment opportunities?

Answered: 10 Skipped: 494



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, we hired more employees	70.00%	7
No, we maintained the same amount of employees	30.00%	3
No, we had fewer employees working	0.00%	0
Unsure	0.00%	0
Other (please specify)	0.00%	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>10</b>

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
	There are no responses.	

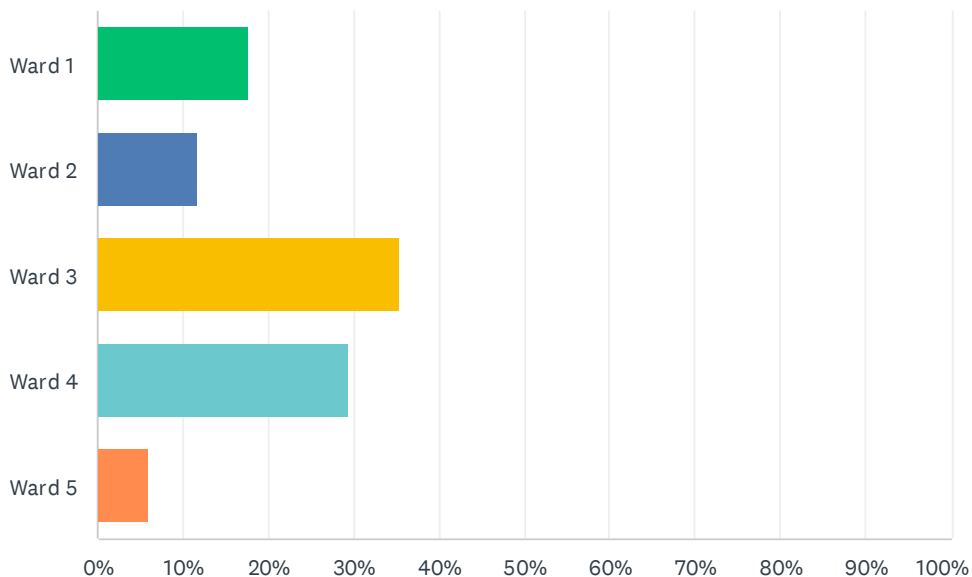
## Q13 What was your reason for not participating in the program?

Answered: 3 Skipped: 501

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I didn't know about this program	2/25/2024 6:02 PM
2	Not relevant to my business.	2/23/2024 11:23 AM
3	No permit	2/17/2024 5:26 AM

### Q14 Which ward is your business located in? Check the ward boundary map (PDF) if you are unsure.

Answered: 17 Skipped: 487

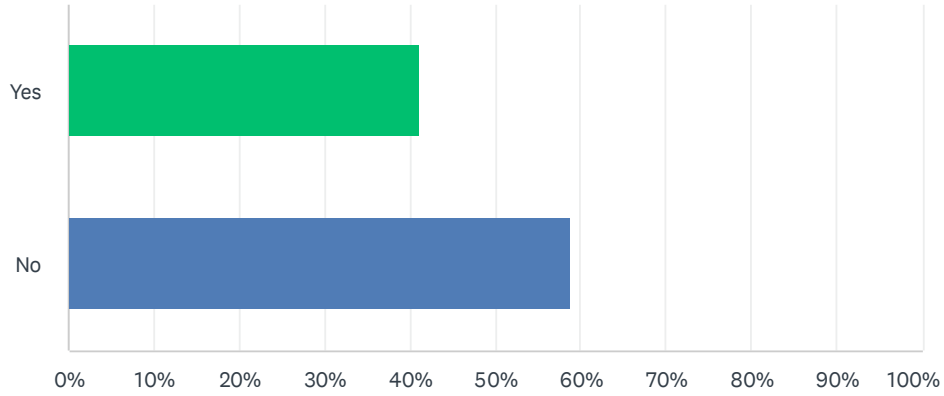


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Ward 1	17.65% 3
Ward 2	11.76% 2
Ward 3	35.29% 6
Ward 4	29.41% 5
Ward 5	5.88% 1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17</b>



### Q15 Is your business located near a restaurant or banquet hall (e.g. in the same plaza or sharing the same parking lot)?

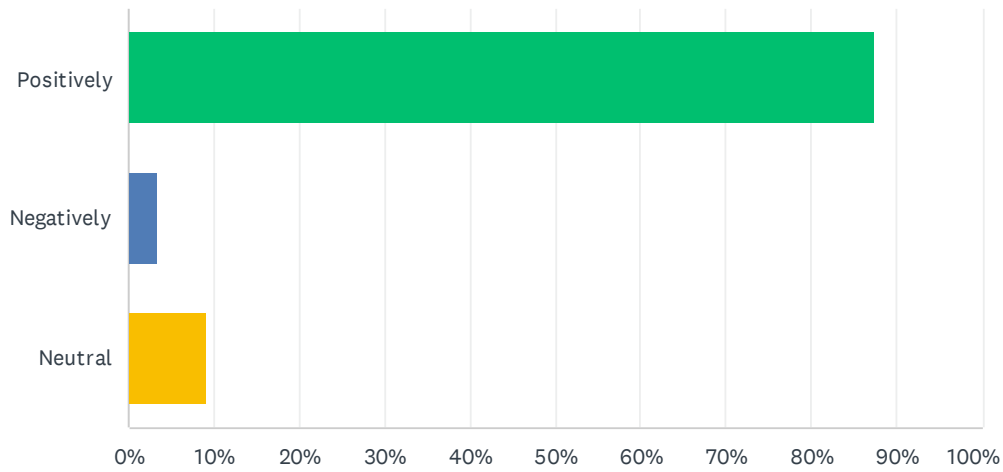
Answered: 17 Skipped: 487



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	41.18%	7
No	58.82%	10
TOTAL		17

### Q16 How did you feel about the City's Temporary Outdoor Patio Program?

Answered: 448 Skipped: 56



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Positively	87.50% 392
Negatively	3.35% 15
Neutral	9.15% 41
TOTAL	448

## Q17 What did you enjoy about the program?

Answered: 357 Skipped: 147

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	More choices of where to dine outside.	3/7/2024 10:13 PM
2	Outside eating	3/6/2024 11:45 PM
3	loved the fresh air	3/6/2024 9:04 PM
4	Outside	3/5/2024 9:33 PM
5	Nice to be outdoors in good weather.	3/5/2024 2:54 PM
6	The outdoor ambiance!	3/5/2024 2:31 PM
7	Offering more space and enjoying the outdoor	3/5/2024 2:12 PM
8	It provided more opportunities to sit outdoor to enjoy and beverages	3/5/2024 2:02 PM
9	Outdoor food service in good weather is always appealing, compared to closed indoor space	3/5/2024 10:06 AM
10	It's always enjoyable to be on a patio.	3/5/2024 7:32 AM
11	More place to sit and enjoy good weather	3/4/2024 10:56 PM
12	Being able to have more choices to sit outside to eat since places that don't normally have a patio can have a patio. Outdoor dining is more accessible to the community.	3/4/2024 10:28 PM
13	Opportunity to dine outside	3/4/2024 8:01 PM
14	Most used parking space wisely as not to impact where customers can park that did not impact other businesses that shared the space	3/4/2024 3:59 PM
15	If it's nice weather. Sitting outside is a lot better then inside	3/4/2024 3:55 PM
16	Sitting outdoor enjoyable and also adds to the restaurant's footprint	3/4/2024 3:16 PM
17	It made dining at Vaughan's mediocre restaurants slightly more tolerable. Crappy food outdoors is still better than crappy food indoors. The outdoor patios also allowed pets, so that was a bonus.	3/4/2024 2:47 PM
18	More outdoor options in the sun	3/4/2024 1:07 PM
19	That the eating establishments were not subject to the bureaucratic red tape.	3/3/2024 9:04 AM
20	Gives us more options	3/2/2024 4:58 PM
21	Being outdoors	3/2/2024 2:38 PM
22	Socializing and being outdoors.	3/1/2024 9:35 PM
23	The option to be able to be seated in a more open space	3/1/2024 8:37 PM
24	Being outside and having great conversations	3/1/2024 7:39 PM
25	Being outdoors	3/1/2024 7:02 PM
26	Patio availability for outdoor socialising. Picnic tables in non restaurant areas as well for informal gatherings.	3/1/2024 6:25 PM
27	Being outside	3/1/2024 1:56 PM
28	I love eating outside in the spring, summer, and fall. Being allowed to sit outside for a longer period would be perfect!	3/1/2024 12:58 PM
29	With short summers, I want to spend my time outdoors, enjoying the sun and fresh air rather	3/1/2024 10:50 AM

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than being inside with blasting AC. We get ample opportunity to be inside restaurants during the winter months.

30	I enjoyed the option of sitting outside during the warm weather	3/1/2024 8:57 AM
31	the fresh air	2/29/2024 9:18 PM
32	Everyone can enjoy the beautiful weather as it's short lived.	2/29/2024 8:04 PM
33	I enjoy eating outside	2/29/2024 6:54 PM
34	Being outside enjoy time with friends or family	2/29/2024 5:58 PM
35	It combines the outdoors and good food	2/29/2024 4:57 PM
36	Great	2/29/2024 4:37 PM
37	I like how establishments with usually just indoor seating were allowed to adapt and not only offer additional seating for customers, but a dining area where people could be closer to nature, offer natural lighting, better air quality, etc. I believe having both options available to customers positively benefits both the consumer and the establishment. Vaughan is beautiful in the summertime, so we should enjoy it!	2/29/2024 3:21 PM
38	Extra seating outdoors, felt safe, an opportunity to enjoy the short season while supporting local businesses	2/29/2024 3:12 PM
39	I didn't know it existed. Hoping to see more retailers in VMC	2/29/2024 12:42 PM
40	It's nice to get out and enjoy weather.ppl can socialize and it boosts business revenue. In the warmer weather and it helps tourism	2/29/2024 12:40 PM
41	I love eating outside!! So good for visiting as well.	2/29/2024 12:18 PM
42	Enjoyed having sunshine.. fresh air while enjoying a meal or drink or coffee..awesome	2/29/2024 12:06 PM
43	I believe that we have to enjoy every moment, and what a better time to enjoy in a patio of some place in our beautiful community.	2/29/2024 10:39 AM
44	Being outdoors during the summer months	2/29/2024 10:25 AM
45	I won't sit inside during warm days, so if the restaurant doesn't have outdoor area, I won't pick that place to go to. As simple as that!	2/29/2024 10:24 AM
46	Being about to enjoy good food and company safely outdoors	2/29/2024 10:09 AM
47	I love outdoors so it is nice to be having a relaxing time sitting outside.	2/29/2024 9:50 AM
48	I love patios! Not only do they remain safer locations due to covid, they add an ambiance and make cities more inviting to people, rather than to cars. I tend to stay longer and spend more at patios.	2/29/2024 8:50 AM
49	Promoting an outdoor social space	2/28/2024 10:59 PM
50	I loved eating outdoors. Everything in Vaughan is indoor unless you are a big chain. If there is extra space to have an outdoor patio, why not use it for more business?	2/28/2024 10:59 PM
51	I enjoy eating outdoors.	2/28/2024 10:57 PM
52	Really enjoyed experiencing fave restos outdoors. Great service and atmosphere. Was more likely to dine out if there was a patio.	2/28/2024 10:53 PM
53	Enjoying the outdoors and socializing over great food.	2/28/2024 10:36 PM
54	Extra space	2/28/2024 5:01 PM
55	It provided me another modality to enjoy an evening out. I enjoy outdoor dining. The curb appeal of any building is improved. Patio umbrellas, flower pots, etc - give a warm look to our city.	2/28/2024 4:53 PM
56	More seating at restaurants. Enjoy the warm weather months	2/28/2024 11:56 AM
57	Availability	2/28/2024 1:56 AM

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58	Love the vibes. It brings vibrancy into the neighbourhood seeing people enjoying the outdoors. I enjoy eating outside and enjoying the weather.	2/27/2024 9:12 PM
59	More choice of having outdoor dining options to keep myself and my family safe.	2/27/2024 7:34 PM
60	Nice to sit outside in nice weather at places that didn't have a permanent patio	2/27/2024 6:06 PM
61	Outdoor dining in the summer is such a treat and allows the restaurants to accommodate more people without squashing us all together. I think it is healthier.	2/27/2024 3:17 PM
62	The program was nice, it made the streets feel European and I liked to see people outside enjoying themselves. It gave more options for getting out of the house/office to enjoy the warm weather. Patios that had umbrellas and planters were much more attractive than those without.	2/27/2024 2:57 PM
63	Good streets environment	2/27/2024 2:37 PM
64	Being outside. Better use of space (parking lots being used for people instead of temporary car storage)	2/27/2024 9:08 AM
65	Lovely to eat outside. Great for the community.	2/27/2024 8:49 AM
66	any chance to eat outdoors is welcome	2/27/2024 8:19 AM
67	I was reluctant to eat indoors due to COVID risks. This program allowed me to patronize restaurants with less risk. I also enjoy eating outside and being able to socialize.	2/27/2024 6:11 AM
68	It feels nice to be able to eat in the fresh air in the warmer months. Feels much more natural and a more positive experience	2/27/2024 2:35 AM
69	Being able to connect with people on the patios outdoors at more locations	2/26/2024 10:44 PM
70	Having the option to sit in an outdoor patio rather than inside is great to have. It is a great way to enjoy the outside weather while eating and or drinking and socializing.	2/26/2024 10:15 PM
71	The option to sit out & enjoy a meal in the warmer weather.	2/26/2024 9:22 PM
72	Enjoy sitting outdoors	2/26/2024 6:51 PM
73	Sitting outdoors	2/26/2024 5:06 PM
74	opened up extra seating	2/26/2024 3:36 PM
75	I like to sit outside on a beautiful day and enjoy a meal or beverage and snack. I'd like to see more patios.	2/26/2024 3:29 PM
76	Larger seating area and reduced wait times	2/26/2024 1:09 PM
77	ore outdoor seating space	2/26/2024 11:21 AM
78	great option especially when the weather is good	2/26/2024 11:08 AM
79	There's nothing more beautiful & satisfying then sitting on a patio with friends & family on a beautiful day	2/26/2024 9:27 AM
80	Great for businesses and being in a country that only gets hot weather for a few months, it's great to be able to sit on a patio	2/26/2024 7:02 AM
81	Safe and nature connection	2/25/2024 9:39 PM
82	Love being able to sit outside and enjoy the patio during the warmer months !	2/25/2024 6:18 PM
83	I can be able to work more	2/25/2024 6:02 PM
84	It's great to see people out and enjoying the VERY limited small businesses in Vaughan. It's an incredibly boring city full of chain restaurants. Patios at local restaurants was a great program.	2/25/2024 5:54 PM
85	restaurants with patios that never had them before	2/25/2024 4:58 PM
86	Being outdoor	2/25/2024 4:35 PM
87	Allows people to enjoy the outside when the weather is nice. And reduces state control of consumer behavior.	2/25/2024 3:33 PM



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88	The atmosphere	2/25/2024 2:19 PM
89	Could dine in during the pandemic.	2/25/2024 1:47 PM
90	Out door dining	2/25/2024 1:38 PM
91	More attractive malls and plazas. Good to have less parking and cars there. Linger and socialize	2/25/2024 12:32 PM
92	I don't know why we didn't allow it before. It's so great to be able to eat outdoors. With winter to deal with, outdoor dining is such a treat.	2/25/2024 12:14 PM
93	al fresco dining adds charm to vaughan. People love being outside!	2/25/2024 9:14 AM
94	Having more patios and flexibility to fine more outside	2/25/2024 8:53 AM
95	Love to dine outdoors	2/25/2024 8:31 AM
96	More space for customers to choose where to sit	2/25/2024 8:12 AM
97	It made outdoor dining option much larger than the usual dining size they had.	2/24/2024 10:19 PM
98	Good for business, employees and patrons	2/24/2024 9:50 PM
99	The open, breezy and beautiful natural surroundings	2/24/2024 9:37 PM
100	Better use of outdoor spaces!	2/24/2024 7:23 PM
101	could eat outdoors and did not have to drive into the city	2/24/2024 6:58 PM
102	being outside, fresh air	2/24/2024 2:42 PM
103	N/A	2/24/2024 2:20 PM
104	Opportunity to dine outdoors at more restaurants, provided that they are not required to be in a closed tent or other closed structure.	2/24/2024 2:02 PM
105	It is imperative to have outdoor patio space! It encourages families and communities to gather, to network, to share.	2/24/2024 1:56 PM
106	Space; heath safety; ease of serving.	2/24/2024 1:26 PM
107	It helped the restaurant I work at to have more customers at once	2/24/2024 1:02 PM
108	Easier to eat outside and enjoy our short summers more	2/24/2024 12:35 PM
109	It allowed my friends and I to enjoy great food and great weather.	2/24/2024 12:33 PM
110	the natural atmosphere	2/24/2024 12:08 PM
111	Great to have outdoor seating. We have such a short season and any opportunity to be outside is wonderful. If it gives restaurants increased business that is fantastic.	2/24/2024 11:42 AM
112	Nice to eat outdoors in the warm weather.	2/24/2024 11:38 AM
113	Community and European feel to the city. Enjoy eating outside.	2/24/2024 10:21 AM
114	Eating outside	2/24/2024 10:03 AM
115	Outdoor patios add vitality and energy to a community. Dining outdoors in good weather improves the experience.	2/24/2024 9:21 AM
116	Enjoying the short summer we have	2/24/2024 9:12 AM
117	Create some nice ambiance !	2/24/2024 8:57 AM
118	It is lovely to be able to eat outside during Spring and Summer in the sunshine.	2/24/2024 8:36 AM
119	being outdoor and enjoying the fresh air	2/24/2024 8:19 AM
120	Dk	2/24/2024 7:34 AM
121	Fresh air	2/24/2024 7:30 AM
122	I like the option to dine outdoors	2/24/2024 7:21 AM

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123	It expanded seating capacity.	2/24/2024 7:11 AM
124	Chance to enjoy good weather	2/24/2024 4:50 AM
125	Outdoor patios	2/24/2024 2:51 AM
126	It was so nice to eat at smaller places with patios	2/24/2024 12:11 AM
127	More opportunities to dine outdoors	2/23/2024 11:48 PM
128	Great to eat 'al fresco'!	2/23/2024 11:03 PM
129	Service weather and the ability to enjoy the weather and get the opportunity to build a better a connection with family and friends it brought ppl together during the summer time and had a opportunity to meet new people and build new long lasting relationships.	2/23/2024 10:05 PM
130	loved the patios!!!	2/23/2024 9:48 PM
131	I enjoyed the opportunity to eat outside, especially on nice days.	2/23/2024 8:56 PM
132	An escape from the reality of COVID.	2/23/2024 8:23 PM
133	N/A	2/23/2024 8:20 PM
134	We were able to dine al fresco in a calm environment which is a nice change from an enclosed and sometimes noisy restaurant	2/23/2024 8:15 PM
135	So nice to be able to sit outdoors and make the most of our short summer season	2/23/2024 8:03 PM
136	Good weather, ambience	2/23/2024 8:00 PM
137	Outdoor dining is good, and during pandemic, helped restaurants survive.	2/23/2024 7:54 PM
138	Eating outdoors; supporting local restaurants.	2/23/2024 7:38 PM
139	The space and atmosphere of added outdoor neighbourhood cafes	2/23/2024 7:27 PM
140	nice to be able to enjoy outdoor space/dining like you would in the city.	2/23/2024 7:19 PM
141	Having outdoor seating	2/23/2024 7:01 PM
142	Being able to sit outside on a nice day to enjoy my meal.	2/23/2024 6:50 PM
143	N/A	2/23/2024 6:40 PM
144	Could use a restaurant during covid jail	2/23/2024 6:31 PM
145	Extra seating is excellent fir both businesses and customers. Also potentially more profitable for businesses as people enjoy dining on a patio during warmer months snd be attracted to these spaces.	2/23/2024 6:24 PM
146	Having a patio in suburban area is amazing. Not having to drive downtown is a huge plus. And it makes the neighborhood feel alive	2/23/2024 6:21 PM
147	It makes the city more welcoming and brings the sense of community in my opinion.	2/23/2024 5:33 PM
148	It's wonderful to be able to eat outside in warm weather, and with heaters in cooler weather.	2/23/2024 5:27 PM
149	Being able to sit outside	2/23/2024 5:25 PM
150	Fresh air and greater capacity of people	2/23/2024 5:24 PM
151	Allowed my family to enjoy time at a restaurant and cafe in a safe way that reduces the likelihood of anyone getting sick. This is important as we have vulnerable members of family.	2/23/2024 5:21 PM
152	eating outside!	2/23/2024 5:14 PM
153	More customers can be served at high demand times.	2/23/2024 5:13 PM
154	i like the idea of eating at a table rather than in my car. and having more space dedicated to people/pedestrians than cars	2/23/2024 5:09 PM
155	BEING OUTDOOR	2/23/2024 5:06 PM

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156	Nice to eat outside when weather permits.	2/23/2024 5:03 PM
157	The ability to go out.	2/23/2024 5:01 PM
158	Being outside. Kleinburg had too many restaurant offices. Not each patio	2/23/2024 4:58 PM
159	It gives people a choice. Summer is so short so enjoying a meal outside is nice. Gives us the opportunity to spend time outdoors especially for condo residents. Reminds me of Europe	2/23/2024 4:56 PM
160	Eating outside!	2/23/2024 4:36 PM
161	I love al fresco dining	2/23/2024 4:35 PM
162	Enjoy eating on the outdoor patios for the fresh air and sunshine. The patios add a liveliness to the streets of Vaughan that I never experienced as a 27 year resident.	2/23/2024 4:29 PM
163	Enjoying the limited time we have good weather	2/23/2024 4:28 PM
164	More options of being outdoors	2/23/2024 4:19 PM
165	The open space and ambience	2/23/2024 4:16 PM
166	Patios liven up the area. It's nice seeing people enjoying food outdoors with friends and family. It's as close as we can get to a nice European city.	2/23/2024 4:16 PM
167	Access	2/23/2024 3:54 PM
168	It brings life out into the streets.	2/23/2024 3:50 PM
169	Fresh air. Fun. Less stuffy. Vaughan looked like a normal city with outdoor patios	2/23/2024 3:46 PM
170	Love being outside in the summer dining alfresco	2/23/2024 3:41 PM
171	Allowed to meet friends and family in an outdoor setting with refreshments during the pandemic	2/23/2024 3:39 PM
172	great place to enjoy meeting and eating with friends	2/23/2024 3:29 PM
173	Eating outside like in a European city	2/23/2024 3:21 PM
174	BEING OUTDOORS	2/23/2024 3:18 PM
175	sometimes nice to sit outdoors in nature	2/23/2024 3:16 PM
176	Ridiculous.. Only the Canadian government makes decisions like this. What was the difference? You're on a patio all covered up on all sides to protect yourself from the elements when we could have just stayed indoors. Stupid decision. All of you who came up with this! Also love the mask wearing when you get up but when you were seated you were safe. Our government including Trudeau are idiots!	2/23/2024 3:09 PM
177	It is just nice to eat outside	2/23/2024 3:06 PM
178	The patios	2/23/2024 3:01 PM
179	Be outside on fresh air and enjoy the food	2/23/2024 2:45 PM
180	I like dining outdoors	2/23/2024 2:40 PM
181	good idea	2/23/2024 2:14 PM
182	Fresh air	2/23/2024 2:10 PM
183	I like eating outdoors on outdoor patios in nice weather.	2/23/2024 1:58 PM
184	Being able to enjoy a nice restaurant and also to take my dogs with me because it's on an outside area. Also makes the city more walkable.	2/23/2024 1:54 PM
185	People like to be outside when the weather is nice. Good for a sense of community.	2/23/2024 1:54 PM
186	Eating outside on a lovely day, is magical, the fresh air, and enjoying food and conversation with other diners, what's not great about a Patio?	2/23/2024 1:42 PM
187	Restaurants makes sense to have a patio and i have enjoyed the experience, weather permitting, for sure not banquet halls.	2/23/2024 1:39 PM

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188	Outdoor weather during the summer period	2/23/2024 1:38 PM
189	Patios were quieter than indoors and enjoyable when the weather is nice.	2/23/2024 1:30 PM
190	Great idea, as long as it is away from noisy traffic.	2/23/2024 1:20 PM
191	To enjoy being outdoors	2/23/2024 1:14 PM
192	enjoying the outdoors, taking in ample amount of light, elevates the mood while dining/eating out, definitely didn't feel claustrophobic as I would when sitting inside	2/23/2024 1:13 PM
193	Opportunity to enjoy outdoor dining in nice weather at many different establishments	2/23/2024 1:11 PM
194	Weather	2/23/2024 1:07 PM
195	being outside	2/23/2024 1:06 PM
196	Made for a really enjoyable dining experience!	2/23/2024 1:03 PM
197	More patio options and larger spaces	2/23/2024 12:59 PM
198	.	2/23/2024 12:58 PM
199	Gives restaurants an opportunity to make more business	2/23/2024 12:52 PM
200	People need more of the outdoors to improve mood, especially these days. Outdoor eating can help with that.	2/23/2024 12:51 PM
201	Eating comfortably outside	2/23/2024 12:49 PM
202	opportunity to spend time outdoors and away from sick people	2/23/2024 12:49 PM
203	Being outside to eat and socialize during good weather	2/23/2024 12:48 PM
204	It was a great opportunity to be outdoors and enjoy our limited good weather throughout the year. Also you didn't feel confined and as close to other patrons indoors.	2/23/2024 12:46 PM
205	Eating outdoors	2/23/2024 12:41 PM
206	I like eating outdoors. We don't get enough outdoor time living in Canada	2/23/2024 12:40 PM
207	I wanted to meetup with a friend and the outdoor space was more comfortable and if I recall correctly that shop doesn't normally have any seating but I've never sat inside if they do have. However, since I did prefer outside so I don't remember if there was indoor seating.	2/23/2024 12:31 PM
208	Just nice to have the option on 1 of the few nice nights we get	2/23/2024 12:27 PM
209	I like eating outside, I like additional seating	2/23/2024 12:26 PM
210	We are stuck inside all the time therefore an opportunity to be outside and enjoy fresh air	2/23/2024 12:17 PM
211	Summers ar short in Ontario and being outside is nice	2/23/2024 12:07 PM
212	I love being outdoors in good weather. It really helped out the small business owners in a very competitive environment. It is a win win for the customer and the restaurant owner.	2/23/2024 12:05 PM
213	The option to eat outside and enjoy the weather	2/23/2024 12:04 PM
214	To have more options for seating and enjoy the outdoors on nice days	2/23/2024 11:55 AM
215	Outdoor patios are fun and allow visitors to enjoy the outdoors during the most beautiful months of the year.	2/23/2024 11:47 AM
216	An amazing way to have an outdoor dining	2/23/2024 11:45 AM
217	More seating available, enjoyed time at the restaurant during the nice weather	2/23/2024 11:44 AM
218	Short outdoor season. Nice to be outside as much as possible while the weather allows.	2/23/2024 11:44 AM
219	It's nice to enjoy eating outdoor. It is a great ambiance.	2/23/2024 11:43 AM
220	Having outdoor patios in the pedestrian area livens up the city, and makes it a more open place	2/23/2024 11:41 AM
221	Outdoor eating - makes the neighbourhood feel lively	2/23/2024 11:41 AM

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222	I like spending more time outdoor but the place has to be inviting and it should have lots of green/flower	2/23/2024 11:41 AM
223	Ability to enjoy the outdoors. It also helps the business attract more customers, see what's being offered.	2/23/2024 11:39 AM
224	I think its time we bring normalcy n vibrancy to Vaughan snd create family friendly neighborhoods and attract business and foot traffic! Also accommodate vehicle traffic & parking	2/23/2024 11:39 AM
225	Option for incremental business opportunity	2/23/2024 11:37 AM
226	Able to enjoy the outdoors while dining.	2/23/2024 11:36 AM
227	it increased the number of opportunities to enjoy al fresco dining which I enjoy.	2/23/2024 11:36 AM
228	More flexibility to businesses, more options to customers	2/23/2024 11:35 AM
229	I liked that the program allowed business to serve customers safely during COVID.	2/23/2024 11:35 AM
230	Patios are great! Nice to dine outdoors with friends.	2/23/2024 11:33 AM
231	More seating options to enjoy the weather and view	2/23/2024 11:28 AM
232	More dining options	2/23/2024 11:26 AM
233	The more patios the better. I don't see any downside.	2/23/2024 11:23 AM
234	if patios are well groomed with proper city scape standards, they add to the appeal and social community feel of the city	2/23/2024 11:23 AM
235	Enjoy outside	2/23/2024 11:21 AM
236	More outside sitting	2/23/2024 11:21 AM
237	Being outside. Having more options Stronger feel for community	2/23/2024 11:20 AM
238	The dining experience and having the choice.	2/23/2024 11:18 AM
239	Enjoy the good weather while enjoying a good meal	2/23/2024 11:15 AM
240	the outdoor environment. It reminded me of italy	2/23/2024 11:14 AM
241	Loved eating outdoors and having the additional space.	2/23/2024 11:14 AM
242	Being outdoors when the weather is nice	2/23/2024 11:13 AM
243	Being able to eat outside and enjoy the fresh air is so imp5	2/23/2024 11:13 AM
244	We only have a short window of good weather and I always look for a restaurant with a patio when dining out with my family and friends	2/23/2024 11:13 AM
245	Ability to sit outside in the summertime	2/23/2024 11:12 AM
246	Having more dining options, getting outside, finding opportunities to walk and bike.	2/23/2024 11:11 AM
247	More seating for patrons, environment of eating outside was nice, can also eat more "smelly" foods without worrying about smell on clothes. Overall positive experience	2/23/2024 11:11 AM
248	I like the ability to go out to eat and feel safe because of covid. My daughter is immunocompromised, and I will not eat inside a restaurant. Other than that, I enjoy being outside in nice weather when I'm meeting friends so meeting outside for lunch is perfect	2/23/2024 11:10 AM
249	I love the idea of having the choice of sitting outside when the weather is beautiful	2/23/2024 11:08 AM
250	The ability to go out to eat during the pandemic.	2/23/2024 11:08 AM
251	It was a great opportunity for restaurants and banquet hall businesses to expand their seating for customers, increasing their revenue. It was also wonderful for customers to enjoy the few months of nice weather we have.	2/23/2024 11:08 AM
252	Eating outside	2/23/2024 11:08 AM

## What are your thoughts on Vaughan's Seasonal Patio Program?

253	Option to be outside. Fresh air. Acenery	2/23/2024 11:08 AM
254	Being outside to relax in the good weather. Less noisy in some experiences. A different vibe.	2/23/2024 11:07 AM
255	Choice, ability to enjoy our short summers, crispness of being outdoors while being with family and friends.	2/23/2024 11:05 AM
256	More space to eat at busy restaurants, less wait time, ability to enjoy the weather outside	2/23/2024 11:05 AM
257	Prefer outdoor dining when possible post covid Appreciate public space being used by and for the public instead of as parking Brightens up the city and adds life to the street	2/23/2024 11:05 AM
258	Something different, more European	2/23/2024 11:05 AM
259	It is an absolute pleasure to eat outside in the summer. You can also bring your dog!	2/23/2024 11:04 AM
260	Openness	2/23/2024 11:04 AM
261	Love patios!	2/23/2024 10:16 AM
262	Gives more options. I prefer dining outside.	2/23/2024 10:08 AM
263	Love to see people able to enjoy the outdoors as much as possible, plus hope that it brings more business to restaurants	2/21/2024 6:02 PM
264	Provided additional space to enjoy dining outdoors.	2/21/2024 3:58 PM
265	gave the city a nice sense of community & vibrancy. it was wonderful to have in the summer & fall times. wish you guys would bring it back to allow the restaurants to create more spaces for diners	2/21/2024 3:46 PM
266	I would like to see more of it	2/21/2024 3:00 PM
267	We need more space to sit, relax and enjoy in Vaughan other wise it usually feels like a dead space where everything closes at 9pm. You literally have to go to downtown Toronto to live.	2/21/2024 9:17 AM
268	More access to outdoor seating at more venues in nice weather days.	2/20/2024 3:32 PM
269	Fresh outdoor air and bonus points for nice scenery	2/20/2024 2:46 PM
270	Fresh air !	2/20/2024 2:17 PM
271	Enjoying outdoors, more availability at restaurant	2/20/2024 2:06 PM
272	Enjoying the nice weather	2/20/2024 9:47 AM
273	More choices for customers	2/20/2024 9:08 AM
274	That businesses had the opportunity to attend to their customers outdoors enjoying fresh air.	2/20/2024 7:30 AM
275	Been ng outside in fresh air	2/19/2024 10:33 PM
276	Outdoor dining	2/19/2024 8:21 PM
277	Offered a different choice	2/19/2024 7:58 PM
278	Nice to have more options	2/19/2024 3:08 PM
279	Love the option of dining in or outside. We have such short warm weather days...why	2/19/2024 11:23 AM
280	Everthing	2/19/2024 10:54 AM
281	More options for outdoor dining in the summer months. Vaughan does not currently have a lot of patio options for dining.	2/19/2024 10:12 AM
282	Summer patios are great!	2/19/2024 7:41 AM
283	Ability to enjoy time outside. Less crowds inside restaurants.	2/19/2024 1:29 AM
284	I love to eat outside and many restaurants that didn't have patios before opened them.	2/18/2024 11:45 PM
285	Lovely outdoors while dining	2/18/2024 8:50 PM
286	If the weather is nice, it's great to dine outdoors	2/18/2024 8:25 PM



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287	It was good to have the ability to be outside on a lovely spring/summer day.	2/18/2024 5:24 PM
288	being able to sit outside	2/18/2024 2:21 PM
289	The ability to sit outside in the nice weather.	2/18/2024 9:39 AM
290	You could sit outside	2/18/2024 9:00 AM
291	More areas to sit	2/17/2024 10:55 PM
292	Excellent idea allow people to enjoy the outside	2/17/2024 10:01 PM
293	Being able to go out and enjoy my meal /coffee/drink outside in the good weather	2/17/2024 8:27 PM
294	If I go out in the summer, I'd like to eat al fresco..or I can stay home and est in my backyard	2/17/2024 8:24 PM
295	Opportunity to be outside Enjoying the weather	2/17/2024 5:44 PM
296	Outdoors	2/17/2024 5:38 PM
297	Outdoor patios in Kleinburg parking lots that don't normally have access to patios	2/17/2024 3:38 PM
298	How creative some restaurants were in creating patios, enjoyed the option to enjoy good weather while eating, not being cooped up indoors	2/17/2024 3:33 PM
299	- An additional space to enjoy the outdoor weather	2/17/2024 2:29 PM
300	Enjoy being outside dining	2/17/2024 10:15 AM
301	Spending time outdoors.	2/17/2024 9:54 AM
302	Being outdoors	2/17/2024 9:36 AM
303	Getting more sun with every possible occasion	2/17/2024 9:13 AM
304	Having an outdoor dining experience	2/17/2024 9:05 AM
305	Ability to be outdoors made businesses more appealing to frequent	2/17/2024 8:32 AM
306	Community feeling	2/17/2024 8:22 AM
307	Nice to sit outside on a nice day.	2/17/2024 8:06 AM
308	Being able to sit outside - enjoy the weather, sunshine, being outdoors during a pandemic, etc.	2/17/2024 7:57 AM
309	Great atmosphere	2/17/2024 7:39 AM
310	Being outdoors and not cramped indoors with people seated too close to you	2/17/2024 7:38 AM
311	Being outdoors while enjoying a lovely meal.	2/17/2024 6:46 AM
312	Extra space. More trendy feel	2/17/2024 5:27 AM
313	Provided more patio selections to attend	2/17/2024 12:43 AM
314	Fresh air and sun	2/17/2024 12:36 AM
315	Love eating outside when the weather permits. Summer is short we should try to enjoy it as much as possible!	2/16/2024 11:28 PM
316	Allowed customers (myself and others) to use an outdoor space that previously didn't exist and utilizing space that isn't used (such as a seasonal patio in a parking lot)	2/16/2024 11:21 PM
317	Summers are short and we want to enjoy the weather outdoors as much as possible.	2/16/2024 10:53 PM
318	More opportunities to eat outdoors and avoid illness.	2/16/2024 10:39 PM
319	Selection of restaurants Option to dine without concerns of air quality and catching Covid or other respiratory illnesses	2/16/2024 10:22 PM
320	Being outside	2/16/2024 10:17 PM
321	The ability to enjoy nice weather while dining or socializing with a beverage	2/16/2024 9:33 PM
322	It is always nice to enjoy the outdoors in the summer months	2/16/2024 8:50 PM

## What are your thoughts on Vaughan's Seasonal Patio Program?

323	Being outdoors	2/16/2024 8:38 PM
324	I'm not sure if I have attended a temp patio but welcome the opportunity to be a patron at these patios this year.	2/16/2024 8:38 PM
325	Eating outside.	2/16/2024 7:57 PM
326	We love being outdoors the warmer months of the year so we would love to see this program come back!	2/16/2024 7:53 PM
327	Ability to dine outside!	2/16/2024 6:54 PM
328	The ability to get outdoors for a meal	2/16/2024 6:36 PM
329	the ability to sit outside, as well as the opportunity to have greater space when dining.	2/16/2024 6:25 PM
330	Opportunity to eat outdoors	2/16/2024 6:08 PM
331	It's a nice way to enjoy the weather and support local businesses.	2/16/2024 5:49 PM
332	Enjoy outdoor dining. Allows restaurants to have more capacity.	2/16/2024 5:32 PM
333	Great alternative for outdoor dining	2/16/2024 5:22 PM
334	Enjoyed outdoors and more social	2/16/2024 5:20 PM
335	Being outdoors. Eating outdoors.	2/16/2024 5:14 PM
336	Spreading out, enjoying weather	2/16/2024 4:42 PM
337	We all loved that it felt free, and finally coming to how the rest of the world operates. In France and Italy, you literally have the best meals in parking lots, or sectioned off areas of the street. Feels good to get fresh air after our long winters.	2/16/2024 4:27 PM
338	Added a European flavour, and ambience to the meal.	2/16/2024 4:11 PM
339	when the weather is good, it is best to be outside. As long as traffic, pedestrian, motor vehicles, bicycles, are not detrimentally affected then outdoor patio's should be allowed, On a case by case basis.	2/16/2024 3:59 PM
340	I love the opportunity to enjoy the good weather. Patios are often more pleasant than eating indoors.	2/16/2024 3:55 PM
341	Any opportunity to sit outside in nice weather is amazing. It's a great way to enjoy the summer and a great way to make out community more friendly.	2/16/2024 3:52 PM
342	I love eating outside when the weather is nice and during Covid it allowed businesses to welcome more people.	2/16/2024 3:52 PM
343	Summer is short! Anything that provides enhanced opportunities to be outside is a great idea.	2/16/2024 3:51 PM
344	During COVID it allowed me to dine out with greater confidence in the safety of my health. Additional patio options was also appealing just because outdoor dining is fun.	2/16/2024 3:49 PM
345	having access to restaurants when everything was closed down.	2/16/2024 3:46 PM
346	Additional outdoor options for cosumers Opportunities for Food business	2/16/2024 3:43 PM
347	Easy access to eat in a safe environment, more revenue for businesses	2/16/2024 3:40 PM
348	Being able to get out, in a secure/safe place	2/16/2024 3:27 PM
349	Great idea to help small business during nice weather.	2/16/2024 3:22 PM
350	Got to enjoy fresh air.	2/16/2024 3:16 PM
351	More patios	2/16/2024 3:15 PM
352	A good way to keep restaurants in business during the pandemic.	2/16/2024 3:15 PM
353	Enjoying being outdoors	2/16/2024 3:11 PM
354	Eating at a restaurant during the pandemic!	2/16/2024 3:07 PM

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355	love being outside and to eat (fresh air ) more space	2/16/2024 3:06 PM
356	Outdoor dining making the most of our limited summer weather. Too much reliance on cars/parking lots in suburbs so nice to have people take some space back	2/16/2024 3:04 PM
357	being outside.	2/16/2024 3:03 PM

## Q18 What did you dislike about the program?

Answered: 34 Skipped: 470

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Hopeful there is no loitering at business establishments and other unsavoury "activities"	2/29/2024 12:40 PM
2	Areas were too cluttered	2/27/2024 2:46 PM
3	the surroundings should be prettier and not just a parking lot	2/27/2024 8:19 AM
4	Dk	2/24/2024 7:34 AM
5	Noise	2/24/2024 7:30 AM
6	In the way	2/23/2024 10:08 PM
7	The impact on parking availability	2/23/2024 8:23 PM
8	Bees! Wasps! Not enough shade!	2/23/2024 8:20 PM
9	It was COLD	2/23/2024 6:31 PM
10	Too busy outside cafes n restaurants	2/23/2024 5:25 PM
11	If the weather was bad couldn't go out	2/23/2024 5:01 PM
12	Crowding on streets	2/23/2024 3:54 PM
13	Does it interfere with traffic? is traffic noisy?	2/23/2024 3:16 PM
14	These poor businesses spent so much money to meet the government protocols just to stay afloat. 6 feet apart, plexiglass, masks. Retards	2/23/2024 3:09 PM
15	Takes up too much space and tough to walk by.	2/23/2024 2:33 PM
16	the set up sometimes was not safe or professional	2/23/2024 1:06 PM
17	.	2/23/2024 12:58 PM
18	Not enough options in my area (kleinburg)	2/23/2024 12:04 PM
19	It sometimes took up space for cars, too close to the street, and caused congestion on sidewalks or roads.	2/23/2024 11:55 AM
20	The space taken by the patios is better used for outdoor and pedestrian activities such as walking and bicycle riding.	2/23/2024 11:27 AM
21	I think it was fine during covid bc of social distancing requirements. Now that social distancing is not required, I don't think it's necessary to have temporary patios in a parking lot for example. I'm not sure about the safety of that, aesthetics, and impacts on parking/traffic.	2/23/2024 11:15 AM
22	It was helpful. It's time to retire it. Between bike lanes, constructions, and patios, it's hard to drive and also hard to navigate as a pedestrian.	2/23/2024 11:09 AM
23	These temporary patio areas took away on site parking spaces, creating issues with people parking illegally and trespassing onto other properties. These outdoor patio's with live bands / DJ's created excessive noise, even past 11 pm. In addition, the relaxed rules also created consumption of alcohol in public areas (outside of the designated areas) but also smoking within these patio areas. The temp patio program served its purpose and we need to go back by respecting the original by-laws in place.	2/21/2024 12:02 AM
24	Unsafe sidewalks and pavement from parking lots. Pathways were often broken and uneven. Also not very sanitary with exhaust from vehicles entering the eating area.	2/19/2024 3:08 PM
25	Too enclosed	2/17/2024 5:38 PM

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26	Disrupting communities	2/17/2024 3:31 PM
27	To much of a disruption to homes roads and other businesses	2/17/2024 3:27 PM
28	extra customers, Not extra washrooms . People taking alcoholic drinks out of area: to their bikes/cars. Sitting in a Parking Lot is Low Class even for Vaughan. Also Unsafe for patrons to be seated on drive/Lots with cars parking etc..	2/16/2024 6:59 PM
29	Didn't like eating in parking lots. Would love more patio options in Vaughan.	2/16/2024 6:08 PM
30	Traffic is congested enough - I do not want to have the number of accessible roads reduced due to the set up restaurant patios.	2/16/2024 5:01 PM
31	The shady structures that were a quick build and not proper.	2/16/2024 4:42 PM
32	The tents filling parking spots so less parking. Not enjoyable to sit at a table outside with cars parked or moving a few feet away. Pedestrians or cyclists also passing within a metre of tables.	2/16/2024 3:39 PM
33	Only an option during the few summer months.	2/16/2024 3:15 PM
34	Eating in basically a parking lot was a little strange	2/16/2024 3:07 PM

## Q19 Do you have any suggestions for how the City could improve the program?

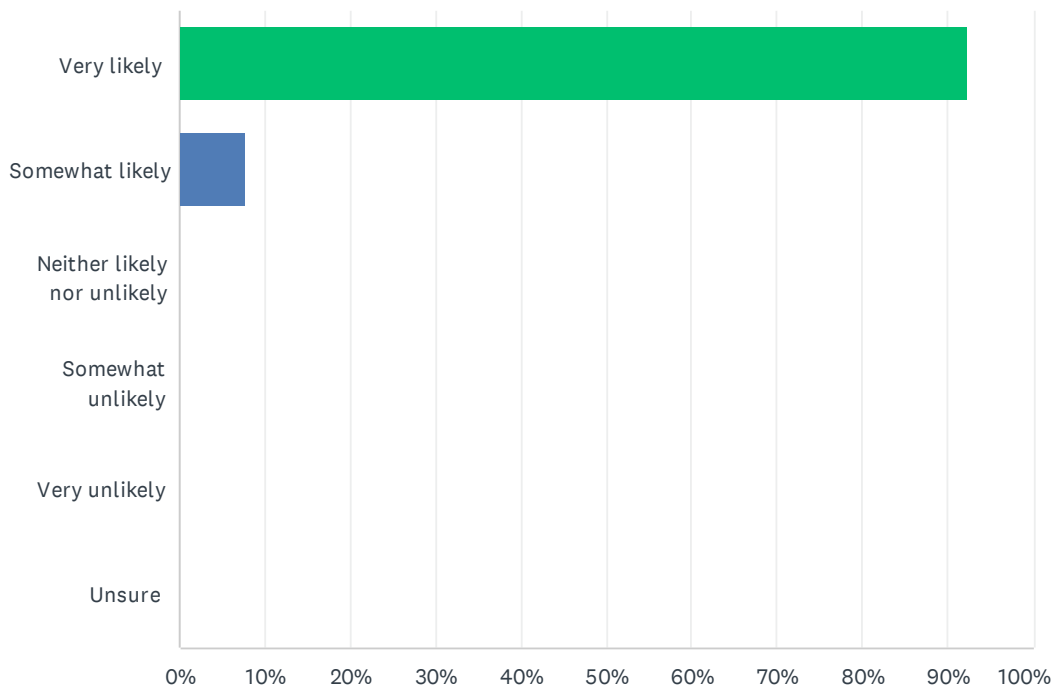
Answered: 8 Skipped: 496

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Please continue with this program. Participants should use commercial grade materials. There were too many "cheap tents" scattered on patios and those did nothing for the "look" and may have deterred the city to continue the program	3/3/2024 2:57 PM
2	For small businesses every expense counts. So as long as the patio is on private properties this program works	2/27/2024 2:29 PM
3	call a meeting with the representative of the hospitality to discuss the opportunity to have a patio, set a reglamentation with clear rules for everybody	2/27/2024 12:12 PM
4	Be more open to allowing patios on private property and areas in plazas that are designated as City lands...	2/26/2024 6:30 PM
5	By not allowing condo corporations refuse or not allow as many condo. Corporations are selfish, and only think of themselves.	2/26/2024 12:39 PM
6	Let restaurants do what they want with minimal red tape.	2/23/2024 11:24 AM
7	No	2/17/2024 8:29 AM
8	Allow more permits	2/17/2024 5:28 AM



## Q20 If the program was made permanent on a seasonal basis, what is your likelihood of participating?

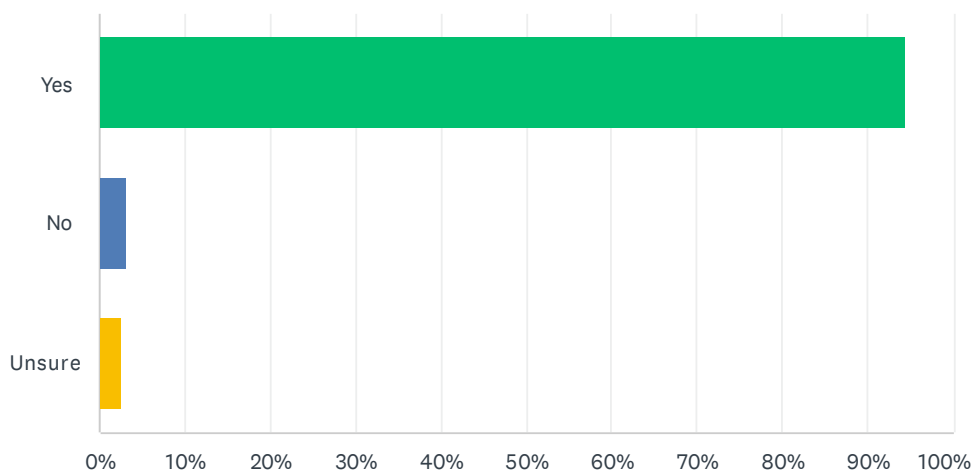
Answered: 13 Skipped: 491



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very likely	92.31%	12
Somewhat likely	7.69%	1
Neither likely nor unlikely	0.00%	0
Somewhat unlikely	0.00%	0
Very unlikely	0.00%	0
Unsure	0.00%	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>13</b>

### Q21 Do you support seasonal outdoor patios operating in Vaughan?

Answered: 444 Skipped: 60



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	94.37%	419
No	3.15%	14
Unsure	2.48%	11
TOTAL		444

## Q22 Do you have any concerns about the City making the program permanent on a seasonal basis?

Answered: 349 Skipped: 155

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	no.	3/7/2024 10:16 PM
2	I just hope they allow it.	3/6/2024 11:46 PM
3	no	3/6/2024 9:04 PM
4	Noise. Crowds. Loitering. Garbage.	3/5/2024 9:34 PM
5	No	3/5/2024 2:55 PM
6	Keep them regulated and meet all standards set by city!	3/5/2024 2:32 PM
7	No, as long as they are safe and sanitary	3/5/2024 2:03 PM
8	No	3/5/2024 10:08 AM
9	No	3/5/2024 7:33 AM
10	no	3/4/2024 10:58 PM
11	No as long as all businesses participating are in good standing with the standard/expected practices of the city.	3/4/2024 10:29 PM
12	Na	3/4/2024 3:55 PM
13	No	3/4/2024 3:17 PM
14	No. Go for it. What are the negatives? People might enjoy themselves a bit.	3/4/2024 2:47 PM
15	Less parking spots maybe, more traffic?	3/4/2024 1:08 PM
16	Absolutely not. The Province, through the AGCO, has endorsed these programs.	3/3/2024 3:00 PM
17	I do not, I would to understand the City's concerns	3/3/2024 9:05 AM
18	No, but prefer ones that are not located on a concrete jungle. Some green area away from traffic better.	3/2/2024 4:59 PM
19	No problem	3/2/2024 2:39 PM
20	No	3/1/2024 9:36 PM
21	Not at all	3/1/2024 7:40 PM
22	No	3/1/2024 7:03 PM
23	No. Very positive venture to keep people healthier and connected, able to share experiences together outdoors with less worries about pathogens, viruses.	3/1/2024 6:28 PM
24	No	3/1/2024 1:57 PM
25	No	3/1/2024 12:59 PM
26	No	3/1/2024 12:46 PM
27	No, I don't see why this has not already been done or why it was removed.	3/1/2024 10:51 AM
28	None	3/1/2024 8:57 AM
29	no	2/29/2024 9:18 PM
30	No	2/29/2024 8:04 PM

## What are your thoughts on Vaughan's Seasonal Patio Program?

31	No	2/29/2024 5:59 PM
32	No	2/29/2024 4:57 PM
33	Great	2/29/2024 4:37 PM
34	My only concern would be in highly populated areas with limited roadways/parking. I trust that proper planning and safety precautions will be made by the city.	2/29/2024 3:24 PM
35	No - as long as there is still ample parking	2/29/2024 3:13 PM
36	N/A	2/29/2024 12:40 PM
37	No concerns.	2/29/2024 12:18 PM
38	No....they should be permanent	2/29/2024 12:10 PM
39	No	2/29/2024 10:26 AM
40	no	2/29/2024 10:24 AM
41	No	2/29/2024 10:09 AM
42	Not at all.	2/29/2024 9:52 AM
43	None. Let's do it.	2/28/2024 11:00 PM
44	No	2/28/2024 10:59 PM
45	No	2/28/2024 10:57 PM
46	No	2/28/2024 10:54 PM
47	Np	2/28/2024 10:37 PM
48	No	2/28/2024 5:01 PM
49	No	2/28/2024 11:56 AM
50	None	2/28/2024 8:52 AM
51	Depends on how intrusively it intereferes with driving and parking.	2/28/2024 1:57 AM
52	No concerns with the patio themselves but the cars around it can make it unpleasant with their exhaust, revving, and speeding.	2/27/2024 9:14 PM
53	No	2/27/2024 7:35 PM
54	No concern unless the patio interferes with usual pedestrian walkways to other businesses on the property	2/27/2024 6:08 PM
55	No, but I am open to being educated on any concerns. Parking? Traffic?	2/27/2024 3:18 PM
56	As long as the area is kept clean and garbage does not become an issue, I don't see any other issues.	2/27/2024 3:01 PM
57	Yes	2/27/2024 2:46 PM
58	No	2/27/2024 2:29 PM
59	have a rule same for everybody and don't let this program become wild and confusing	2/27/2024 12:14 PM
60	Ensure adequate protection from vehicles. Appropriate barriers (not signs) to prevent drivers from injuring vulnerable pedestrians and customers seated in patios	2/27/2024 9:12 AM
61	No	2/27/2024 8:49 AM
62	no	2/27/2024 8:41 AM
63	no, it should always be allowed to have outdoor seating	2/27/2024 8:20 AM
64	No.	2/27/2024 6:11 AM
65	Not at all - it has worked great the last many years.	2/27/2024 2:36 AM

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66	no	2/26/2024 10:44 PM
67	No	2/26/2024 9:55 PM
68	No concerns at all. Please approve this. In fact, encourage them to do this all year round.	2/26/2024 8:38 PM
69	No	2/26/2024 6:31 PM
70	No	2/26/2024 5:06 PM
71	No	2/26/2024 3:30 PM
72	NIL	2/26/2024 1:10 PM
73	How will this affect parking?	2/26/2024 11:21 AM
74	please ensure the rules are enforced, i know some restaurants have live music and this could be a nuisance to neighbouring residents	2/26/2024 11:10 AM
75	Not at all	2/26/2024 9:27 AM
76	As long as it doesn't impede with the roads	2/26/2024 7:20 AM
77	No	2/26/2024 7:03 AM
78	No	2/25/2024 9:40 PM
79	No concerns	2/25/2024 6:18 PM
80	No	2/25/2024 5:56 PM
81	it would be very nice	2/25/2024 4:59 PM
82	No	2/25/2024 4:35 PM
83	No.	2/25/2024 3:34 PM
84	No.	2/25/2024 1:52 PM
85	No	2/25/2024 1:38 PM
86	No, as long as accessibility (also for strollers) and safety regulations (fire exits) are considered.	2/25/2024 12:33 PM
87	None. Go for it.	2/25/2024 12:15 PM
88	None	2/25/2024 8:53 AM
89	No	2/25/2024 8:31 AM
90	No concerns	2/25/2024 8:13 AM
91	Ensure no smoking no vaping,etc	2/24/2024 9:51 PM
92	Absolutely! Not. I think i is a fantastic idea sought of an European look to it.	2/24/2024 9:40 PM
93	No.	2/24/2024 7:30 PM
94	no	2/24/2024 6:58 PM
95	No	2/24/2024 5:27 PM
96	no, as long as pedestrian walkways are still accessible	2/24/2024 2:43 PM
97	- Safety (as many temporary patios are within parkin lots) - Accessibility (as many temporary patios are crammed with tables and chairs)	2/24/2024 2:23 PM
98	No.	2/24/2024 2:02 PM
99	Absolutely not, only positive thoughts about outdoor patios	2/24/2024 1:56 PM
100	No concern. More business; more progress.	2/24/2024 1:28 PM
101	No	2/24/2024 1:02 PM
102	No, as long as they meet health and safety standards.	2/24/2024 12:36 PM

## What are your thoughts on Vaughan's Seasonal Patio Program?

103	No, it's a great way to get people outside more.	2/24/2024 12:34 PM
104	no concerns	2/24/2024 12:08 PM
105	No	2/24/2024 11:43 AM
106	no	2/24/2024 11:38 AM
107	No	2/24/2024 10:04 AM
108	no	2/24/2024 9:49 AM
109	No. All great cities of the world that people want to visit have lots of outdoor patios.	2/24/2024 9:25 AM
110	Not really	2/24/2024 9:17 AM
111	None	2/24/2024 8:57 AM
112	No	2/24/2024 8:37 AM
113	Should be away from heavy car traffic area	2/24/2024 8:21 AM
114	None	2/24/2024 7:30 AM
115	Only concern is for safety from nearby	2/24/2024 7:23 AM
116	My only concern is that some restaurants placed their patios in parking lots which reduced parking spaces.	2/24/2024 7:12 AM
117	None	2/24/2024 2:51 AM
118	None	2/24/2024 12:12 AM
119	No	2/23/2024 11:48 PM
120	No	2/23/2024 11:03 PM
121	Must meet all regular lic requirements	2/23/2024 10:09 PM
122	No	2/23/2024 10:07 PM
123	no...please re-start them	2/23/2024 9:49 PM
124	No.	2/23/2024 8:57 PM
125	Traffic and parking consideration to be fair to all residents	2/23/2024 8:25 PM
126	No	2/23/2024 8:21 PM
127	No concerns	2/23/2024 8:18 PM
128	No	2/23/2024 8:03 PM
129	No	2/23/2024 8:00 PM
130	No	2/23/2024 7:56 PM
131	Yes, I am not in favour of what the City of Toronto does, i.e. allow a lane of traffic to be converted to a patio. That's ridiculous - traffic is a thru way that is already difficult enough to traverse.	2/23/2024 7:39 PM
132	No	2/23/2024 7:28 PM
133	no	2/23/2024 7:20 PM
134	No	2/23/2024 7:01 PM
135	None	2/23/2024 6:52 PM
136	NO	2/23/2024 6:40 PM
137	Depends where located	2/23/2024 6:31 PM
138	No but I also am nit aware of potential issues. My assumption is that the city has already considered concerns that may have arisen in the past	2/23/2024 6:25 PM



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139	No concerns. Please make it permanent	2/23/2024 6:21 PM
140	No.	2/23/2024 5:27 PM
141	No	2/23/2024 5:26 PM
142	Streets too busy n crowded	2/23/2024 5:25 PM
143	Only that garbage should be removed by restraint employees so there is no issue with bees, birds, etc	2/23/2024 5:25 PM
144	Only concerned about potential noise issues in different neighborhoods. Especially as it gets later into evenings.	2/23/2024 5:23 PM
145	no	2/23/2024 5:14 PM
146	As long as they do not block pedestrian walkways or assistance for disabled persons.	2/23/2024 5:13 PM
147	no	2/23/2024 5:08 PM
148	No concerns	2/23/2024 5:03 PM
149	No	2/23/2024 5:01 PM
150	No	2/23/2024 4:58 PM
151	No, as long as they keep the area clean and there is room	2/23/2024 4:57 PM
152	None .	2/23/2024 4:37 PM
153	No provided that regulations are set in regards to keeping the grounds around the patios clean from garbage.	2/23/2024 4:33 PM
154	Safety from nearby traffic, if applicable	2/23/2024 4:29 PM
155	No	2/23/2024 4:20 PM
156	No	2/23/2024 4:16 PM
157	No	2/23/2024 4:16 PM
158	No	2/23/2024 3:54 PM
159	No.	2/23/2024 3:50 PM
160	No	2/23/2024 3:47 PM
161	As long as the patios don't take up all the parking spots in a mall and do not create more traffic congestion if they are in a main road	2/23/2024 3:43 PM
162	no	2/23/2024 3:39 PM
163	no	2/23/2024 3:30 PM
164	No	2/23/2024 3:21 PM
165	no	2/23/2024 3:19 PM
166	No	2/23/2024 3:17 PM
167	concern regarding permanency not clear where these would be located	2/23/2024 3:17 PM
168	Patios should be open at all times, not just for a 99.1% survival rate of a flu	2/23/2024 3:11 PM
169	no	2/23/2024 3:02 PM
170	No	2/23/2024 2:47 PM
171	No	2/23/2024 2:40 PM
172	It's a terrible idea.	2/23/2024 2:33 PM
173	no	2/23/2024 2:15 PM
174	As long as the music is kept down	2/23/2024 2:11 PM

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175	Just make sure there is enough parking (if the patio is in a parking lot) and that food is cleaned up promptly from the tables (I assume it would be.)	2/23/2024 2:01 PM
176	No	2/23/2024 1:55 PM
177	No	2/23/2024 1:55 PM
178	No	2/23/2024 1:43 PM
179	Yes only for restaurants	2/23/2024 1:39 PM
180	No	2/23/2024 1:21 PM
181	No	2/23/2024 1:14 PM
182	no	2/23/2024 1:14 PM
183	Its an opportunity for restaurants and banquet halls to expand their footprint. Make it easy for them to apply and conform.	2/23/2024 1:13 PM
184	if its on private property why is the city involved	2/23/2024 1:09 PM
185	No	2/23/2024 1:08 PM
186	No	2/23/2024 1:05 PM
187	No	2/23/2024 1:03 PM
188	No	2/23/2024 12:59 PM
189	Do not block traffic lanes. Ensure appropriate permits are required and enforced	2/23/2024 12:59 PM
190	As long as the program is safe and not causing undue hardship like blocking road lanes etc, I can't see why we wouldn't keep this program.	2/23/2024 12:52 PM
191	Nope	2/23/2024 12:52 PM
192	No	2/23/2024 12:50 PM
193	Need to manage noise closely affecting surrounding homes and other businesses.	2/23/2024 12:50 PM
194	no	2/23/2024 12:49 PM
195	Absolutely none.	2/23/2024 12:49 PM
196	If you go ahead with this,i hope that you won't make it expensive for the restaurants.At the end of the day they are already suffering and this is meant to help them.	2/23/2024 12:47 PM
197	None	2/23/2024 12:41 PM
198	Nope. Season should be extended into spring and fall	2/23/2024 12:41 PM
199	Ensure that guests don't dirty the roads, side walks.	2/23/2024 12:38 PM
200	No, I think it's a good idea.	2/23/2024 12:31 PM
201	no	2/23/2024 12:28 PM
202	No	2/23/2024 12:26 PM
203	No concerns	2/23/2024 12:18 PM
204	N/A	2/23/2024 12:08 PM
205	No	2/23/2024 12:06 PM
206	No	2/23/2024 12:05 PM
207	There should be careful consideration when allowing certain businesses to expand, if it eliminates road space or parking then they will lose business. Not every place in Vaughan is within walking distance so considering vehicles and where they can park is important too.	2/23/2024 12:01 PM
208	No	2/23/2024 11:48 AM

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209	No, as long as pedestrians and cyclist have a safe way of going around it	2/23/2024 11:46 AM
210	Possibly affecting the parking spaces available.	2/23/2024 11:44 AM
211	No concerns	2/23/2024 11:44 AM
212	No	2/23/2024 11:44 AM
213	No	2/23/2024 11:43 AM
214	no	2/23/2024 11:42 AM
215	Just ensuring that safety measures (barriers) are strictly enforced and if parking spaces are being taken out, the displaced vehicles will have somewhere to park and not cause too much congestion. There should be a "breadcrumb trail" which advises patrons where alternative parking spots are. Posting the answer where the question is asked will be helpful.	2/23/2024 11:41 AM
216	None pls consider parking too	2/23/2024 11:40 AM
217	No	2/23/2024 11:38 AM
218	No	2/23/2024 11:37 AM
219	No.	2/23/2024 11:37 AM
220	Yes, that related infrastructure is not considered (for example, seating capacity is added but parking spots are reduced)	2/23/2024 11:36 AM
221	Sometimes the seasonal patios can block too much of the sidewalk or parking lot, even though they are being operated within the guidelines of the program. The ease of passage for pedestrians should always come first.	2/23/2024 11:36 AM
222	No	2/23/2024 11:33 AM
223	No concerns	2/23/2024 11:28 AM
224	Yes. My concern is that the patios sprawl into what should be open space, parking space, walking space, etc.	2/23/2024 11:28 AM
225	No	2/23/2024 11:26 AM
226	None	2/23/2024 11:24 AM
227	no	2/23/2024 11:24 AM
228	No	2/23/2024 11:22 AM
229	No	2/23/2024 11:22 AM
230	No	2/23/2024 11:21 AM
231	No concerns.	2/23/2024 11:21 AM
232	Regular bylaw & food safety inspections of locations & enforcement of rules. Extended evening hour "noise" near residential areas.	2/23/2024 11:16 AM
233	See my comment above regarding safety, aesthetics, and concerns about parking/traffic	2/23/2024 11:16 AM
234	No	2/23/2024 11:15 AM
235	how it might affect traffic. I am big on traffic. BIG	2/23/2024 11:15 AM
236	Don't use road ways for patio space.	2/23/2024 11:15 AM
237	No	2/23/2024 11:13 AM
238	No	2/23/2024 11:11 AM
239	Noise levels for homes near restaurants	2/23/2024 11:11 AM
240	No	2/23/2024 11:10 AM
241	Impact on pedestrian traffic; impact on road traffic	2/23/2024 11:10 AM
242	No	2/23/2024 11:09 AM

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243	N/A	2/23/2024 11:09 AM
244	No	2/23/2024 11:09 AM
245	None at all	2/23/2024 11:08 AM
246	No. Just proper licensing and inspections as per normal.	2/23/2024 11:07 AM
247	No	2/23/2024 11:06 AM
248	No	2/23/2024 11:05 AM
249	None!	2/23/2024 11:05 AM
250	Only concern would be ensuring it does not impinge on the barrier free path of travel	2/23/2024 11:05 AM
251	nope	2/23/2024 10:16 AM
252	Concerns from neighbors should be addressed. The process to revoke the permit should be clear and brought into effect quickly. There will always be a few bad apples.	2/23/2024 10:11 AM
253	No concerns	2/21/2024 6:03 PM
254	No.	2/21/2024 3:58 PM
255	not at all	2/21/2024 3:47 PM
256	No	2/21/2024 3:01 PM
257	No. Not if it is done smart.	2/21/2024 9:19 AM
258	Yes, the by-laws and site specific approvals in place on properties with these uses will no longer be applicable and essentially useless. These patios allowed for more occupancy than what the establishment was approved for, creating over occupancy and safety concerns.	2/21/2024 12:09 AM
259	no	2/20/2024 7:14 PM
260	No	2/20/2024 3:32 PM
261	No	2/20/2024 3:18 PM
262	No.	2/20/2024 2:46 PM
263	Generally speaking no concerns . Only that Business's should be held accountable for their surroundings and keep their patios clean / garbage collection at all times .	2/20/2024 2:19 PM
264	No	2/20/2024 2:06 PM
265	No	2/20/2024 9:47 AM
266	Crowded sidewalks, parking spaces	2/20/2024 9:08 AM
267	No	2/20/2024 7:30 AM
268	Nope	2/19/2024 10:34 PM
269	None	2/19/2024 8:21 PM
270	Potential impacts on traffic, potential impacts on waste management and sanitation of patio areas. Need to ensure food preparation doesn't occur on such patios unless the area meets the requirements of the food premises regulations	2/19/2024 8:00 PM
271	Car / traffic exhaust must not enter eating area and sidewalks and pavement need to be fixed or paved evenly to provide a safe surface for walking	2/19/2024 3:09 PM
272	Nope	2/19/2024 11:23 AM
273	No	2/19/2024 10:54 AM
274	No	2/19/2024 7:42 AM
275	No. I think it would be a great program to offer businesses in Vaughan on a permanent basis.	2/19/2024 1:30 AM
276	no	2/18/2024 11:46 PM

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277	No	2/18/2024 8:50 PM
278	No.	2/18/2024 5:27 PM
279	No	2/18/2024 11:44 AM
280	No concerns.	2/18/2024 9:40 AM
281	Litter	2/18/2024 9:01 AM
282	No	2/17/2024 10:01 PM
283	No	2/17/2024 8:28 PM
284	No	2/17/2024 8:25 PM
285	Need to be selective on locations. Need to watch putting them in residential areas or on properties that border homes, etc	2/17/2024 5:49 PM
286	No	2/17/2024 5:38 PM
287	Lack of parking	2/17/2024 3:38 PM
288	Nope. Let's support our businesses, get people out and about and add some vibrancy to a suburban city	2/17/2024 3:34 PM
289	Yes would be a disaster for surrounding communities	2/17/2024 3:29 PM
290	No	2/17/2024 2:33 PM
291	I'm worried it would impede traffic on roads	2/17/2024 11:57 AM
292	No	2/17/2024 9:14 AM
293	Not at this time	2/17/2024 9:06 AM
294	No	2/17/2024 8:29 AM
295	No	2/17/2024 8:22 AM
296	No	2/17/2024 8:08 AM
297	No	2/17/2024 7:58 AM
298	Restaurants taking up parking spaces and the closing of road lanes to accommodate this. If the restaurant does not have a sidewalk that they can expand into, then not allowed. DO NOT allow restaurants to take up road lanes like in Toronto! We don't need more traffic!	2/17/2024 7:41 AM
299	No	2/17/2024 7:39 AM
300	No	2/17/2024 7:00 AM
301	None	2/17/2024 6:47 AM
302	No	2/17/2024 6:24 AM
303	No	2/17/2024 5:28 AM
304	no as long as they are run in a safe and proper area	2/17/2024 12:44 AM
305	No	2/17/2024 12:37 AM
306	No	2/16/2024 11:28 PM
307	Absolutely not	2/16/2024 11:23 PM
308	No concerns.	2/16/2024 10:54 PM
309	No	2/16/2024 10:39 PM
310	No should be allowed as long as weather is good	2/16/2024 10:25 PM
311	No	2/16/2024 10:23 PM
312	No	2/16/2024 10:17 PM

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313	As long as it is safe and doesn't take away too much parking or interfere in any way	2/16/2024 9:34 PM
314	I do not think it is appropriate for restaurants to place there patio in a parking lot, on the actual parking spots. It takes away the parking from the plaza, along with it is not the nicest atmosphere (or smell) while eating there. The permits should only be allowed is there is actual space for a patio, not on the parking lot floor.	2/16/2024 8:54 PM
315	None	2/16/2024 8:39 PM
316	Not at all	2/16/2024 8:38 PM
317	No	2/16/2024 8:19 PM
318	No	2/16/2024 7:58 PM
319	no	2/16/2024 7:54 PM
320	It must be in initial plan of establishment, to al codes. Not some after thought; that only 'friends' of politicians get allowances to have. Things like this give Vaughan a bad (corrupt) image.	2/16/2024 7:04 PM
321	None except for the recommendation of or bylaw for relevant protection for patrons in those areas with vehicular traffic adjacent to the dining area.	2/16/2024 6:38 PM
322	I would try it again for a year or terri again and reassess.	2/16/2024 6:26 PM
323	No	2/16/2024 5:49 PM
324	No	2/16/2024 5:32 PM
325	No	2/16/2024 5:22 PM
326	No	2/16/2024 5:20 PM
327	No	2/16/2024 5:15 PM
328	See previous opinion - only on private property - not on public roads.	2/16/2024 5:02 PM
329	I would suggest a trial with certain requirements and standards to be met and reviewed for a period of time then consider permanency.	2/16/2024 4:45 PM
330	No	2/16/2024 4:35 PM
331	None	2/16/2024 4:27 PM
332	No	2/16/2024 4:12 PM
333	Not much, but each year each case needs to be reviewed and re-approved.	2/16/2024 4:01 PM
334	None at all. Please make them permanent.	2/16/2024 3:55 PM
335	No, as long as access to sidewalks and walkways are not obstructed.	2/16/2024 3:53 PM
336	No	2/16/2024 3:52 PM
337	none	2/16/2024 3:52 PM
338	no concerns	2/16/2024 3:50 PM
339	Yes, it is unsightly and not a pleasant environment to eat food. This country has a short summer and taking up parking spaces for tables to encourage eating outside with the noise and close proximity to pedestrians, moving cars and cyclists is not an inviting atmosphere.	2/16/2024 3:48 PM
340	no	2/16/2024 3:47 PM
341	Businesses should have to apply yearly for this privilege. Application should be easy and VERY low cost to business. If businesses succeed, everyone does.	2/16/2024 3:47 PM
342	None	2/16/2024 3:41 PM
343	No	2/16/2024 3:27 PM
344	No.	2/16/2024 3:22 PM



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345	How is this being funded? I don't think it's entirely necessary since many restaurants already have a patio section.	2/16/2024 3:21 PM
346	No	2/16/2024 3:17 PM
347	no	2/16/2024 3:11 PM
348	No	2/16/2024 3:09 PM
349	no	2/16/2024 3:06 PM

## Q23 Do you have any additional thoughts to share on outdoor patios in Vaughan?

Answered: 255 Skipped: 249

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I have enjoyed dining on outdoor patios in Peel Region.	3/7/2024 10:16 PM
2	It creates a great feeling	3/6/2024 11:46 PM
3	Improve business is good	3/5/2024 9:34 PM
4	No	3/5/2024 2:55 PM
5	No	3/5/2024 2:32 PM
6	Allow more restaurants and bars to set up outdoor patios	3/5/2024 2:03 PM
7	Outdoor patios promote additional business, more small group visits, more congeniality, mixing dining with social interactions	3/5/2024 10:08 AM
8	I am okay with allowing patios as long as they don't slow down vehicle traffic on major roads.	3/5/2024 7:33 AM
9	I do not want to be super close to the cars while eating outside especially when the engine is working.	3/4/2024 10:58 PM
10	Na	3/4/2024 3:55 PM
11	No	3/4/2024 3:17 PM
12	This is a common sense initiative that doesn't require any further justification. Just do it.	3/4/2024 2:47 PM
13	Hopefully City finds a way to make this happen for this season.	3/3/2024 3:00 PM
14	no	3/3/2024 9:05 AM
15	We need more rather than driving downtown	3/2/2024 2:39 PM
16	Have more across Vaughan.	3/1/2024 9:36 PM
17	Great idea. Works well in Toronto	3/1/2024 7:40 PM
18	Great idea	3/1/2024 7:03 PM
19	New York's patios have been made permanent and year round. Europeans have embraced outdoor dining and socialising even during winter colder seasons. Our family is looking for outdoor opportunities for gathering and food, all year round. Please embrace!	3/1/2024 6:28 PM
20	No	3/1/2024 1:57 PM
21	all good	2/29/2024 9:18 PM
22	Love it	2/29/2024 8:04 PM
23	Make it permanent	2/29/2024 5:59 PM
24	No	2/29/2024 4:57 PM
25	Great	2/29/2024 4:37 PM
26	I love how it encourages people to spend more time outdoors and believe this idea can be expanded into different industries, such as the arts and entertainment (e.x., outdoor bowling!) Excited to see what new ideas Vaughan will bring for its citizens!	2/29/2024 3:24 PM
27	These are privately owned businesses and private property. Let businesses conduct themselves as they see fit on their private property.	2/29/2024 3:13 PM

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28	We need more restaurants and retailers in VMC	2/29/2024 12:42 PM
29	I'd love if some patios were open over winter with some heaters, so our winters are so mild for the most part.	2/29/2024 12:18 PM
30	As tax payers we should have the privilege of enjoying our restaurant outdoor atmosphere and not have to leave vaughan.	2/29/2024 12:10 PM
31	I really enjoy when it's a got season, to have a nice cold beer with friends at a restaurant in our community.	2/29/2024 10:44 AM
32	Love it	2/29/2024 10:26 AM
33	No	2/29/2024 10:09 AM
34	Outdoor patios add character to the city and our neighbourhood.	2/29/2024 9:52 AM
35	I think it's a great program	2/28/2024 10:57 PM
36	I think having outdoor patios is great. It supports local businesses and allows customers to enjoy the outdoors	2/28/2024 10:54 PM
37	Add more to Vaughan and get people out and helping the restaurant business.	2/28/2024 10:37 PM
38	Important we allow this	2/28/2024 5:01 PM
39	No	2/28/2024 11:56 AM
40	The chairs presently used are flimsy and an active falls risk for those of us with mobility issues. Spacing and sturdiness are important factors in the use of any outdoor seating, including patios.	2/28/2024 1:57 AM
41	A bit more protection from vehicles. Slowing down speed of passing vehicle.	2/27/2024 9:14 PM
42	Being away from the road as much as possible.	2/27/2024 7:35 PM
43	Just ensure that it does not make cycling more dangerous.	2/27/2024 3:18 PM
44	I think this is a great program as they will provide restaurants with extra business and you will see people out again enjoying themselves outdoors with friend and family, instead of so ordering on Uber Eats and staying indoors all day. We only have so many nice days in the summer, and this is an great way to enjoy it and support local businesses at the same time. If there are no patios in Vaughan, residents may choose to go eat elsewhere.	2/27/2024 3:01 PM
45	No	2/27/2024 2:29 PM
46	no, maybe some incentives from the city in somehow	2/27/2024 12:14 PM
47	Create advertising campaign similar to CafeTo to let citizens of Vaughan know that outdoor dining is now available.	2/27/2024 9:12 AM
48	Parking loss shouldn't be a consideration. It brings more business to these restaurants.	2/27/2024 8:49 AM
49	no	2/27/2024 8:41 AM
50	make them pretty	2/27/2024 8:20 AM
51	No, I really enjoy them	2/27/2024 2:36 AM
52	Great idea	2/26/2024 9:55 PM
53	Would love to see them at many places, as long as they are in a safe location & Not an eye sore.	2/26/2024 9:26 PM
54	They bring a lot of positives and help businesses such as ours increase our revenue, to help make up for the large losses incurred during the pandemic!	2/26/2024 6:31 PM
55	None	2/26/2024 5:06 PM
56	opening up extra seating is a great idea although based on soaring restaurant prices, availability of seating may be less and less of a requirement. The bigger issue here is unaffordable menu prices with terrible service	2/26/2024 3:37 PM

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57	No	2/26/2024 3:30 PM
58	Application of same so long that the City and Private Owners maintain adequate parking availability to service the Plaza or neighborhood	2/26/2024 1:10 PM
59	Let's do it!!!!	2/26/2024 9:27 AM
60	As long as it's safe for customers	2/26/2024 7:03 AM
61	Please keep this program	2/25/2024 5:56 PM
62	do you think they will be back this year?	2/25/2024 4:59 PM
63	Let's reduce state control. Let people be!	2/25/2024 3:34 PM
64	As long they are permanent outdoor patios open on a seasonal basis. Need bollards to protect dining patrons from cars. We need to share the sidewalk with pedestrians and people with mobility issues and bike. People who smoke or vape must go elsewhere on the premises. They need a safe place to do their business. We need our parking lots back. No temporary outdoor patios please.	2/25/2024 1:52 PM
65	Make plazas more attractive by replacing parking with nice patios with trees and green etc	2/25/2024 12:33 PM
66	We should have done this ages ago. It is good for the community, businesses, and I suspect tax revenue.	2/25/2024 12:15 PM
67	No	2/25/2024 8:13 AM
68	No.	2/24/2024 9:51 PM
69	There should be a designated area for parking to increase more walking traffic.	2/24/2024 9:40 PM
70	Let's reclaim our city from cars. Make outdoor spaces for people. This of course isn't easy and requires improved transit and less focus on roads for climate destroying cars (e.g. <a href="https://momentummag.com/quebec-city-10-year-bike-plan/">https://momentummag.com/quebec-city-10-year-bike-plan/</a> ).	2/24/2024 7:30 PM
71	no	2/24/2024 6:58 PM
72	no	2/24/2024 2:43 PM
73	- Temporary patios should be elevated and blocked off better - Temporary patios should be larger, so that they are more accessible	2/24/2024 2:23 PM
74	We need more outdoor space as a community	2/24/2024 1:56 PM
75	The city needs it in view of increasing population.	2/24/2024 1:28 PM
76	No. But they should be allowed	2/24/2024 1:02 PM
77	Make it as easy for them as possible. Minimal red tape.	2/24/2024 12:36 PM
78	BRING IT BACK.	2/24/2024 12:34 PM
79	As long as they do not impede the roadways like in Toronto	2/24/2024 11:38 AM
80	Great for tourism and the community.	2/24/2024 10:04 AM
81	winter is long in Canada,lets enjoy the warmer weather as much as possible outdoors!!	2/24/2024 9:49 AM
82	Better design of the patios/enclosures should be encouraged, some look very shabby and makeshift. I do not support putting patios onto roadways, whatever the barriers, like you see in downtown Toronto.	2/24/2024 9:25 AM
83	It's not a downtown atmosphere but as long as they are safe and not inhaling carbon monoxide	2/24/2024 9:17 AM
84	No	2/24/2024 8:57 AM
85	It would be lovely to see some overlooking water.	2/24/2024 8:37 AM
86	Adds to the beauty of the neighbourhood	2/24/2024 8:21 AM
87	None	2/24/2024 7:30 AM
88	Hope there are special safety barriers to protect from traffic	2/24/2024 7:23 AM

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89	Allow tents/covered patios	2/24/2024 2:51 AM
90	I miss them. we should get them back	2/24/2024 12:12 AM
91	It is a good idea for businesses as long as it doesn't present a safety hazard or obstruct traffic	2/23/2024 11:29 PM
92	NO	2/23/2024 11:03 PM
93	That it would be beneficial to the city which will draw more business and help profit the city of Vaughan	2/23/2024 10:07 PM
94	re-start now please	2/23/2024 9:49 PM
95	I think they would improve business for those restaurants allowed to operate like that. People enjoy eating outside when it's nice out.	2/23/2024 8:57 PM
96	Limit areas in strip plaza	2/23/2024 8:25 PM
97	Keep the flowers away from patios as they attract bees and wasps	2/23/2024 8:21 PM
98	I think they are great. They remind me of dining at a European restaurant. Nice change!	2/23/2024 8:18 PM
99	Great idea	2/23/2024 8:03 PM
100	No	2/23/2024 8:00 PM
101	All good, but patio extensions should not be at the expense of increasing vehicle traffic or slowing it down.	2/23/2024 7:56 PM
102	Looking forward to them	2/23/2024 7:28 PM
103	Choose locations further from roads or slower roads. Locations closer to green spaces are also preferred	2/23/2024 7:01 PM
104	People need outdoor patios. We have only a few months a year that you can enjoy a beautiful summer day or a nice summer night outdoors.	2/23/2024 6:52 PM
105	NO	2/23/2024 6:40 PM
106	No	2/23/2024 6:25 PM
107	Garbage should be separated to recycling and compost even for private businesssa	2/23/2024 5:26 PM
108	bring them on!	2/23/2024 5:14 PM
109	they are great, generally speaking and definately influence where I dine, we prefer outdoor.	2/23/2024 5:08 PM
110	Do it! Great experience to eat outside with family and friends!!	2/23/2024 4:37 PM
111	I think that they will add another reason to the enjoy exploring the restaurant in our city.	2/23/2024 4:33 PM
112	No	2/23/2024 4:29 PM
113	No	2/23/2024 4:20 PM
114	No	2/23/2024 4:16 PM
115	No	2/23/2024 3:54 PM
116	The more, the better.	2/23/2024 3:50 PM
117	Don't block traffic lanes on streets to put in patios like they did in Toronto.	2/23/2024 3:47 PM
118	no	2/23/2024 3:39 PM
119	keep them clean no rodents	2/23/2024 3:30 PM
120	No	2/23/2024 3:21 PM
121	A very good idea	2/23/2024 3:19 PM
122	not clear where these would be located	2/23/2024 3:17 PM
123	Get government out of decisions for patios	2/23/2024 3:11 PM

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124	city council should stop designing Vaughan around the car. Then we wouldn't have to have dinner on a patio that is in a parking lot.	2/23/2024 3:02 PM
125	It should have a barrier to protect guest from the traffic and umbrella to protect from sun and/or rain	2/23/2024 2:47 PM
126	No	2/23/2024 2:40 PM
127	Maybe consider that not everyone in Vaughan is Italian when you request a survey; perhaps use English instead of "al fresco".	2/23/2024 2:12 PM
128	Good idea. I would like to see more outdoor patios in Vaughan and also have Summerlicious in Vaughan.	2/23/2024 2:01 PM
129	We should make it easier for restaurants to leverage these capabilities. I know that some don't offer that anymore because of excessive costs.	2/23/2024 1:55 PM
130	It's a popular practice in many places in the world. No reason why not to have it here.	2/23/2024 1:55 PM
131	I think they are great, we go down to the Danforth to eat outside, Make Vaughan Great with more patios	2/23/2024 1:43 PM
132	Outdoor food attracts wasps so it would be good for businesses to have ways to deal with this such as fast table clean up, mandatory garbage collection (ie don't leave half-empty bins for long), and other ways. Also, there needs to be limits on outdoor music and other noise (ie how loud it is and when it is allowed).	2/23/2024 1:34 PM
133	Bring them on. In speed controlled, low noise areas	2/23/2024 1:21 PM
134	please make sure there are enough law enforcement for bad drivers causing disruptions to citizens/residents while sitting outside	2/23/2024 1:14 PM
135	These patios are are a good idea. Summer to Fall	2/23/2024 1:13 PM
136	they should not impede on parking, roadways or pedestrian access	2/23/2024 1:09 PM
137	No	2/23/2024 1:08 PM
138	No	2/23/2024 1:05 PM
139	Can we please include more DOG-FRIENDLY patios! This would be fantastic to Vaughan residents. Many dog-friendly patios in Toronto, but harder to find them in York Region.	2/23/2024 1:03 PM
140	No	2/23/2024 12:59 PM
141	.	2/23/2024 12:59 PM
142	Outdoor patios can provide the choice for those who want indoor or outdoor. And also for those still deeply scarred by the pandemic.	2/23/2024 12:52 PM
143	No	2/23/2024 12:50 PM
144	Make sure they do not impact accessibility and other movements as a result of the patio hardscape.	2/23/2024 12:50 PM
145	Restaurants, etc., should be supported this endeavour. Outdoor dining spaces also beautify otherwise ugly looking parking lots if done properly.	2/23/2024 12:49 PM
146	I would be totally against anyone getting a permit and interfering with the flow of traffic.	2/23/2024 12:47 PM
147	Great idea	2/23/2024 12:41 PM
148	We have good weather in May June and September, so we should take advantage of it	2/23/2024 12:41 PM
149	Support the idea	2/23/2024 12:38 PM
150	if toronto can why not here?	2/23/2024 12:28 PM
151	No	2/23/2024 12:26 PM
152	A wonderful opportunity to enjoy the fresh air sunshine and be able to contribute to the community	2/23/2024 12:18 PM



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153	N/A	2/23/2024 12:08 PM
154	Great idea, please move forward with it.	2/23/2024 12:06 PM
155	I would not be supportive of patios that create more traffic on busy streets	2/23/2024 12:05 PM
156	I think it's a nice idea overall, just needs to be carefully executed due to our car congestion. If we had shared bike systems up in Vaughan like in the city of Toronto, these patios may be more accessible and used.	2/23/2024 12:01 PM
157	Businesses will profit and it should definitely be allowed in order to support small, local businesses	2/23/2024 11:48 AM
158	Would all restaurants have this option or if it would be up to the business to offer it.	2/23/2024 11:44 AM
159	Make sure the structures are safe like umbrellas etc can injure someone with the wind.	2/23/2024 11:44 AM
160	Get them more European style not only for full seat down but for cup of coffee	2/23/2024 11:44 AM
161	Let's have more pedestrian-friendly streets, where it's fun to just walk around, like in Europe or mid/downtown Toronto.	2/23/2024 11:43 AM
162	They are nice as long as they do not restrict traffic or make it dangerous. There should be choice of shaded coverage	2/23/2024 11:42 AM
163	Flowers, good food, reasonable prices, parking & family friendly	2/23/2024 11:40 AM
164	No	2/23/2024 11:38 AM
165	N/A	2/23/2024 11:37 AM
166	No.	2/23/2024 11:37 AM
167	No	2/23/2024 11:33 AM
168	They're the best.	2/23/2024 11:24 AM
169	should be supplied with standards, crowding, spacing, safety, look and feel/streetscape	2/23/2024 11:24 AM
170	Walking accessible patios only would be very nice, seeing people and not cars is always a better outdoor experience	2/23/2024 11:22 AM
171	Make sure you leave space on the sidewalk to pass by	2/23/2024 11:22 AM
172	No	2/23/2024 11:21 AM
173	We have the space in Vaughan and it adds another element for restaurants to elevate their business. During the warmer months patios are more enjoyable. Hope there's enough support to make this permanent.	2/23/2024 11:21 AM
174	No	2/23/2024 11:16 AM
175	No	2/23/2024 11:15 AM
176	this is great, would love to see more of this. also less traffic	2/23/2024 11:15 AM
177	This shouldn't even be a question this should be allowed	2/23/2024 11:13 AM
178	Vaughan is way to car dominated and there are many missed opportunities for economic development as a result. This is an important step forward to reclaiming space for cultural activity.	2/23/2024 11:11 AM
179	We have enough to content with- construction, underused bike lanes	2/23/2024 11:10 AM
180	Outdoor patios in Vaughan should be available every year at any location that can accommodate! I enjoy eating outdoors when possible and I think it's a wonderful opportunity for us to enjoy the weather while supporting our favourite businesses!	2/23/2024 11:09 AM
181	The more the better, and extend the season please	2/23/2024 11:06 AM
182	No	2/23/2024 11:05 AM
183	PLEASE DO IT. Vaughan is fairly ugly, has no cute downtown and is mostly strip malls and parking lots. The more beautiful outdoor spaces we create the better.	2/23/2024 11:05 AM

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184	Patios for all!	2/23/2024 11:05 AM
185	nope	2/23/2024 10:16 AM
186	i think it's great to have. brings in more revenue for business & local stores. people just enjoy being out doors more. better for your health as well!	2/21/2024 3:47 PM
187	Maybe have something like a taste of the Danforth	2/21/2024 3:01 PM
188	Start making this town alive.	2/21/2024 9:19 AM
189	If an owner wants to open a seasonal patio, it should go through the approval process to ensure that they meet the by-laws, parking, safety and noise regulations. The City puts itself in a liable situation by allowing some of these uses to continue taking advantage of a one time relaxing of the rules to become permanent.	2/21/2024 12:09 AM
190	as long as they are kept clean and look attractive to the area .	2/20/2024 7:14 PM
191	I support the seasonal initiative.	2/20/2024 3:32 PM
192	I would be more likely to go to a restaurant with an outdoor patio in nice weather	2/20/2024 3:18 PM
193	I think patios are a summer thing a lot of restaurants partake in. I for one am all for it.	2/20/2024 2:46 PM
194	Thank you	2/20/2024 2:19 PM
195	As long as they're safely away from roads, they're a great addition	2/20/2024 2:06 PM
196	No	2/20/2024 7:30 AM
197	Go with the flow go with the times	2/19/2024 10:34 PM
198	Please ensure they remain non smoking areas	2/19/2024 8:00 PM
199	No	2/19/2024 10:54 AM
200	It doesn't get any better than summer nights on a patio. This is a no brainer ! More patios	2/19/2024 7:42 AM
201	please allow this and do not follow the example of the city of Toronto	2/18/2024 11:46 PM
202	No	2/18/2024 8:50 PM
203	1) One disadvantage of eating outdoors is the increased exposure to insects/mosquitos/bees/wasps. There should be a stipulation for these restaurant patios to have some precautions in place to prevent the insects from disturbing customers. 2) Also, there should be a stipulation that the patio area should not be too close to moving cars and exhaust fumes.	2/18/2024 5:27 PM
204	I think we need it as good for everyone's mental health to get out there and socialize	2/18/2024 11:44 AM
205	I think it is a great way for residents to experience a "staycation" atmosphere.	2/18/2024 9:40 AM
206	No	2/17/2024 10:01 PM
207	Just do it..we need it	2/17/2024 8:28 PM
208	Do it pls, I refuse to sit inside having a meal in good weather	2/17/2024 8:25 PM
209	Need to be flexible i. our approach and policies so outdoor patios, for example, are permitted. If we desire to be a major city we need to provide the community with the services and options to take advantage of.	2/17/2024 5:49 PM
210	As long as the patio doesn't interfere with vehicles I'm good with them.	2/17/2024 5:38 PM
211	Please don't allow them	2/17/2024 3:29 PM
212	Should have been allowed a long time ago. It encourages a sense of community.	2/17/2024 2:33 PM
213	I like the idea, however I see how it plays out in toronto (i work there). Traffic and parking is a mess because of it.	2/17/2024 11:57 AM
214	We need more outdoor patios in Vaughan. Make it happen.	2/17/2024 9:55 AM
215	No	2/17/2024 9:06 AM

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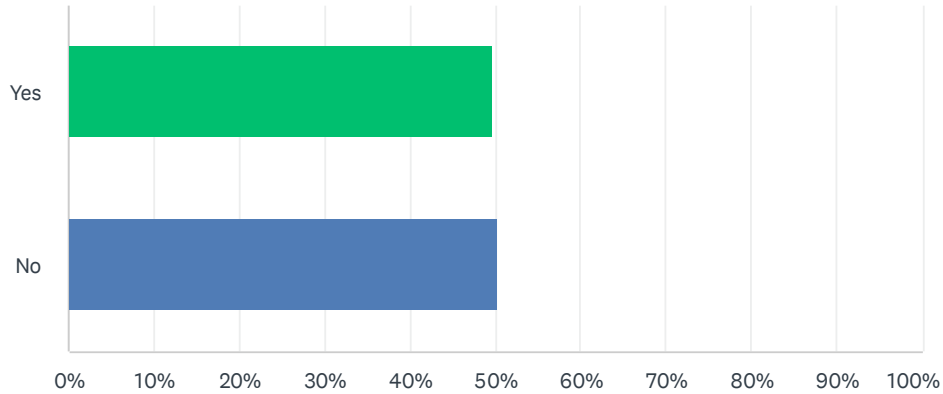
216	More space for people to spread out	2/17/2024 8:22 AM
217	Just that none of them have late night noise. Piazza del sol plaza during the summer very, very noisy during late nights.	2/17/2024 8:08 AM
218	No	2/17/2024 7:58 AM
219	No	2/17/2024 7:41 AM
220	No	2/17/2024 7:00 AM
221	Love them, we need more of them.	2/17/2024 6:47 AM
222	No	2/17/2024 6:24 AM
223	No	2/17/2024 5:28 AM
224	Good for business. Should be allowed.	2/17/2024 12:37 AM
225	It's such a great asset to Vaughan. Not only to businesses itself but to tax payers and the city. More business = more money = more taxes being paid = better city (using those taxes towards repaving roads, schools, parks, etc)	2/16/2024 11:23 PM
226	It's a win-win.	2/16/2024 10:54 PM
227	More selection and more options than before. Would like to see heated seating as well in many restaurants. Tents should be circulated with airflow if patio. Doesn't make sense to have a closed tent as designate it as a patio. Entrance should be at the patio and should not have to go thru restaurant to get seated on a patio.	2/16/2024 10:23 PM
228	No	2/16/2024 10:17 PM
229	It is always nice to enjoy the outside while enjoying a meal, depending on the section. It should not be allowed to take up parking spots, or disable ability to drive around.	2/16/2024 8:54 PM
230	None	2/16/2024 8:39 PM
231	We have to make the city more aesthetically pleasing and also have more of a vibe.	2/16/2024 7:58 PM
232	Amazing program - please continue it!	2/16/2024 7:54 PM
233	If seating capacity increases then so Must Washrooms & Parking spaces. You cannot continue this program it showed blatant favouritism to certain businesses over others.	2/16/2024 7:04 PM
234	Make sure they are enclosed and safe from cars.	2/16/2024 6:26 PM
235	Please more patios!!	2/16/2024 6:09 PM
236	No	2/16/2024 5:49 PM
237	No	2/16/2024 5:20 PM
238	No	2/16/2024 5:15 PM
239	There should also be consideration for squeezing them in tight spaces or ensuring a certain percentage of parking spots remain available and what if there are multiple restaurants in the same plaza that all want to add patios? Is there a limit or in relation to the space available and how do you decide?	2/16/2024 4:45 PM
240	As long as they are safe from traffic I have no issues. Also patios need to provide shade/ umbrellas	2/16/2024 4:35 PM
241	Not at this time	2/16/2024 4:12 PM
242	Watch out for the "well connected" getting connected to the politicians, and others in the Vaughan government. We all know how "money talks" in this city.	2/16/2024 4:01 PM
243	No	2/16/2024 3:52 PM
244	the more the better!	2/16/2024 3:52 PM
245	Providing the opportunity for more outdoor dining spaces is a welcome idea!	2/16/2024 3:50 PM

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246	Please support small businesses!	2/16/2024 3:47 PM
247	Ensure that these restaurants are compliant with City standards and that they don't adversely affect other plaza businesses.	2/16/2024 3:47 PM
248	Only advantages to this program, no negatives	2/16/2024 3:41 PM
249	No	2/16/2024 3:27 PM
250	No.	2/16/2024 3:22 PM
251	Focus on more important issues like the traffic problem in Vaughan and constant road construction. These patios are such a non-issue.	2/16/2024 3:21 PM
252	No	2/16/2024 3:17 PM
253	no	2/16/2024 3:11 PM
254	We don't get to eat outdoors a lot in our climate so I welcome any and all opportunities to do so when possible	2/16/2024 3:09 PM
255	no	2/16/2024 3:06 PM

**Q24** Are you interested in subscribing to the City's Engagement eNewsletter? The Engagement eNewsletter is issued about once a month and provides information about opportunities to join the conversation on municipal matters and City decisions.

Answered: 430 Skipped: 74



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	49.77%	214
No	50.23%	216
TOTAL		430

## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE:** LICENSING OF WILDLIFE REMOVAL COMPANIES

**FROM:**

Gus Michaels, Deputy City Manager, Community Services

**ACTION:** DECISION

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### **Purpose**

In response to instances of improper wildlife containment and removal practices which cause distress, injury or death to animals, staff seek to develop regulations for companies offering wildlife removal services in the City of Vaughan through the development of a new business licensing category. The new enforcement tools will ensure wildlife removal companies operate in a manner that minimizes the risk of harm or death to wildlife and implements consumer protection measures for the public.

### **Report Highlights**

- Day-to-day operations of wildlife removal companies are largely unregulated.
- Animal Services has responded to complaints of wildlife removal companies using removal techniques that compromise the wellbeing of animals and put the public at risk.
- To minimize harm to animals and the public, staff are recommending that wildlife removal companies be required to obtain a business licence to operate in the City of Vaughan.
- If approved, Vaughan will be the first municipality in Ontario to regulate Wildlife Removal Companies.

### **Recommendations**

1. THAT the Business Licensing By-law 122-2022, as amended, be further amended, as generally set out in Attachment 1 to this report, and in a form satisfactory to Legal Services, to create licensing provisions for wildlife removal companies; and



2. THAT the Fees and Charges By-law 224-2023, as amended, be further amended, as generally set out in Attachment 2 to this report, in a form satisfactory to Legal Services, to create a wildlife removal company licensing fee and wildlife removal company vehicle licensing placard fee.

## **Background**

To address nuisance caused by wildlife on their properties, or intrusion within, property owners will seek the services of wildlife removal companies, which is a largely unregulated industry in Ontario. Complaints have been received by the Animal Services division of By-law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services that wildlife removal companies are not consistently carrying out the capture and relocation of animals in an ethical or humane manner. Although the Animal Control By-law sets forth broad requirements for the expected treatment of wildlife by all persons, it does not specifically regulate the activities of wildlife removal companies.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

[City of Vaughan Animal Control By-law 066-2020](#)

## **Analysis and Options**

Wildlife removal companies remove wildlife from residential and commercial properties. Most frequently, the wildlife removed include squirrels, racoons, skunks, and other small mammals. More than a dozen wildlife removal companies advertise as being Vaughan-based and are presently operating in the City of Vaughan. It is highly probable that many more companies located/based outside of Vaughan's municipal boundaries travel to Vaughan to offer services.

Although some activities of wildlife removal companies are governed in part by various provincial and federal acts and regulations, there is very little day-to-day supervision of these companies. Due to the lack of oversight of and regulations for wildlife removal companies, inhumane practices have been reported to and observed by Animal Services. Examples include young being needlessly separated from their mother, inhumane trapping, animals being confined without the necessities of life, inhumane euthanasia techniques, and improper relocation and disposal of remains.

## **Jurisdictional Scan**

After completing a comprehensive jurisdictional scan, staff were unable to find any municipalities in Ontario who regulate wildlife removal companies, and only British Columbia specifically licenses wildlife removal companies at a provincial level. By proceeding with and introducing regulations through a business licensing framework as recommended within this staff report, the City will be setting a significant precedent in the care and control of wildlife by ensuring companies that offer and provide removal of

wildlife services do so in a humane and ethical manner, while establishing regulations to support consumer protection.

### **Industry Consultation**

Email correspondence was sent to 24 wildlife removal companies that advertise they are Vaughan-based or provide services within the City, asking for feedback and providing an opportunity to speak with staff. One company responded with feedback, indicating their support for the new regulations.

### **Proposed Regulations**

The proposed regulations include those which are standard for all business licence applications and the regulations for other contractor-type businesses operating in Vaughan, including insurance, vehicle signage, and staff identification requirements. Additional provisions have been developed specific to wildlife removal companies that function to ensure the safe and humane treatment of wildlife and greater consumer protection.

### **Criminal Record Check**

All owners, operators and employees of wildlife removal companies will be required to submit a Criminal Record Check, from an Ontario Police Service, which meets the standard provisions under the licensing by-law and, in addition, must indicate that there have been no convictions under Sections 445, 446, and/or 447 of the Criminal Code of Canada, which are specific to animal cruelty and neglect.

### **Vehicles**

Vehicles used by wildlife removal companies will be required to adhere to certain standards to ensure the safe and humane transportation of animals. In addition to being equipped with working and adequate temperature control measures to prevent distress to wildlife being contained, all vehicles must be equipped with adequate measures to contain and segregate wildlife from coming in to contact with any other animal or human occupant of the vehicle, and all animals must be securely contained within a primary enclosure within the vehicle.

### **Contracts**

As a consumer protection measure, wildlife removal companies will be required to provide a written contract to their customers, specifying the work that will be performed and the payment schedule, prior to accepting any payments or commencing any work.

### **Bite Reporting Requirements**

To limit the spread of zoonotic disease, wildlife removal companies will be required to report all bites or injuries to a person that result in breakage of skin to local public health unit and Vaughan Animal Services within 24 hours. Similarly, all bites on injuries caused

to a domestic animal by wildlife must be reported to Vaughan Animal Services within 24 hours.

### Release Requirements

To ensure a reasonable chance of reunification and reintegration within their natural habitat, wildlife removal companies must release an animal no more than 1 kilometer away from the capture location. Further, any animals that cannot be released back in to the wild shall only be released to a Province of Ontario authorized wildlife rehabilitator or Vaughan Animal Services.

### Policies and Procedures

To mitigate transmission of zoonotic diseases, such as rabies, and to ensure ethical and humane methods are used in the care and control of animals, it is critical that wildlife removal companies have standardized policies and procedures in place. Companies will be required to submit copies of their policies and procedures for cleaning and disinfection of vehicles and supplies, handling of injured and diseased animals, bites, and personal protective equipment requirements for staff.

### Trap Requirements

The new regulations will prevent wildlife removal companies from using certain types of traps that are known to cause unnecessary and indiscriminate distress to animals, including the use of noxious and poisonous chemicals. Moreover, the by-law will stipulate time intervals at which companies will be required to check traps for captured animals, and for their release.

### Log and Record Keeping Requirements

Wildlife Removal Company owners will be required to maintain logs pertaining to each wildlife capture and/or removal for a minimum of 1 year, which include information about the capture and and/or removal, such as the date, time and location, species and gender information, condition of the animal, removal of any habitats, and outcome.

### Compliance with Other Legislation

To maintain their City of Vaughan business licence, companies will be required to remain in compliance with various pieces of legislation at the municipal, provincial, and federal levels that govern wildlife removal practices in part or any other applicable law.

## **Financial Impact**

Wildlife removal companies will be subject to the same licensing fee that is collected for other contractor-type businesses. It is anticipated that this fee will be sufficient to recover costs associated with the administration and enforcement of this licensing category.

## **Operational Impact**

It is anticipated that any operational impacts resulting from the implementation of this licensing category will be absorbed by the current staff complement.

## **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

There are no municipalities in Ontario known to licence wildlife removal companies. The passage of this new licensing category sets a precedent for municipal standards for these companies.

Staff consulted with stakeholders at animal welfare agencies that work alongside the City, and all expressed their enthusiasm for this new licensing category.

## **Conclusion**

Urban expansion and changing natural habitats are displacing wildlife in our community, creating an urgent need to implement effective measures to ensure they are protected. By licensing wildlife removal companies, the City will not only engage in critical wildlife protection efforts, but will also create additional consumer protection measures for residents who hire wildlife removal companies, and health and safety precautions for the general public. As Vaughan will be the first municipality to create a licensing category for wildlife removal companies in Ontario, staff are hoping that other municipalities will follow suit and make clear that any company interacting with animals on behalf of residents must ensure that the health and safety of both animals and humans remains their top priority.

**For more information**, please contact: Susan Kelly, Director and Chief Licensing Officer, By-law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services, ext. 8952.

## **Attachments**

1. Proposed Wildlife Removal Company Licensing By-law Amendments.
2. Proposed Wildlife Removal Company Fees and Charges By-law Amendments.

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**Reviewed by**



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## Proposed Wildlife Removal Company Licensing By-law Amendments

1. That Business Licensing By-law 122-2022, as amended, be further amended by adding the following definitions to Part 3.0 in alphabetical order:

“Wildlife” means an animal that belongs to a species that is wild by nature of that particular region and includes human introduced game wildlife and specially protected wildlife;

“Wildlife Removal Company” means a *Licensed* company which removes *Wildlife* from areas that are not in their normal or usual habitat or causing a nuisance;

“Wildlife Removal Company Owner” means a Person who alone or with others Owns and/or has the ultimate control over and/or who directs the operation of the business, activity or undertaking carried out by a Wildlife Containment Company;

2. That Business Licensing By-law 122-2022, as amended, be further amended by adding **Part 16.2 Wildlife Removal Companies** to read as follows:

### **Part 16.2 Wildlife Removal Companies**

- (1) In addition to the requirements set out in Part 4.2, every application for a *Wildlife Removal Company Licence* shall include:
  - (a) proof, satisfactory to the *Chief Licensing Officer*, that every employee or other *Person* under the *Applicant's* charge is insured in accordance with the *Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, 1997*, S.O. 1997, c. 16, as amended;
  - (b) a photograph of the *Applicant* taken within thirty (30) days prior to the *Licence* application, such that the photograph is a clear likeness of the *Applicant*, and where the *Applicant* is a:
    - (i) *Sole Proprietorship*, such photograph shall be of the sole proprietor;
    - (ii) *Partnership*, such photograph shall be taken of at least one of the partners;
    - (iii) *Corporation*, such photograph shall be taken of at least one of the directors or officers of the *Corporation*;
  - (c) a complete Police Criminal Records Check issued by an *Ontario Police Service*, dated not more than ninety (90) days prior to the



date application for the *Applicant*, and each employee of the *Applicant*; and

- (d) a map indicating service area.
- (2) In addition to the requirements set out in Part 4.2, every application for a *Wildlife Removal Company Licence* shall include, by way of certificate of insurance satisfactory to the *Chief Licensing Officer*, proof of a minimum limit of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) in commercial general liability insurance coverage.
- (3) Every *Applicant* for a *Wildlife Removal Company* shall register each vehicle used in the business by filing a list indicating for each vehicle, the make, model, year and the provincial vehicle plate number. In case of change of the information pertaining to the vehicles used in the business, such changes should be submitted to the *Chief Licensing Officer* in a form satisfactory to the *Chief Licensing Officer*.
- (4) Every *Wildlife Removal Company* shall ensure that every vehicle actively used in connection with the business, with the exception of a personal vehicle used only for the purposes of visiting a work site to meet a *Customer* or provide a quote, shall have visibly displayed on the dashboard a placard identifying the business name and *City Licence* number in a form satisfactory to the *Chief Licensing Officer*.
- (5) Placards, as provided for in section 16.2(4) are only transferable to other vehicles used primarily in connection with the business, but does not include any vehicles belonging to or used in connection with any sub-contractors of the business.
- (6) Vehicle *Licensing* placards are subject to the fees set out in *Fees and Charges By-law*, as amended, or its successor by-law.
- (7) Every *Wildlife Removal Company* shall ensure all vehicles actively used in connection with the business are equipped with working and adequate temperature control measures to prevent distress to *Wildlife* being contained therein.

- (8) Every *Wildlife Removal Company* shall ensure that all vehicles actively used in connection with the business are equipped with adequate measures to contain separate *Wildlife* from coming in to contact with any other animal or human occupant of the vehicle.
- (9) Every *Wildlife Removal Company* shall ensure that all animals contained in a vehicle used in connection with the business are contained within a primary enclosure within the vehicle.
- (10) Every *Wildlife Removal Company* shall ensure that its employees wear identification or an article of clothing which identifies them as an employee of the company when responding to a call for service.
- (11) Every *Wildlife Removal Company* shall include its corresponding *City Licence* number on all of its outdoor *Sign* or other advertising or promotional device used in the *City* and shall comply with the *City's Sign By-law*, as amended or its successor by-law.
- (12) When a *Wildlife Removal Company* has been made aware of or has witnessed any bites or injuries caused to a *Person* by *Wildlife* that results in breakage of skin, such information must be reported by the *Wildlife Removal Company* to local public health unit and Vaughan Animal Services within 24 hours.
- (13) When a *Wildlife Removal Company* has been made aware of or has witnessed any bites on injuries caused to a domestic animal by *Wildlife*, such information must be reported to Vaughan Animal Services within 24 hours.
- (14) Every *Applicant* for a *Wildlife Removal Company Licence* shall, at the time of initial application and upon every renewal, provide a detailed log for the preceding year, in accordance with section 16.2(28) satisfactory to the *Chief Licensing Officer*.
- (15) Prior to accepting any payment from a *Customer* or commencing any work for a *Customer*, a *Wildlife Removal Company* shall provide a written contract to said *Customer*, specifying the work to be performed and the schedule of payment and such contract shall be signed by the *Wildlife*

*Removal Company* and presented to the *Customer* for acceptance and signature.

- (16) Prior to providing a written contract pursuant to section 16.2(15), a *Wildlife Removal Company* shall inform the *Customer* in writing of all local by-laws that affect or may affect the proposed *Services* and shall also inform the *Customer* in writing of any permits required by the *City*. For greater clarity, this information shall be provided in a communication separate and apart from the contract.
- (17) No *Wildlife Removal Company* shall release an animal more than one (1) kilometer away from the capture location.
- (18) No *Wildlife Removal Company* shall release an animal to any other *Person* other than a Province of Ontario authorized *Wildlife* rehabilitator or Vaughan Animal Services.
- (19) Every *Applicant* for a *Wildlife Removal Company Licence* shall, at the time of initial application, upon request by the *City*, or if any changes are made to the policies and procedures referred to hereafter, submit copies of all policies and procedures pertaining to the trapping, care, transfer, euthanasia and release of *Wildlife*, to the satisfaction of the *Chief Licensing Officer*, including the following:
  - (a) euthanasia, including methods, circumstances, and disposal;
  - (b) disposal of carcasses;
  - (c) cleaning and disinfection of vehicles and traps, including specific details regarding products, frequency and biohazard protocols;
  - (d) personal protective equipment requirements for staff;
  - (e) bite and injury protocol for staff and the public.
- (20) Every *Applicant* for a *Wildlife Removal Company Licence* shall provide, at the time of initial application, upon every renewal, and at any time as requested by the *City* a list of all staff employed by the company.
- (21) No *Wildlife Removal Company Owner* or employee shall use or permit the use of body-gripping traps, leg-hold traps, or any other traps prohibited

under the *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997* for the purpose of trapping *Wildlife*.

- (22) Notwithstanding section 16.2(21), it does not apply to individuals licensed to use such devices under the *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997*.
- (23) No *Wildlife Removal Company Owner* or employee shall use or permit the use of glue board traps.
- (24) Notwithstanding section 16.2(23), it does not apply if the intent is to use glue board traps to capture insects or vermin.
- (25) No *Wildlife Removal Company Owner* or employee shall permit an animal to be in distress while in a trap or otherwise contained.
- (26) All *Wildlife Removal Company Owners* shall ensure that all traps and nest boxes are checked at minimum every eight (8) hours and any captured *Wildlife* is released within one (1) hour of discovery.
- (27) No *Wildlife Removal Company Owner* or employee shall use or permit the use of noxious or poisonous chemicals or substances to subdue or aid in the removal of *Wildlife*.
- (28) *Wildlife Removal Company Owners* must maintain logs pertaining to each *Wildlife* capture and/or removal for a minimum of one (1) year, including:
  - (a) the location of the capture and/or removal;
  - (b) date of capture/removal;
  - (c) common name of the *Wildlife* captured and/or removed;
  - (d) gender and age class of *Wildlife*;
  - (e) bands or tags on *Wildlife*;
  - (f) description of all nests, dams, dens, or other structures destroyed or removed;
  - (g) if the capture or removal was live or deceased;
  - (h) location of release, if applicable;
  - (i) date and method of euthanasia, if applicable; and
  - (j) transfer information to authorized *Wildlife* rehabilitator (date, location).
- (29) Every *Wildlife Removal Company Owner* shall comply with all applicable

municipal, provincial and federal laws and regulations.

3. That Business Licensing By-law 122-2022, as amended, be further amended by adding *Wildlife Removal Company (Owner)* to Schedule A in alphabetical order.
4. That Business Licensing By-law 122-2022, as amended, be further amended by adding **Wildlife Removal Companies** to Schedule F after **Pet Shops, Kennels and Pet Grooming Establishments** to read as follows:

**Wildlife Removal Companies**

5.A. If an *Applicant* has:

- 1) any code 01 *Conviction*;
- 2) any code 02 *Conviction* within the last ten (10) years;
- 3) any code 03 *Conviction* within the last seven (7) years;
- 4) two or more code 03 *Convictions* within the last ten (10) years;
- 5) any code 04 *Conviction* within the last three (3) years;
- 6) two or more code 04 *Convictions* within the last five (5) years;
- 7) any code 05 *Conviction* within the last year;
- 8) any code 08 *Conviction*;
- 9) six (6) or more by-law related\* *Convictions* within the last year concerning the *Licensed Business* or individual, or any other of the individual's businesses that are *Licensed* or are required to be *Licensed*, or any of the individual's prior *Businesses* that were *Licensed* or were required to be *Licensed*;
- 10) four (4) or more by-law related\* *Convictions* within the last twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date of issuance; or
- 11) overdue by-law fines or penalties, unless the *Applicant* or *Licensee* provides proof that such fines or penalties have been subsequently paid, despite the application being complete and all fees paid, the *Licensing Office* shall refuse to issue or renew a licence. In the case of an existing licence, the *Licensing Office* shall suspend the licence.

5.B. The *Chief Licensing Officer* may, upon a new application for a *Licence* or renewal, as the case may require, issue, renew or reinstate a *Licence*, if at

the time of the said application for a *Licence* or renewal, the *Licensee's* record of convictions has fallen below the prescribed thresholds and therefore is in compliance with this By-law.

5.C. The *Chief Licensing Officer* may place conditions and/or issue a warning letter on a *Licence* if he or she has reasonable grounds or otherwise believes that a *Licensee* may be at risk of exceeding a threshold prescribed in this schedule or may otherwise be conducting his or her *Business* in a manner that is not in accordance with this By-law, other City by-laws, legislation and its regulations, or with honesty and integrity, and a warning letter under this section shall set out the specific applicable threshold.

\* The *Chief Licensing Officer*, in her or his sole discretion, may determine whether a *Conviction* is a related *Conviction*.





**Proposed Wildlife Removal Company Licensing By-law Amendments**

1. That Fees and Charges By-law 224-2023, as amended, be further amended by adding the following fee to Schedule N in alphabetical order:

CLASSES OF BUSINESS LICENSES	2024		2025		HST
	INITIAL FEE	RENEWAL FEE	INITIAL FEE	RENEWAL FEE	
Wildlife Removal Company	\$556.00	\$233.00	\$574.00	\$240.00	E
Wildlife Removal Company Vehicle licensing placard fee	\$10.00		\$11.00		E



## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD:** 4

**TITLE: ALL-WAY STOP CONTROL REVIEW AT THE INTERSECTION  
OF GRAND TRUNK AVENUE AND SAND VALLEY STREET**

**FROM:**

Zoran Postic, Deputy City Manager, Public Works

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

This report seeks Council approval to implement an all-way stop control at the intersection of Grand Trunk Avenue and Sand Valley Street to address continued resident concerns regarding traffic operations, sightlines, and pedestrian safety.

**Report Highlights**

- Residents have expressed concerns regarding the visibility of southbound traffic on Grand Trunk Avenue from Sand Valley Street.
- Traffic studies undertaken at the Grand Trunk Avenue and Sand Valley Street intersection determined that the minimum intersection sight distance is insufficient due to vehicles parked on the driveway's extended boulevard.
- Discussion with By-Law enforcement staff indicate that boulevard parking is permitted where there is sufficient space for a vehicle to park without encroaching on the sidewalk or road.
- The City's parking by-law (064-2019, Sec 5 (9.q)) prohibits parking on any portion of the boulevard except for a driveway, including its apron.
- Staff have explored various options to address the concern. It is recommended that an all-way stop control be implemented at the subject intersection to enhance traffic operations.

**Recommendations**

1. That the implementation of an all-way stop control at the intersection of Grand Trunk Avenue and Sand Valley Street be approved;

2. That a By-law be enacted to amend By-law 284-94, the Consolidated Traffic By-law, to add an all-way stop control at the intersection of Grand Trunk Avenue and Sand Valley Street; and
3. That the City Clerk forward a copy of this report to York Regional Police.

## **Background**

### **Residents have expressed concerns over available intersection sight distance and pedestrian safety at the Grand Trunk Avenue and Sand Valley Street intersection.**

The intersection of Grand Trunk Avenue and Sand Valley Street is a three-legged intersection, with two travel lanes (one lane per direction). Grand Trunk Avenue, running north-south, is designated as a minor collector roadway with a pavement width of 11.5 metres, and a right-of-way width of 23.0 metres. Sand Valley Street, running east-west, is designated as a local road with a pavement width of 8.0 metres, and a right-of-way width of 20.0 metres.

Under the Highway Traffic Act (HTA), vehicles are required to stop for pedestrians at the pedestrian crossover located at the south leg of the intersection. Vehicles travelling on Sand Valley Street, are required to stop at Grand Trunk Avenue. There are sidewalks along both sides of Grand Trunk Avenue and on the south side of Sand Valley Street.

Residents have expressed concerns about the intersection sight distance and pedestrian safety at the noted intersection. The intersection sight distance refers to the visibility of a driver on a minor-road approach required to safely enter or cross the major road.

Pedestrian generators in the area include Romeo Dallaire Public School (on Peter Rupert Avenue at the west end of Sand Valley Street), Dr. Roberta Bonders Public School (on the southeast corner of Grand Trunk Avenue and Ivy Glen Drive) and Freedom Trail Park (on the southeast corner of Grand Trunk Avenue and Freedom Trail). A location map is provided in Attachment 1.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

City Parking Bylaws:

[City of Vaughan Parking By-Law 064-2019 \(Consolidated\)](#)

City Traffic Bylaws:

[Consolidated Traffic By-Law 284-94](#)

## **Analysis and Options**

**A traffic operations review determined that the minimum intersection sight distance requirement at the Grand Trunk Avenue and Sand Valley Street intersection is not met for eastbound motorists.**

A review of the sight distance at this intersection demonstrates that the minimum sight distance requirement as per the Transportation Association of Canada (TAC) guidelines is not met for eastbound motorists due to vehicles parked on the extended boulevard portion of the driveway (apron) at the northwest corner of the intersection. The measured intersection sight distance is 24 metres when the vehicle is parked on the apron. As per TAC guidelines, a minimum intersection sight distance is 85 metres at the intersection for a design speed of 60 km/h.

Curb extensions serve to reduce travel lane widths and crossing distance for pedestrians. However, the curb extensions at this intersection result in a larger than typical driveway apron length of 4.6 metres at the two adjacent residential properties and consequently allow for residents to park vehicles perpendicular to the roadway, obstructing sightlines of vehicles stopped along the side street. Attachment 2 outlines the parking location.

According to the City's parking by-law (064-2019, Sec 5 (9.q)), parking is prohibited on any portion of the boulevard except for a driveway, including its apron. At this location, the driveway apron is considered part of the City's right-of-way. From discussion with Enforcement Services staff, parking on an apron is permitted when there is sufficient space for a vehicle to park without encroaching onto the sidewalk or travelled portion of the road. A parking infraction is issued if a vehicle parked on the apron encroaches onto the sidewalk or the road.

Due to various factors, including current city-wide parking enforcement practices, multi-generational homes, and high housing prices, parking on the apron is permitted to accommodate and support residents if there are no vehicular encroachments on the sidewalk or roadway.

**The pedestrian crossover at the intersection is considered a controlled crossing, and adequate sight distance for all road users is required.**

The current crossing requires pedestrians to observe oncoming traffic on Grand Trunk Avenue before entering the crosswalk to safely cross the street. As a result of the vehicle parked on the apron, the intersection sight distance is also obstructed for pedestrians on the southwest corner intending to cross eastbound.



**An all-way stop control is recommended at the intersection of Grand Trunk Avenue and Sand Valley Street to address resident concerns and traffic operations.**

According to the Ontario Traffic Manual (OTM) Book 5, the minimum volume warrant for an all-way stop on urban roadways is not currently met at this intersection. However, the OTM also states that if “all attempts to improve the sight distance have been exhausted and it still does not meet the guidelines, the intersection may be considered for conversion to an all-way stop operation”. City staff have explored various solutions to the sightline concern, including potential parking restrictions on the apron and the implementation of traffic calming measures.

At this time, implementing a parking restriction on the apron is not a viable option due to current city-wide parking enforcement practices and the need to ensure fairness amongst residents. Traffic calming measures can help manage speed and increase driver awareness, but the sightline issue remains. Therefore, we recommend an all-way stop as the most effective measure to address this concern. An all-way stop requires all drivers to come to a complete stop and proceed safely at the intersection, yielding to other drivers and pedestrians.

**Financial Impact.**

The capital cost associated with installing the all-way stop signs is estimated to be \$700 and has been included in the approved 2024 Operating Budget. The on-going cost to maintain the signs and pavement markings is estimated to be \$200 per annum and will be incorporated in future year Operating Budgets.

**Operational Impacts**

Consultation has taken place with Roads Operations, and the By-law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services department throughout assessing options to address the parking concerns. Staff will work with Road Operations to implement and maintain the signage. The ongoing cost to maintain the signage and pavement markings will be incorporated in future years’ Operating Budgets through the budget process.

**Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

York Regional Police will be responsible for enforcing compliance with the recommended all-way stop at the intersection of Grand Trunk Avenue and Sand Valley Street. As such, a copy of this report will be forwarded to them upon approval of the recommendations by Council.

**Conclusion**

A traffic review determined the minimal sight distance requirement at the Grand Trunk Avenue and Sand Valley Street intersection is not met for eastbound motorists and

pedestrians when vehicles are parked on the apron. Staff have explored several options and propose the implementation of an all-way stop control at the noted intersection to reduce the risks associated with the current sight distance conditions.

**For more information**, please contact:

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### **Attachments**

1. Location Map.
2. Sightline concerns at Grand Trunk Avenue and Sand Valley Street.

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### **Approved by**



Zoran Postic, Deputy City Manager,  
Public Works

### **Reviewed by**



Nick Spensieri, City Manager









# ATTACHMENT NO.2



## INTERSECTION SIGHTLINE CONCERNS - GRAND TRUNK AVENUE AND SAND VALLEY STREET - WARD 4, BLOCK 18

### LEGEND



REQUIRED INTERSECTION SIGHT DISTANCE FOR MOTORISTS STOPPED AT SAND VALLEY STREET







## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE:** ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC ECONOMIC INITIATIVES (SEI) – 2023 YEAR IN REVIEW

**FROM:**

Nick Spensieri, City Manager

**ACTION:** INFORMATION

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**Purpose**

To provide an update on key accomplishments from the programs and initiatives undertaken by Economic Development's Strategic Economic Initiatives unit in 2023.

**Report Highlights**

- The Economic Development Department's Strategic Economic Initiatives (SEI) unit undertakes key strategic projects that establish economic assets upon which our businesses and talent grow.
- In 2023, the SEI unit advanced and expanded the scope of key projects in five areas: Smart Cities Development, Public Art and Art Development, Municipal Partnerships, Economic Asset Development (i.e., Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct) and Strategic Economic Relations and Intergovernmental Relations.
- These projects aim to promote the growth of the City's business community and attract businesses and talent to Vaughan.
- The SEI Year in Review report provides a snapshot of upcoming transformative, ambitious, and sustainable and purpose-driven projects that will catalyze stakeholders, talent, and assets to drive creative placemaking.

**Recommendation**

1. THAT the Economic Development Strategic Economic Initiatives - 2023 Year in Review report be received for information.

## **Background**

***The Strategic Economic Initiatives unit within Economic Development catalyzes stakeholders, talent, and assets to drive creative placemaking.***

The Economic Development Department's Strategic Economic Initiatives (SEI) unit undertakes key strategic projects that establish economic assets. These projects aim to promote the growth of the City's business community and attract businesses and talent to Vaughan. The SEI unit strives to transform placemaking by developing ambitious, sustainable, and purpose-driven projects that better the community.



Within the SEI unit, staff are undertaking projects in the following areas:

1. Smart Cities development
2. Public Art and Art development
3. Municipal Partnerships
4. Economic Asset Development (i.e., Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct)
5. Strategic Economic Relations and Intergovernmental Relations

The 2023 SEI Year in Review will highlight key projects, initiatives, programs, and accomplishments for the past year. It recognizes Economic Development staff, partners, and community stakeholders for their vital role in advancing economic opportunities, attracting new investments, and enabling a climate for businesses to grow, prosper and create jobs.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

[Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of October 2, 2019 \(Item 1, Report No. 27 of the Committee of the Whole\)](#)

[Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of June 22, 2021 \(Item 19, Report No. 32 of the Committee of the Whole\)](#)

[Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of June 28, 2022 \(Item 32, Report No. 30 of the Committee of the Whole\)](#)

[Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2023 \(Item 9, Report No. 9 of the Committee of the Whole\)](#)

## **Analysis and Options**

In 2023, the Strategic Economic Initiatives Unit has made progress in Smart Cities Development, Public Art and Art Development, Municipal Partnerships, Economic Asset Development, Strategic Economic Relations, and Intergovernmental Relations.

Some highlights from 2023 include:

<b>2023 Key Accomplishments</b>	
Smart Cities Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Launched OVIN Demonstration Zone, a testbed for emerging mobility solutions in Vaughan, in partnership with City of Markham and secured \$2.5M grant funding from Ontario Vehicle Innovation Network (OVIN).</li><li>• Economic Development staff participated in Smart Cities Connect Conference and Expo in Denver, Colorado, in May 2023 to raise the profile of Vaughan's economy and to promote Vaughan's strategic city-building projects (Smart City and Next Generation Health and Healthcare delivery) on a world stage.</li><li>• Received endorsement from the Council-led Accessibility Advisory Committee on CNIB pilot to make city facilities accessible to the visually impaired.</li><li>• OVIN Demonstration Zone won the 2023 Community Economic Development – Urban award from the Economic Development Council of Ontario (EDCO).</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Received Council approval in the 2024 budget to move forward with a City app.</li> </ul>
Public Art and Art Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In VMC North, a substantial Public Art Plan was developed and approved for implementing a \$2,185,000 program of contemporary art expression (including a monumental gateway feature) in three key locations at 7800 Jane Street, designed to animate the urban design context and advance creative placemaking conceptually aligned with the natural forms of Edgeley Pond and Park and the Black Creek, pre-colonial histories of Indigenous Peoples, early days of agriculture and industry, or post-war boom in population growth and diversity.</li> <li>Curated and installed the exhibition, <i>Selections from the Corporate Art Collection</i> on the SLATE atrium art gallery at Vaughan City Hall, profiling permanent acquisitions housed as fine art assets in the Art Integration Collection.</li> <li>Launched the Group of Seven REMIXED pilot for the ARTonBOXES traffic signal box program, designed to enhance Vaughan’s public realm, unveiling 12 original works of art capturing the spirit of the Canadian Landscape in high-density traffic areas across all five wards of the City; AND in tandem, developed the ARTonBOXES 10-Year Implementation Strategy, approved by Council, for delivering a signature creative placemaking initiative endorsed by York Region.</li> </ul>
Municipal Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Secured \$71 million in grant revenue to offset major capital and operating expenses and alleviate pressure on the tax base, including \$59 million from the Housing Accelerator Fund (the single largest amount of government funding secured in the municipalities’ history).</li> <li>Phase 2 of the Digital Billboard Revenue Project was approved for construction, adding 8 locations to the inventory, and expanding the City’s communication network and revenue share.</li> <li>Grow with Vaughan horticulture sponsorship program won the Building Initiatives Award in the 2023 Community Economic Development –</li> </ul>

	<p>Urban category from the Economic Development Council of Ontario (EDCO).</p>
<p>Economic Asset Development</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supported the ventureLAB Hardware Catalyst Initiative (HCI) MedTech lab opening in Vaughan.</li> <li>• Entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the McMichael Art Collection and Vaughan International Film Festival to advance the city's arts, culture and creative industries and bring a new Creative Industries Centre of Excellence to life.</li> <li>• Participated in the Collision Conference in Toronto to raise the profile of Vaughan's economy among global audiences and generate trade opportunities and investment leads across the city's key sectors.</li> <li>• Re-launched the Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct Advisory Task Force.</li> <li>• York University hosted the first annual Community Health Lecture at Vaughan City Hall.</li> </ul>
<p>Strategic Economic Relations and Intergovernmental Relations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vaughan Council endorsed a Strategic Intergovernmental Relations Framework to advance Council-approved initiatives, including advocacy efforts with other government levels led by the Head of Council. This same staff report also outlined the draft Mandate and Terms of Reference for establishing an Intergovernmental Relations Subcommittee to support these efforts by further engaging Members of Council and key stakeholders.</li> <li>• Held the inaugural meeting of the Intergovernmental Relations Subcommittee.</li> <li>• Organized and welcomed the Mayor of Tropea, Italy with an official meeting with the Mayor and Members of Council.</li> <li>• Participated in the CIJA antisemitism conference in Ottawa, ON.</li> </ul>



## 2024 Look Ahead

The SEI unit is dedicated to advancing economic opportunities, creating a climate for job creation, and increasing local investments through key projects and initiatives. SEI unit has several standout projects and initiatives scheduled for 2024 and beyond.

2024 Key Activities	
Smart Cities Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch a two-year accessibility technology pilot to help the visually impaired or blind navigate independently in select City facilities, in partnership with the Office of the Chief Human Resource Officer and Facility Management</li> <li>• Deliver the OVIN Demonstration Zone program in partnership with Infrastructure Planning and Corporate Asset Management and the City of Markham.</li> </ul>
Public Art and Art Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Milestones are advancing for more than a dozen high-profile public art projects positioned to animate the personality of the VMC and districts City-wide during the 2022-2026 Term of Council.</li> <li>• In VMC North, Cortel Group’s landmark three-dimensional, multi-media public art sculpture, “Edgeley Pond Fathom”, will be installed and unveiled this summer on the site of EXPO City CG Tower, overlooking Edgeley Pond &amp; Park, alluding to the previous industrial life of the area through a transformation-themed storyline paying homage to the landscape, history of the land and the story of Black Creek.</li> <li>• In Thornhill at Bathurst and Beverley Glen, the Daniels BAIF multi-media sculptural installation series, “Circle of Life” is slated for completion this summer, unveiling two components of the indigenous-themed artwork referencing the buried rivers and waterways historically used by Indigenous peoples as navigational passages.</li> <li>• The first ARTonBOXES program Call for Artist Submissions will be posted this fall, to adjudicate works designed to animate the curated theme dedicated to the “ART of HEALING” – an inspired intersection of art meeting health – where art plays centre stage in supporting our physical, mental, and social</li> </ul>

	well-being, for installation on 10 traffic signal boxes City-wide in the spring of 2025.
Municipal Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advancing Phase 2 and 3 of the Digital Billboard Revenue programs.</li> <li>• Continue to identify, circulate, and apply for eligible grant opportunities city-wide including the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund for up to \$35 million for stormwater redevelopment in the VMC.</li> <li>• Launch a Green Guardians Sponsorship and Donation Program in partnership with Parks, Forestry and Horticulture Operations.</li> </ul>
Economic Asset Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working with the Parks Infrastructure Planning and Development department to support ongoing work to develop North Maple Regional Park into a world-class destination for mixed-use sport, recreation, wellness, education, and culture.</li> <li>• Formalizing a partnership with the McMichael Canadian Art Collection and the Vaughan International Film Festival to advance a Creative Industries Centre of Excellence in Vaughan.</li> </ul>
Strategic Economic Relations and Intergovernmental Relations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue providing support to the Intergovernmental Relations Committee.</li> <li>• Execute the City of Vaughan MP/MPP Breakfast.</li> <li>• Build out an international relations plan with gateway economies.</li> <li>• This includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Planning for government-to-government trade mission meetings for Chicago Trade Mission, Italy Trade Mission, and India Trade Mission.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Continue to identify international associations (e.g., Indo-Canadian Chamber of Commerce) and Counsel General offices to liaise with.</li> <li>• Renewal of relevant international economic and cultural partnerships.</li> </ul>

**Financial Impact**

N/A

## **Operational Impact**

All necessary internal departments related to each program were consulted and provided with an opportunity to contribute to the success of the SEI business unit in Economic Development.

Externally, several partners impact the operations of various projects including:

- **Smart City:** City of Markham, Ontario Centre for Innovation, York Region, CNIB.
- **Public Art:** York Catholic and York District School Boards, Cortel Group, Daniels BAIF.
- **Municipal Partnerships:** Program Sponsors, government granting bodies, advertisers and vendors.
- **Economic Asset Development:** McMichael Canadian Art Collection, Vaughan International Film Festival, York University, Mackenzie Health.
- **Strategic Economic Relations and Intergovernmental Relations:** Vaughan MP/MPPs, consulates and chamber of commerce.

## **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

The Economic Development Strategic Economic Initiatives - 2023 Year in Review complements communications and outreach strategies to help raise the profile of Vaughan's economy.

A copy of the publication will be uploaded on [www.vaughanbusiness.ca](http://www.vaughanbusiness.ca) and distributed to critical local/regional partners and stakeholders, such as York Region Economic Development, the Vaughan Chamber of Commerce, other Chambers of Commerce, consuls in the Ontario and Canadian marketplaces, ministries, local and regional stakeholders, and prospective business relocation opportunities. Sharing this publication with key stakeholders will help raise the City's profile, attract new partners and investments, and support the expansion of the local business community.

## **Conclusion**

The City of Vaughan continues to be a city in demand for both residents and businesses to invest in and grow. In 2023, the SEI unit accelerated and expanded the scope of key projects to help build Vaughan's economic resilience.

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## **Attachment**

1. 2023 SEI YEAR IN REVIEW INFOGRAPHIC.

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Nick Spensieri, City Manager



# Strategic Economic Initiatives

## 2023 Year in Review

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Smart Cities development



Public art and art development



Municipal partnerships



Economic asset development



Strategic economic relations and intergovernmental relations

## 2023 KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### MARCH

Supported the opening of the **ventureLAB Hardware Catalyst Initiative MedTech lab** in Vaughan.

### MAY

Participated in the **Smart Cities Connect Conference** and Expo in Denver, Colorado, to promote Vaughan's strategic city-building projects on a world stage.

Vaughan Council endorsed a **Strategic Intergovernmental Relations Framework** to advance Council-approved initiatives, including advocacy efforts with other government levels led by the head of Council. This same staff report also outlined the draft Mandate and Terms of Reference for establishing an Intergovernmental Relations Sub-Committee to support these efforts by further engaging Members of Council and key stakeholders.

### APRIL

Curated and installed the **Selections from the Corporate Art Collection** exhibition in the 'on the SLATE' atrium art gallery at Vaughan City Hall.

### JUNE

Launched the **ARTonBOXES** program through the Group of Seven REMIXED pilot project, unveiling **12 original works** of art in high-density traffic areas across the city.

Entered into a **Memorandum of Understanding** with the McMichael Canadian Art Collection and Vaughan International Film Festival to advance the city's arts, culture and creative industries.



## JULY

Secured **\$2.5 million** in grant funding from the Ontario Vehicle Innovation Network (OVIN) to launch an **OVIN Demonstration Zone**, a testbed for emerging mobility solutions in Vaughan, in partnership with the City of Markham.

## OCTOBER

Partnered with York University to host the first annual **Community Health Lecture** at Vaughan City Hall.

## DECEMBER

Received Council approval to proceed with the Digital Billboard Revenue Project Phase 2 to add **eight digital billboard locations** to the inventory, expanding the City's communication network and increasing revenue share.

Received Council approval for the York Region-endorsed **ARTonBOXES 10-Year Implementation Strategy** that will see more than **100 new public art installations** animate Vaughan's public realm.

## SEPTEMBER

Received approval for a monumental **Vaughan Metropolitan Centre Public Art Plan** to implement a **\$2.1 million** program of contemporary art expression in three key locations at 7800 Jane St.

Relaunched the **Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct Advisory Task Force**.

## NOVEMBER

Received support from the Council-led Accessibility Advisory Committee to pilot an **Indoor Wayfinding project** with the Canadian National Institute for the Blind and GoodMaps to make some City facilities more accessible for those with vision-related disabilities.

Hosted the first **Intergovernmental Relations Sub-Committee** meeting.

Organized and welcomed a **delegation from Tropea, Italy** to Vaughan City Hall, providing an opportunity for international promotion of city assets and an exchange of economic development best practices.

Secured more than **\$70 million in grant revenue** - including the single largest amount of government funding in the City's history through the Housing Accelerator Fund - to offset major capital and operating expenses and alleviate pressure on the tax base.

### Economic Developers Association of Canada (EDAC) Marketing Canada Awards

Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct Lure Book

- Single Publication - five or more pages category
- 2023 EDAC Cup Contender - Best in Category
- 2023 EDAC Cup - Best of Show

### International Economic Development Council (IEDC) Excellence in Economic Development Awards

Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct Lure Book

- Silver Award - Print Brochure category

### Economic Development Council of Ontario (EDCO) Awards of Excellence

Grow with Vaughan Horticulture Sponsorship Program

- Building Initiatives Award

### Economic Development Council of Ontario (EDCO) Awards of Excellence

OVIN Demonstration Zone

- Community Economic Development Award

## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE:** VENTURELAB ANNUAL UPDATE - 2023

**FROM:**

Nick Spensieri, City Manager

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

In accordance with the terms of the 2022-2026 partnership agreement between the City of Vaughan and ventureLAB, ventureLAB is providing an annual update on key activities and successes in 2023. This report seeks Council endorsement to continue the partnership with ventureLAB in 2024 to advance ongoing work to catalyze the growth and development of tech and innovation sector in Vaughan.

## **Report Highlights**

- Economic Development has continued to work with ventureLAB, the provincially designated Regional Innovation Centre (RIC) for York Region, to enhance services for innovators and technology companies in Vaughan.
- In 2023, ventureLAB collaborated closely with Economic Development to build innovation capacity, drive job creation and economic growth, and generate an investment pipeline to attract top-tier tech companies from around the globe to Vaughan.
- In March 2023, ventureLAB opened the Hardware Catalyst Initiative MedTech lab in Vaughan in partnership with Sterling Industries, which is catalyzing the growth of Vaughan's medtech sector by attracting leading start-ups, supporting their growth and development, and raising the profile of Vaughan as a world-class destination for health innovation. This is a key steppingstone to a future ventureLAB facility at the Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct (VHCP).
- Given the past year's successes, the City should continue to deepen the partnership with ventureLAB and build on strategies and activities which support the growth and success of Vaughan's technology, MedTech and automotive tech sectors.

## **Recommendations**

1. THAT Council receive ventureLAB's annual update, evidencing the successful achievement of the key performance indicators set out in Schedule C of the ventureLAB/City of Vaughan 2022-2026 partnership agreement (Attachment 1); and
2. THAT, as per Section 4.4 of the ventureLAB/City of Vaughan 2022-2026 partnership agreement, Council approve the continuation of the partnership in 2024.

## **Background**

***Health technology, auto parts manufacturing and innovation, and advanced manufacturing innovation are key established and emerging clusters in Vaughan's economy.***

Innovation capacity is central to the success and growth of Vaughan's established and emerging sectors, including advanced manufacturing, auto technology, and health technology. To catalyze economic growth in these sectors, Economic Development has partnered with ventureLAB to provide targeted support, resources, equipment, and

advisory services for businesses in high-growth industries. This partnership leverages ventureLAB's demonstrated track record in the health technology, life sciences, auto technology, software and services, and technology hardware sectors.

***Economic Development has continued to deepen its partnership with ventureLAB, the provincially designated Regional Innovation Centre (RIC) for York Region, to enhance services for innovators and technology companies in Vaughan.***

ventureLAB offers advisory services, accelerator programming and access to critical equipment and resources to help technology companies raise capital, recruit and retain talent, commercialize new technology and intellectual property, and acquire customers. ventureLAB's mandate is to support the growth of globally competitive technology companies that grow to scale in York Region and Canada.

In 2022, Council endorsed a renewed partnership agreement between the City and ventureLAB for 2022-2026, for the purpose of expanding resources and support available to Vaughan-based technology companies. This partnership agreement focuses on advancing three strategic objectives:

1. Contribute to the Diversification and Competitiveness of Vaughan's Economy by building capacity for clusters in Health and Advanced Manufacturing.
2. Establish a ventureLAB facility in Vaughan.
3. Promote and profile Vaughan as a hub for entrepreneurship.

***ventureLAB is a member of the Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct (VHCP) partnership and is contributing to efforts to develop the VHCP into an epicentre for excellence in healthcare and health technology.***

As a VHCP partner, ventureLAB contributes to the technology development and commercialization, talent development and innovation goals of the VHCP partnership.

In March 2023, ventureLAB opened the Hardware Catalyst Initiative MedTech lab in Vaughan which will act as a critical magnet for supporting the growth of high-potential medical device companies and attracting them to Vaughan. The new MedTech lab is a significant step along the path to developing the VHCP and offers significant opportunities for entrepreneurs, healthcare practitioners, tech-sector talent and researchers to collaborate to advance the next generation of healthcare and health technology.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

[REGIONAL INNOVATION CENTRE \(VENTURELAB\) UPDATE – Committee of the Whole, Tuesday, May 07, 2019](#)

[Economic Development Strategic Business Plan 2020-2023](#)

[SUPPORTING VAUGHAN'S INNOVATORS – UPDATE AND NEXT STEPS – Committee of the Whole \(2\), Tuesday, February 8, 2022](#)

[ventureLAB Annual Update – Committee of the Whole \(2\), Wednesday March 8, 2023](#)

## **Analysis and Options**

***In 2023, ventureLAB delivered programs, services, and ecosystem development activities to build innovation capacity, drive job creation and catalyze economic growth in the city of Vaughan's technology and innovation sector.***

ventureLAB has identified 3 key strategic objectives for the term of the 2022-2026 partnership agreement with the City of Vaughan:

1. Contribute to the Diversification and Competitiveness of Vaughan's Economy by building capacity for clusters in Health and Advanced Manufacturing.
2. Establish a ventureLAB facility in Vaughan.
3. Promote and profile Vaughan as a hub for entrepreneurship.

**A major milestone in 2023 was the establishment of the Hardware Catalyst Initiative (HCI) for MedTech in Vaughan.**

To establish the lab, ventureLAB partnered with Vaughan-based leading medical device contract manufacturer Sterling Industries to establish a State-of-the-Art MedTech Lab at Sterling's Vaughan facility. ventureLAB received \$2.5 in provincial funding to establish the lab and develop the MedTech stream of the HCI program. This first-of-its-kind facility in Canada, and the partnership with Sterling Industries and ventureLAB's global network of partners, are propelling Vaughan into the future of what is possible at the intersection of MedTech, AI and Hardware. Since the MedTech lab officially opened in 2023, 11 MedTech companies have participated in ventureLAB's MedTech HCI stream, gaining access to equipment, advisory services, and commercialization support in Vaughan.

***In 2024, ventureLAB will focus on deepening its presence in Vaughan through the MedTech lab and through collaborative programming and marketing targeted at growing Vaughan’s MedTech and automotive clusters.***

ventureLAB plans to raise the profile of Vaughan’s Health Cluster in Vaughan by participating in the 2024 MedTech Conference, hosted in Toronto this October. A focus on hosting sector-specific roundtables will also facilitate the development of ecosystem connections and industry collaboration opportunities. ventureLAB will also continue to collaborate with Economic Development on co-marketing initiatives to promote and attract companies to Vaughan.

### **Financial Impact**

In 2022, Council endorsed a renewed partnership with ventureLAB for 2022-2026. In accordance with the terms of this partnership, ventureLAB reports annually to Council on the three key objectives of the agreement in order to secure approval for the continuation of the partnership.

***For 2024-2026, a capital budget request was approved to meet the requirements for the continuation of this partnership agreement, in accordance with the payment schedule set out below.***

<b>Year</b>	<b>Payment</b>
2022	\$55,000
2023	\$75,000
2024	\$100,000
2025	\$125,000
2026	\$150,000

### **Operational Impact**

None.

### **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

***Vaughan is uniquely positioned to develop thriving MedTech and automobility tech sectors by building on existing regional partnerships, expanding resources and support for emerging industry leaders, and attracting new companies to invest in Vaughan’s clusters.***

Many other municipalities in the GTHA are responding to economic trends by making significant investments in assets and partnerships to support the innovation sector and secure long-term economic prosperity.

Continued investments in expanded services, resources and physical spaces for Vaughan's technology companies will help Vaughan remain competitive relative to other hubs in the Region. Vaughan is uniquely positioned, by virtue of its prime location and access to transportation corridors within the GTA, density of highly skilled talent, and advancement of strategic initiatives such as the VHCP, to develop dense and prosperous MedTech and automobility tech clusters.

## **Conclusion**

In 2023, ventureLAB delivered services and programs to build innovation capacity, drive job creation and economic growth, and generate an investment pipeline to attract top-tier tech companies from around the globe to Vaughan. The annual update from ventureLAB highlights major milestones and successes from 2023, including the opening of the Hardware Catalyst Initiative MedTech lab in Vaughan.

With Council approval, Economic Development will continue the partnership with ventureLAB in 2024.

**For more information**, please contact: Raphael Costa, Director, Economic Development, ext. 8891.

## **Attachment**

1. ventureLAB/City of Vaughan Partnership Agreement (2022-2026)

## **Prepared by**

Julie Flesch, Senior Advisor, Strategic Economic Initiatives, ext. 8893  
Raphael Costa, Director, Economic Development, ext. 8891

## **Approved by**



Nick Spensieri, City Manager



**FUNDING AGREEMENT**

(the “**Agreement**”)

**This Agreement** is effective as of the 1 day of January, 2022 (the “**Effective Date**”).

BETWEEN:

**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VAUGHAN**

(“**CITY**”)

-and-

**VENTURELAB REGIONAL INNOVATION CENTRE**

( “**VL**” )

(each a “Party” and collectively the “Parties”)

**RECITALS:**

1. WHEREAS VL is a leading technology hub that supports tech entrepreneurs and small businesses, with a vision to make York Region a destination of choice for technology firms to create globally competitive companies, building and scaling in Canada;
2. WHEREAS as a leading innovation partner in York Region with a sustainable governance, funding and staffing model, VL works to grow globally competitive tech titans that build-to-scale in Canada;
3. WHEREAS VL manages programs and services that contribute to business growth and innovation, thereby stimulating the economy and strengthening key sectors in York Region and Vaughan, such as advanced manufacturing, hardware and medtech and other emerging technology sectors;
4. WHEREAS the CITY works to make Vaughan a place where entrepreneurship, business, tourism, art and culture prosper and grow, with one of its strategic goals to develop Vaughan as an entrepreneurial, small business and innovation hub;
5. WHEREAS VL and the CITY share a mutual long-term goal to increase technology related entrepreneurship, research and commercialization services, including the development and operation of an innovation lab in Vaughan;
6. WHEREAS VL has partnered with the CITY, York University and Mackenzie Health to establish and operate an innovation lab on CITY-owned lands at the Healthcare Centre Precinct, adjacent to the new Mackenzie Vaughan Hospital;
7. WHEREAS the CITY and VL have planned tech entrepreneurship services, projects and programs that drive-toward achieving mutual goals (the “Program”);
8. WHEREAS the CITY desires to formalize a partnership with VL and fund a portion of

the Program by making a financial contribution to VL pursuant to the terms and conditions set out herein; and

In consideration of the covenants, rights and obligations set out below, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

## **1.0 SCHEDULES AND ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

1.1 The following schedules form part of this Agreement:

<b>Schedule</b>	<b>Description</b>
Schedule "A"	CITY Official Mark
Schedule "B"	VL Mark
Schedule "C"	Partnership Objectives

1.2 This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties concerning the Program. There are no warranties, representations, covenants or agreements, expressed or implied, between the parties except those expressly set forth in this Agreement. Any amendments or modifications of this Agreement shall be in writing and executed by the Parties.

## **2.0 PARTNERSHIP OBJECTIVES AND BENEFITS**

2.1 The purpose of the partnership between VL and the CITY is set out in Schedule C "Partnership Objectives". The Parties acknowledge and agree that Schedule C sets out the objectives and key performance indicators to guide activities under this agreement. The intent is to enable the talent, entrepreneurship, and robust industry clusters in Vaughan and to coordinate CITY and VL efforts to scale Vaughan companies into global enterprises.

## **3.0 TERM**

3.1 The term of this Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and remain in effect until December 31, 2026, unless terminated earlier in accordance with Article 13 of this Agreement (the "Term").

## **4.0 PAYMENT TERMS**

4.1 The CITY shall pay to VL the sum of \$505,000 in accordance with the payment schedule set out below, and VL shall provide the Program hereto:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Payment</b>
2022	\$55,000
2023	\$75,000
2024	\$100,000
2025	\$125,000
2026	\$150,000

- 4.2 Payment will be made by cheque, or electronically, payable to VL for the Program.
- 4.3 The Parties acknowledge and agree that the payments made pursuant to this Agreement are in consideration for only the Program described herein and do not replace, reduce, eliminate or otherwise abate any current obligations, financial or otherwise between the Parties.
- 4.4 The first payment under this agreement shall be made yearly. Subsequent payments to be made at the start of each calendar year, but will be conditional upon:
- (a) successful achievement of the objectives in this Agreement in the preceding calendar year, as evidenced by VL reporting on and meeting, to the satisfaction of the CITY, the key performance indicators set out in Schedule C, and
  - (b) future CITY budget approvals as required.

**5.0 USE OF OFFICIAL MARK**

- 5.1 The CITY grants VL a non-exclusive, royalty-free, world-wide license to use its Official Mark (as set out in Schedule A) during the Term on marketing, advertising, operation, and promotion of the Program subject to the CITY's consent on the initial use
- 5.2 VL will comply with any guidelines set for the use of the Official Mark. VL will obtain the written approval of the CITY at least five (5) days prior to the use of any marketing or advertising material which uses the Official Mark or refers to CITY in the Program.
- 5.3 In the event VL defaults on any of the obligations set out in this Article, the CITY will have the right to terminate use of the Official Mark immediately upon written notice of such default. The City may, at its sole and absolute discretion, provide a period in which VL may cure the default, during which time VL may continue to use the Official Mark pursuant to this Article.
- 5.4 Upon termination of its rights to use the Official Mark, VL will immediately cease any and all use or display of the Official Mark.

## **6.0 USE OF VL MARK**

- 6.1 VL grants to the CITY a non-exclusive, royalty-free, world-wide license to use VL's Mark (as set out in Schedule B) in association with the operation, advertising and promotion of the Program.
- 6.2 The CITY's use of VL's Mark will be subject to VL's consent. The CITY will comply with any guidelines set by VL for the use of VL's Mark. The CITY will make a reasonable effort to obtain written approval from VL at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the use of any marketing or advertising material which uses VL's Mark. The Parties acknowledge and agree that under urgent circumstances the CITY may seek such approval on a same-day or several-hour basis, and VL shall use best efforts to provide approval under such circumstances.
- 6.3 The CITY is not obligated to use a particular form of VL's Mark and reserves the right to use a colour or black-and-white version of VL's Mark.
- 6.4 In the event the CITY defaults on any of the conditions set out in the Article of this Agreement, VL has the right to terminate the CITY's right to use VL's Mark after receiving written notice of such default, provided that the CITY is given five (5) business days to cure such default, or such other greater period of time set by VL, after written notice of the default is given.
- 6.5 In the event of termination of the CITY's right to use VL's Mark, the CITY will promptly cease to produce materials that contain VL's Mark. The CITY may continue to use or display materials that contain VL's Mark for a period of up to three (3) months after the date of termination.

## **7.0 THIRD PARTY AFFILIATION**

- 7.1 VL shall not permit any trademark, trade name, emblem, logo or other 'official mark denoting or identifying any third party or any third party's products or services to appear in or otherwise form a part of any marketing or advertising materials which display the CITY's Official Mark without the prior written consent of the CITY.
- 7.2 VL shall not participate in a promotion or activity with a person who is not a party of the Program using the Official Marks or otherwise implying an association with the CITY, or its events, programs, services, and/or facilities without the prior written consent of the CITY.

## **8.0 PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 8.1 The Parties will not publicly announce the existence or nature of the Program formed under this Agreement until both Parties consent to such announcement.
- 8.2 The Parties will provide reasonable advance notice to each other of public announcements, events and ceremonies respecting activities governed by this Agreement. The Parties will make a reasonable effort to provide an opportunity for the other Party to participate in such announcements, events and ceremonies.

## 9.0 REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- 9.1 Each of the Parties represents and warrants that the signatories to this Agreement have been duly authorized to execute and deliver this Agreement on its behalf, that the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement have been duly and validly authorized and that when executed and delivered, this Agreement will constitute a legal, valid and binding obligation enforceable in accordance with its terms.

## 10.0 NOTICES AND AMENDMENTS

- 10.1 All notices, demands, amendments, or other communications (“Notices”) required or permitted by this Agreement, to be given to any Party, shall be in writing and shall be

- (a) delivered either to the individual designated below for such Party, or to an individual having apparent authority to accept deliveries on behalf of such Party at its physical address set out below; or
- (b) sent by registered mail; or
- (c) sent by electronic mail

at or to the applicable addresses or electronic mail addresses set out below or to such other contact, address or electronic mail address as may be designated by a Party from time to time:

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2141 Major Mackenzie Drive  
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[raphael.costa@vaughan.ca](mailto:raphael.costa@vaughan.ca)

## 11.0 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 11.1 If a dispute arises concerning the application or interpretation of this Agreement, the Parties will attempt to resolve the matter through negotiation, and may, by mutual consent and at the sole and absolute discretion of the Parties, resolve the matter through mediation with a mutually acceptable mediator or arbitration process in accordance with the *Commercial Arbitration Code* set out in the *Commercial Arbitration Act* (Canada).

## 12.0 DEFAULT AND TERMINATION

- 12.1 In the event of default by either Party of any material term or condition of this Agreement, and subject to Section 5.3, the defaulting Party will have thirty (30) days after receiving notice of the default to cure the default or to take steps satisfactory to

the other Party to remedy the default, failing which the other Party may terminate this Agreement effective immediately at the end of such thirty (30) day period by providing notice of termination.

12.2 Either Party may terminate this Agreement

- (a) immediately, upon written notice to the other, if the other Party becomes bankrupt or insolvent or enters into liquidation (other than a voluntary liquidation for reconstruction, amalgamation, or similar reorganization) or has a receiver appointed;
- (b) on thirty (30) days prior written notice, if the other Party has ceased to carry on business or undergoes a material change in its business activities; and
- (c) on ten (10) days prior written notice, in the event that the other Party, including its affiliates and representatives, commits or becomes involved in any activity after the date of this Agreement that results in a material reputational risk to either Party, including without limitation activities which cause offense, outrage, ridicule or contempt and which otherwise may negatively affect the reputation of either Party among the public.

12.3 If this Agreement is terminated before the expiration of the Term, and except if it is terminated pursuant to Sections 13.1 and 13.2(c),

(a) the CITY will receive a pro rata refund of any amounts paid, or pro rata extinguishing of any amounts due, or both as the case may be for any rights or benefits not received by CITY at the time of termination; and

(b) VL shall make a pro rata payment for any rights or benefits received and not paid for at the time of termination.

**13.0 INDEMNITY AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

13.1 Each Party will indemnify the other Party, its affiliates, and each of their respective directors, officers, employees, elected officials, agents, successors and assigns from and against any liability, loss, cost, damage, settlement, penalty or expense they may incur, including reasonable legal fees and court costs, as a result of

(a) the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying Party or any agent or contractor acting on its behalf;

(b) any improper use of the Official Mark (in the case of VL), and VL's Mark (in the case of the CITY); and

(c) any injuries to persons and/or property sustained at any event or activity held or conducted pursuant to the Program, except to the extent that such injury to property or person was caused by the negligence or misconduct of the other Party or any agent, employee or contractor acting on its behalf.

13.2 In no event shall either Party be liable to the other for any consequential, incidental, special reliance or indirect damages (including without limitation lost revenue and lost profits) arising out of or related to the Program, its cancellation or any changes thereto in location, date or otherwise, whether such claim is based in contract or tort.

13.3 Each Party shall defend and indemnify the other Party and its Indemnified Associates against any third party claim, suit, or proceeding arising out of, related to, or alleging unauthorized disclosure or exposure of personally identifiable information and personal information .

#### **14.0 INSURANCE**

14.1 Each Party will be responsible for maintaining a commercially reasonable type and amount of insurance to cover its participation in Program activities. Without limiting the foregoing, each Party will provide and maintain comprehensive general liability insurance coverage in an amount of not less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) per occurrence during the Term.

#### **15.0 ATTENDANCE**

15.1 The Parties agree to attend meetings of the VL Board of Directors and CITY Council (or a Standing Committee of Council), if required, to report on the performance of this Agreement, and the Program.

#### **16.0 GENERAL PROVISIONS**

16.1 **Construction.** The Parties agree that the terms of this Agreement result from negotiations between them. This Agreement will not be construed in favour of or against either Party by reason of authorship.

16.2 **Agency.** Nothing in this Agreement is to be construed as authorizing one Party to contract for or to incur any obligation on behalf of the other, or to act as agent for the other Party; or creating a joint venture or agency relationship between the Parties.

16.3 **Severability.** If any one or more of the provisions of this Agreement shall be found to be illegal or unenforceable, this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, and such term or provision shall be deemed severed.

16.4 **Confidentiality.** The data, phrases and circumstances of this Agreement are completely confidential between the Parties and shall not be disclosed to anybody else. Any disclosure in violation shall be deemed a breach of this Agreement. Neither Party shall use confidential information for any purpose other than to facilitate the transactions contemplated by the Agreement.

16.5 **Intellectual Property and Acquired Data.** All right, title, and interest in generated Intellectual Property and Acquired Data will remain the property of the respective Parties who originated it. Both Parties will promptly notify each other if either becomes aware of any potential infringement with generated Intellectual Property and Acquired Data in the performance of the Program.



- 16.6 **Waiver.** No failure by either Party hereto at any time to give notice of any breach by the other party of, or to require compliance with, any condition or provision of this Agreement shall be deemed a waiver of similar or dissimilar provisions or conditions at the same or at any prior or subsequent time.
- 16.7 **Jurisdiction.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario.
- 16.8 **Assignment.** Neither Party may assign this Agreement to another Party, or any part thereof, nor any amount payable there under, without the prior written consent of the other Party.
- 16.9 **Force Majeure.** No delay, failure, or default, other than a failure to pay fees when due, will constitute a breach of this Agreement to the extent caused by acts of war, terrorism, earthquakes, other acts of God or of nature, strikes or other labour disputes, riots or other acts of civil disorder, embargoes, or other causes beyond the performing Party's reasonable control.
- 16.10 **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts. Each counterpart will be an original, but all such counterparts will constitute a single instrument.
- 16.11 **Morality Clause.** VL, and all its employees, directors and management, is not involved in any situation or occurrence which subjects VL to public scandal, disrepute, widespread contempt, public ridicule, dishonesty, moral turpitude, or which is widely deemed by members of the general public, to embarrass, offend, insult or denigrate individuals or groups, or that will tend to shock, insult or offend the community or public morals or decency or prejudice the CITY in general, including without limitation involvement in obscene publications or hate groups. Failing any of the foregoing, the CITY may terminate the Agreement effective immediately and provide written notice post facto. VL would be responsible for any fees from the CITY's termination of the Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties have signed, by their duly authorized representatives:

**VENTURELAB REGIONAL  
INNOVATION CENTRE**

**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY  
OF VAUGHAN**

Per: 

Per: 

Name: Melissa Chee  
Title: President and CEO

Name: Todd Coles  
Title: City Clerk

Date: May 10, 2022

Date:

<b>CITY OF VAUGHAN</b>	
<b>APPROVED BY COUNCIL</b>	
DATE:	May 1, 2019
BY-LAW:	-----
ITEM:	CW Rpt. 14 (9)
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**SCHEDULE A**  
**CITY's OFFICIAL MARK**



The City of Vaughan logo depicts the clock tower of the municipality's eco-friendly City Hall. This distinctive architectural feature provides an iconic symbol of the City and its development as a sustainable community. The five white lines represent Vaughan's historic centres, symbolizing a continuity with the past since the City's incorporation in 1991. The choice of bright corporate colours recalls a rural heritage and highlights the preservation of green space as the City evolved into a major urban centre. The logo design has a modern flair with clean typography that reflects the City's growth as a vibrant and successful community. The new logo design was approved by Council on May 4, 2010.

The logo typeface is called Gotham. Modern and accessible in terms of legibility, Gotham is a family of geometric sans serif typefaces designed by American type designers Tobias Frere-Jones and Jesse Ragan in 2000.

The City of Vaughan logo should appear in its two-colour version whenever possible. The logo can only appear in blue pantone 294 and green pantone 376. No other brand colour is allowed.

Printing limitations will determine the need for grayscale and one-colour logo options. The reversed one-colour option should only appear on dark solid-coloured backgrounds.

Source: City of Vaughan Logo: Standards of Use. (2010). The Corporation of the City of Vaughan. Vaughan, ON.

**SCHEDULE B**

**VL MARK**



## SCHEDULE C

### PARTNERSHIP OBJECTIVES

#### 1. Rationale/Preamble:

VentureLAB (“VL”) is York Region’s Regional Innovation Centre (RIC). It works to scale technology companies in a variety of sectors, including Hardware, Advanced Manufacturing, Medtech, and other emerging technology sectors.

The City of Vaughan (“CITY”) is home to York Region’s largest economy. With more than 85% of its businesses employing fewer than 20 people, and roughly two-thirds of its firms employing fewer than 10 people, the CITY is a hub for Small Business and Entrepreneurship. Furthermore, the CITY of Vaughan’s talented workforce supplies a large manufacturing sector and is one of the reasons why Mackenzie Health opened the Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital – Canada’s First Smart Hospital – in 2020.

To enable the talent, entrepreneurship, and robust industry clusters in Vaughan, the CITY’s Economic Development Department and VL will coordinate their efforts to scale Vaughan companies into global enterprises.

#### 2. Partnership Objectives:

Through an annual report to Council, ventureLAB will report on the following objectives:

Objectives	1-year Key Performance Indicators	5-year Objectives
<i>Contribute to the Diversification and Competitiveness of Vaughan's Economy by building capacity for clusters in Health and Advanced Manufacturing</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● # Business engaged in Vaughan (by sector)</li> <li>● # Jobs created in Vaughan, by sector</li> <li>● Funding raised by Vaughan clients</li> <li>● Revenue generated by Vaughan clients</li> <li>● IP filed or granted by Vaughan clients</li> <li>● Establishing a Hardware Catalyst Lab in Vaughan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Increase the number of Vaughan businesses accessing vL help resulting in funds raised, jobs created, and IP generated</li> <li>● Accelerate the progress of Vaughan-based tech clients from “growth” to “scale” stage</li> <li>● Support Vaughan’s medtech, automotive, and advanced manufacturing cluster-building through strategic partnership and access to capital and funding programs</li> <li>● Increase Vaughan’s MNEs competitiveness through</li> </ul>

		<p>technological and innovation adoption by pairing with vL startup ecosystem</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Attract foreign tech SMEs and investment through start-up visa and soft launch programs that are aligned with Vaughan EcDev strategy</li> </ul>
<p><i>Establish a ventureLAB facility in Vaughan.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Continue to operate and promote Vaughan Beachhead facility</li> <li>● # companies accessing the Space by key sector</li> <li>● # of workshops and mentoring hours in the Space</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Expand from ventureLAB's existing satellite location in Vaughan into a cutting-edge hardware and medtech innovation space and lab to attract founders, industry leaders, and talent to Vaughan</li> </ul>
<p><i>Promote and profile Vaughan as a hub for entrepreneurship.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Promote and profile ventureLAB lab in Vaughan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dedicated website presence</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Thought leadership demonstrated through publication of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ # of Op-Ed/ News stories/ Blog posts/ Vaughan Success stories</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Promote Vaughan as the Canadian epicenter at the intersection of hardware and health through the publication of stories, thought leadership, media opportunities, highlighting company success stories, commercialization and entrepreneurship</li> </ul>

**3. Hardware Catalyst Initiative and Tech Undivided Collaborator:**

City of Vaughan will become an official Hardware Catalyst Initiative and Tech Undivided Collaboration Partner, and as such, will be formally recognized on the ventureLAB website, and will be mentioned, as appropriate, in press announcements and extended marketing activities.

## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE:** YORK UNIVERSITY UPDATE TO COUNCIL

**FROM:**

Nick Spensieri, City Manager

**ACTION:** DECISION

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### **Purpose**

To provide Council with York University's first annual update on the progress towards advancing a medical school and health-related research and education at the Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct (VHCP).

### **Report Highlights**

- The City of Vaughan's partnership agreement with York University relating to the allocation of lands in the VHCP for the future York University educational facility requires that York U deliver an annual report to Council regarding key milestones and progress towards the realization of the VHCP vision.
- This annual report from York University highlights recent research collaboration initiatives, the success of the first Community Health lecture series, and the progress toward establishing a School of Medicine in the VHCP.
- Staff will continue to work closely with York University to support the establishment of the medical school at the VHCP and advance the site as a world-class destination for excellence in health research, education, practice, and innovation.

### **Recommendations**

1. THAT Council receive an update from Rhonda Lenton, President of York University, regarding key milestones and achievements by York University in advanced health-related research and education, and plans for the future medical school at the Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct; and

2. THAT the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute agreements amending the Implementation Principles Agreement and the Option to Purchase Agreement between York University and the City of Vaughan to change the timelines associated with certain milestones in said agreements as detailed in this report, and in a form satisfactory to the Deputy City Manager, Legal and Administrative Services & City Solicitor.

## **Background**

***The vision for the Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct is a world-class, health innovation destination that will enhance the City's social and economic vitality.***

The VHCP will be a destination for excellence in health research, education, commercialization, and innovation. The expertise and physical co-location of Mackenzie Health, York University, and ventureLAB at the VHCP will provide an opportunity to leverage cross-disciplinary expertise and have the VHCP emerge as a leading medical innovation node.

The vision for the VHCP includes the establishment of a dedicated York University facility for research, education, innovation, and community engagement in health.

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***York University has globally recognized expertise and resources to bring to health innovation partnerships, including 11 faculties supporting interdisciplinary health research, 6 health-specific, interdisciplinary Organized Research Units, and dozens of research collaborations in more than 30 countries.***

York University offers high-quality health programs – many of which are ranked in the top 100 in the world — and are graduating leaders in nursing, kinesiology, health and biomedical sciences, psychology, neuroscience, health policy, health informatics and management, social work, critical disabilities, global health, health technologies and analytics, and disease modelling.



York University also has a large network of health researchers — including more than 250 faculty members actively conducting research in health-related areas — from neuro and vision science; to cardiovascular disease, diabetes, and inflammatory-related diseases; to mental illness and addiction; to disease modelling and anti-microbial resistance.

With 11 Faculties supporting interdisciplinary health research, more than 250 faculty members actively conducting research in health-related areas, and dozens of research collaborations in more than 30 countries, York University has significant expertise and capacity for research, education, and innovation and is a critical partner in achieving the objectives of the VHCP.

***In March 2024, Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance, introduced the 2024 Budget in the Ontario Legislature. The budget includes plans to fund and support the establishment of a York University School of Medicine (YUSoM) in Vaughan.***

York University has been working to establish a medical school for more than 15 years. In 2022, York University officially submitted a Major Capacity Expansion (MCE) proposal to the Ontario government for a new School of Medicine, to be established at the Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct (VHCP).

The recent provincial approval for the YUSoM is a critical milestone in the advancement of the VHCP as a world-class destination for health and health innovation. York University and the City of Vaughan continue to work together to advance this transformative investment and deepen partnerships in the VHCP.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

[Mayor Del Duca welcomes approval and provincial funding for York University's School of Medicine in Vaughan – News Release – March 26, 2024](#)

[York University welcomes transformative investment in next phase to create a new School of Medicine – Media Release – March 26, 2024](#)

[Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct Advisory Task Force Findings Report \(Transmittal\) – December 12, 2022](#)

[Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct – Enabling Next Steps – Committee of the Whole \(2\) Report – Tuesday, February 8, 2022](#)

[City of Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct Feasibility Study and Partnership – Committee of the Whole \(2\) Report – Wednesday, October 13, 2021](#)

[City of Vaughan Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital Advisory Taskforce – Committee of the Whole \(1\) Report – Tuesday, June 1, 2021](#)

[City of Vaughan news release, announcing the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding by the healthcare precinct partners, dated October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019](#)

[Partnership to Advance Economic Development Opportunities in the Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct – Committee of the Whole Report – Tuesday, June 4, 2019](#)

## **Analysis and Options**

***Persistent challenges in the current health system highlight the need for innovation and collaboration between key healthcare stakeholders. The co-location of Mackenzie Health, York University and ventureLAB in the VHCP will facilitate the collaborative development of the next generation of healthcare practices, policies, technologies, and talent.***

Co-location in the VHCP will facilitate collaboration between Mackenzie Health, York University and ventureLAB at the cutting-edge of health research, education, innovation, and commercialization. Collaboration between York University and Mackenzie Health, including training placements which leverage the hospital's integrated technologies, will help drive a focus on next generation medical and health education which leverages digital and patient-centred practices.

***The YUSoM will play a significant role in addressing current health system challenges by focusing on preparing a new generation of primary care physicians who represent and serve diverse communities across the school's catchment areas.***

York University is internationally recognized for its top-ranked, interdisciplinary health programs and health science research and innovation. The plans for the new School of Medicine build on that strong foundation addressing urgent unmet needs in central Ontario.

York University's vision is to create positive change by providing a diverse group of students with access to high-quality education at a research-intensive university that is committed to enhancing the well-being of the communities it serves. This transformative investment will generate significant economic and social benefits, and solidify the VHCP as a first-of-its-kind destination for excellence in health education, research, innovation, and practice.

***The development of the VHCP will bring significant Return on Investment in the form of one-time and recurring economic benefits of local, regional and national significance.***

Development of the VHCP will lead to direct and indirect expansion of the local economy by generating new economic opportunities, employment growth and government revenues.

#### One-Time Impacts

- More than \$755 million in value added to the Canadian economy, opportunities for some 6,300 full-time equivalent employment positions and upwards of \$276 million in government revenues; the vast majority of which would accrue directly within the City of Vaughan and surrounding GTA.

#### Recurring Impacts

- Support for a total permanent, on-site employment base of some 1,800 jobs, yielding more than \$350 million in operational output each year (excluding the hospital).

#### Other Benefits

- Opportunities to enhance the municipal profile of the City of Vaughan, attract major anchor institutions, foster a culture of entrepreneurship and innovation, as well as optimize recent and ongoing spending infrastructure, among other intangible benefits.

***Staff will continue to work closely with York University to support the establishment of the medical school at the VHCP and advance the site as a world-class destination for excellence in health research, education, practice, and innovation.***

York University and the City of Vaughan continue to collaborate closely on planning for the new medical school, as well as key capacity-building initiatives such as the Community Health Lecture series and the development of strategies for collaboration within the VHCP partnership. The upcoming mission to Chicago, led by Mayor Del Duca

and joined by President Rhonda Lenton, will focus on gaining insights from international exemplars of best practices in health innovation and collaboration and exploring opportunities to translate international models to the VHCP context.

***Request to amend certain milestone timelines in Agreements with York University.***

On February 6, 2023, the City of Vaughan and York University executed an Option to Purchase Agreement (OPA) and an Implementation Principles Agreement (IPA), to facilitate the establishment of a York University Medical School within the VHCP. Those agreements set out certain milestones that York University must achieve in order to ensure the timely establishment of a medical school in Vaughan. As detailed above and in the presentation from York University, significant work has been completed and milestones achieved by York University over the past year. York University has requested the time set in the agreements for certain milestones be modified as detailed in Attachment 2. Staff have reviewed the requested time extensions and recommend Council approve amendments to the OPA and IPA in accordance with Attachment 2, as requested by York University.

**Financial Impact**

None.

**Operational Impact**

None.

**Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

The Vaughan Healthcare Precinct will become an important regional asset and major employment node that will create economic opportunity and attract skilled labour from across York Region. The VHCP offers a unique value proposition that reflects the ongoing evolution of the City of Vaughan into a major urban centre, leverages the establishment of new transportation and institutional infrastructure in York Region, as well as capitalizes on recent trends and opportunities in the economy relating to healthcare innovation and delivery.

York University's activities in Vaughan, including the establishment of the medical school, will have far reaching social and economic impact across the region by creating new jobs and educational opportunities, attracting and retaining healthcare talent, enhancing the quality and accessibility of healthcare services, and supporting research, training and technological innovation.

## **Conclusion**

It is appropriate that Committee receive the update from Rhonda Lenton, President of York University, regarding key achievements by York University in 2023, and plans for establishing the new School of Medicine at the Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct.

**For more information**, please contact: Raphael Costa, Director, Economic Development, ext. 8891.

## **Attachments**

1. Presentation to Council - York University.
2. York University Requested Timeline Amendments.

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Nick Spensieri, City Manager



# York University School at the Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct

PRESENTATION TO THE CITY OF VAUGHAN  
COUNCIL

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Attachment 1





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**Building on our Strengths**



# Global Leader in Health-Related Research

**11** Faculties supporting interdisciplinary health research, including the Faculty of Health established by Senate and Board in 2005

**6** health-specific, interdisciplinary Organized Research Units

**42** research chairs in health

**250+** faculty members actively conducting research in health-related areas

**400+** health-related research grants funded by **90** domestic and international sources

**dozens** of research collaborations in more than **30** countries

**1st, 2nd, and 3rd** ranked researchers in Canada on COVID-19 mathematical modelling



# World-class research and innovation clusters

York University researchers have developed innovative approaches to solving some of the most pressing questions in health care, disease and injury prevention, and the digital delivery of health care.

## Health Research Strengths include:

- › Neuroscience
- › Mental Health
- › Global Health
- › Healthy Aging
- › Disease Modelling
- › Data Visualization
- › Advanced Robotics
- › Wellness & Technology
- › Clinical Psychology
- › Health Informatics
- › Nursing
- › Health Policy, Analytics and Management
- › Nutrition and Food security
- › Reducing Health Inequities
- › Muscle Health
- › Chronic disease prevention and management
- › Vision
- › Bullying
- › Autism
- › Anti-Microbial Resistance



# Academic Program Strengths in Health

## York University offers a range of bachelor and graduate degrees in health-related fields, including:

- One of Canada's largest Nursing and Nurse Practitioner programs
- Psychology (Keele, Glendon)
- Kinesiology and Health Science
- Health Policy
- Health Management
- Health Informatics
- Critical Disability Studies
- Global Health
- Neuroscience
- Social Work
- Health & Society
- Data Science (with Health stream)
- Biology
- Medical Anthropology
- Health Law
- Health Industry Administration





## **The Urgent Unmet Need in Primary Care**

## Urgent Unmet Need in Primary Care

- Medical education in Ontario, and Canada, does not produce sufficient numbers of comprehensive, practice-ready primary care physicians.
- Currently only 1/3 of graduates from Ontario's existing medical schools enter family practice and about 10% of Ontarians do not have a family doctor (expected to rise to 20% by 2025: *Ontario College of Family Physicians*).
- Examining demand versus supply in Ontario shows that there is a 43% shortfall in the supply of family doctors.
- The underperformance of Canada's health system compared to 10 other high-income countries stems from the lack of primary care physicians and the less than optimum integration of health services.





# Social Determinants of Health

Over the last two decades, researchers from York and around the world have contributed to a large and compelling body of evidence showing that the social determinants of health, or the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work and age, account for as much as 30-50% of health outcomes.





# A Distinctive School of Medicine

# Our Vision

Not limited by conventional thinking, York's **School of Medicine** will **prepare the next generation of talented frontline primary care doctors** — who represent the diversity of the communities in which they live — to not only thrive in a new, integrative, team-based health care environment but to continue to adapt to evolving patient needs.

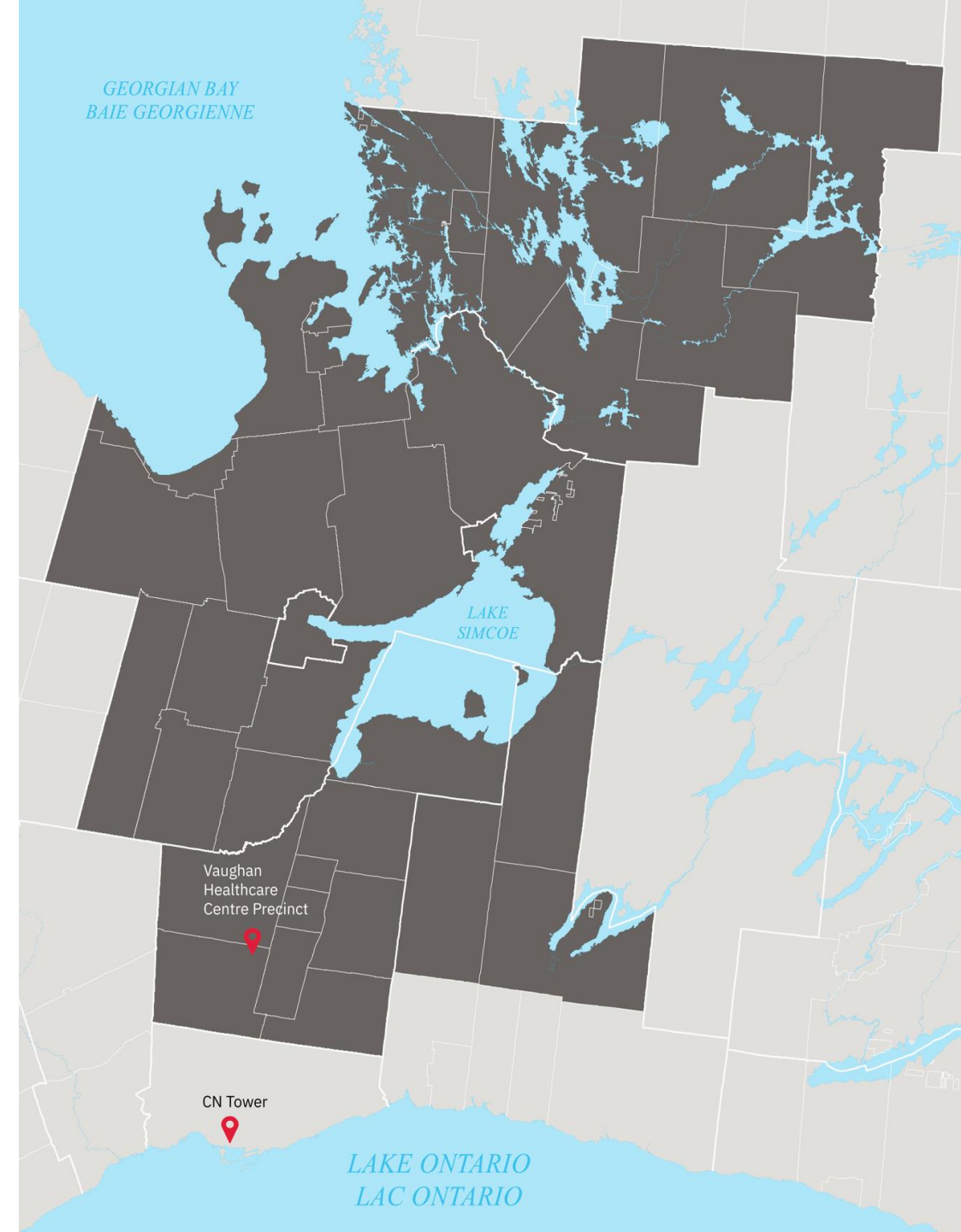




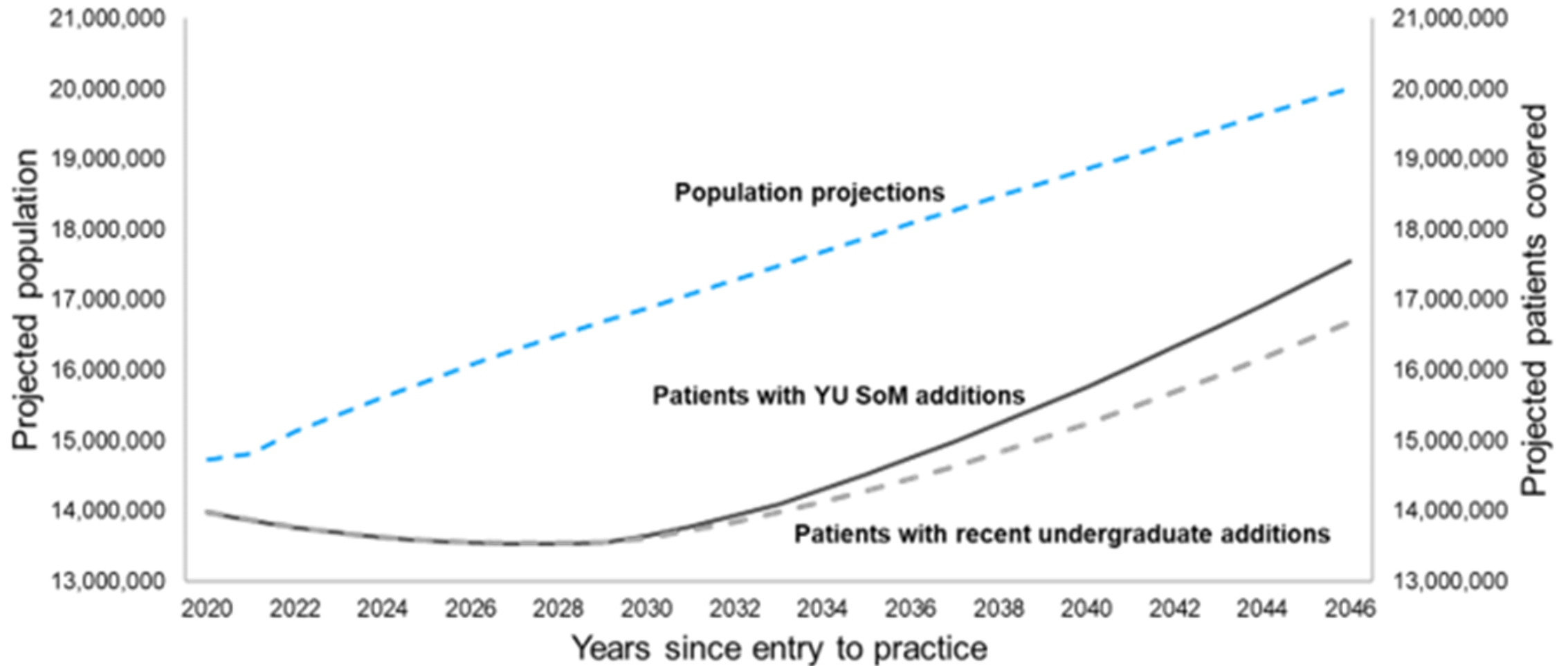
# School of Medicine Quick Facts

Our current model and planning framework accounts for:

- Opening July 2028
- 80 undergraduate learners/year - 240 at steady state
- 102 postgraduate learners/year - 293 at steady state
- Three-year program MD program
- Focused on community-based learning including undergraduate longitudinal integrated clerkships
- Prioritizing primary care specialties -- family medicine, psychiatry, pediatrics, general internal medicine, ob/gyn, etc.
- Clinical training in communities within the service areas of northern Toronto, York Region, Simcoe County, Muskoka, as well as adjacent rural areas.



# Meeting Ontario's need for family physicians

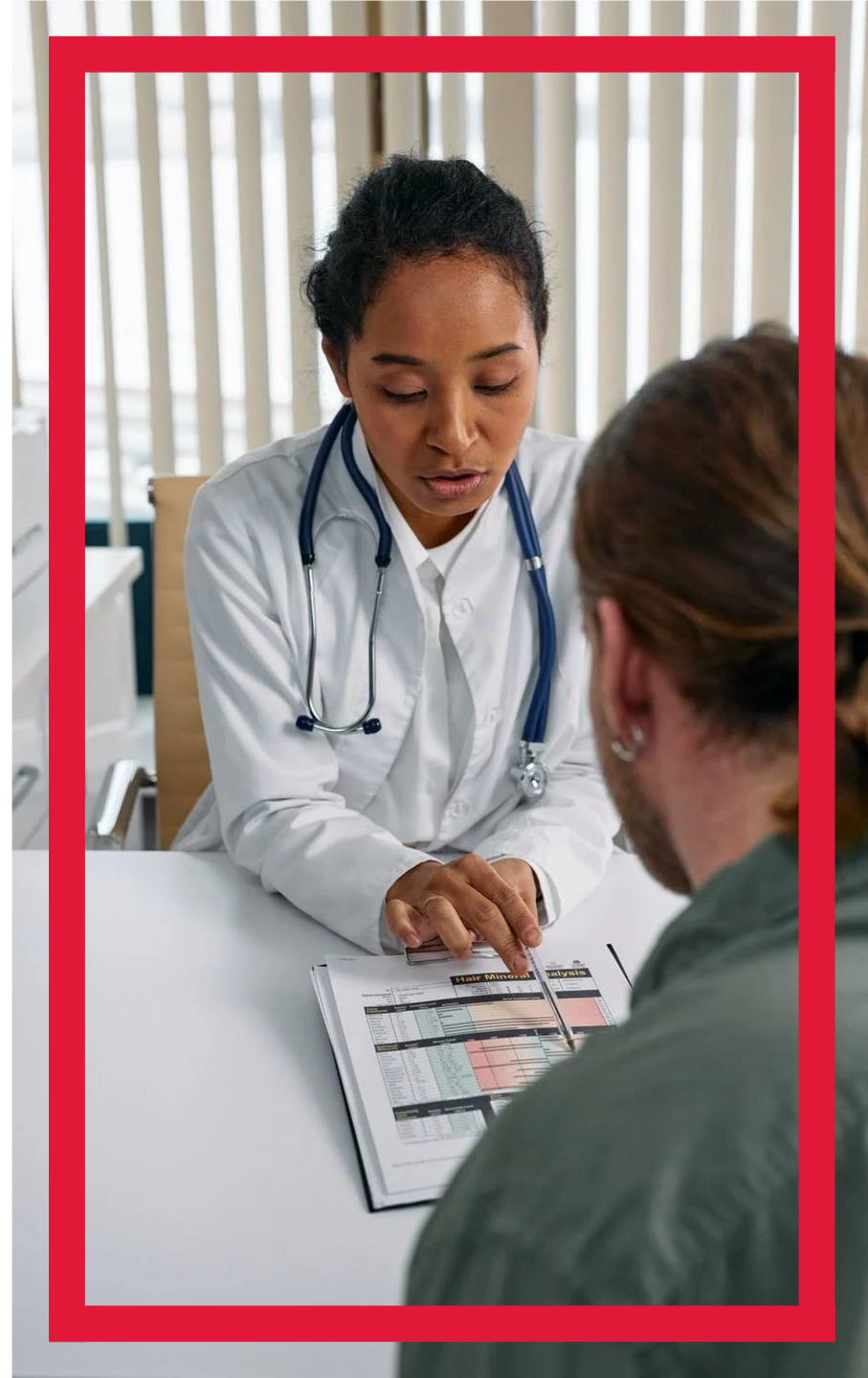


**The addition of YUSoM will increase supply to meet 88% of the need for primary care physicians in Ontario.**

# There is a Need for a New Type of School of Medicine

Key features will:

- address the current and anticipated **shortfall** in the number of **primary care** physicians and general specialists (psychiatry, geriatrics, pediatrics, obstetrics, gynecology, and general internal medicine) trained in Ontario
- redesign medical education using a **population health focus on preventive health care** to address growing chronic diseases
- integrate **digital health solutions** to supplement compassionate care
- focus on a team-based, comprehensive patient-centred approach to health care
- will integrate **community-based health care** in collaboration with health care professionals building on relevant Ontario Health Teams
- will achieve **better access, improved quality, greater efficiency** and **greater equity** for society's most vulnerable



# Undergraduate Medical Program Curriculum

- **An optional two-year pre-health professional pathway** will provide a pipeline to enhance access into York University School of Medicine, as well as to other allied health programs.
- An accelerated **three-year** primary care and population health focused curriculum.
- An integrated, value-based and team-based health care approach supported by **distributed clinical learning** sites across our Community-Based Learning Network **including Ontario Health Teams.**
- **Interdisciplinary and inter-professional learning.**





# Decolonization, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

York University recognizes the historical, contemporary and systemic forces that create inequity and discrimination—and is committed to the work of dismantling systems of oppression that pervade society, academia and health systems.

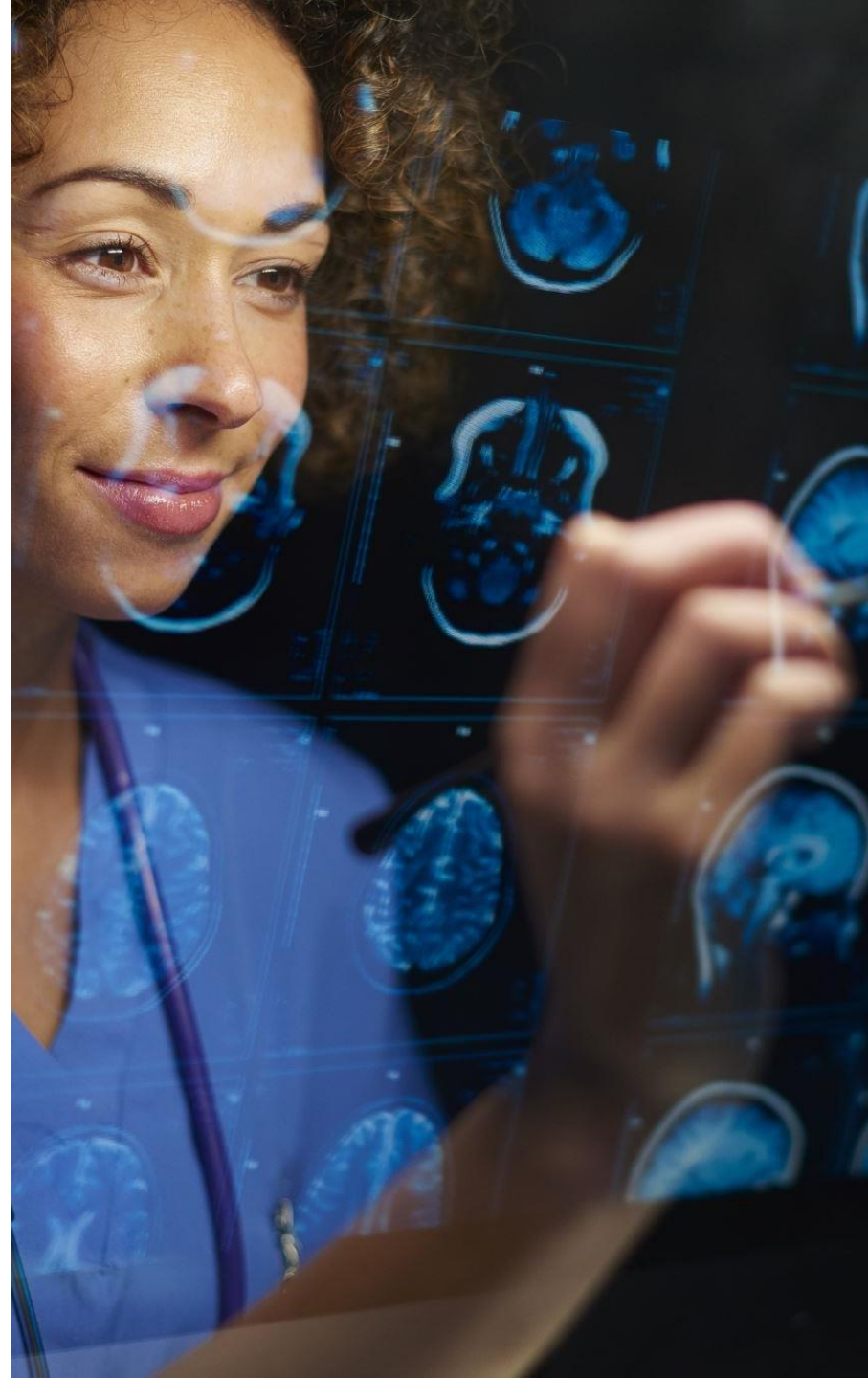
## **A York University School of Medicine will explore:**

1. Creating a pre-health pathway program
2. Giving additional weight in the admissions process to students with current or past connections to the catchment area.
3. Modeling a non-International Medical Graduate (IMG): IMG student ratio of 5:1

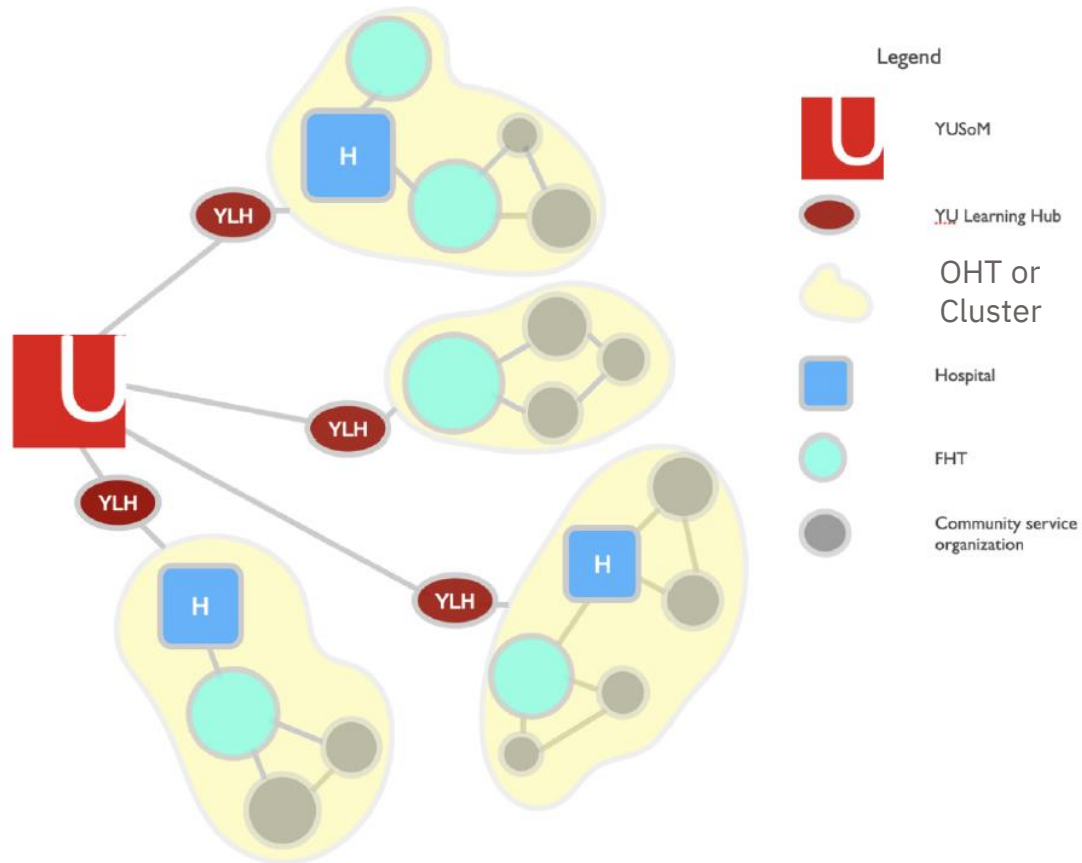
# Innovative Program Design & Delivery

We will:

- leverage Mackenzie Health's industry-leading IT infrastructure to develop novel platforms for **data capture and deep learning** that will support sharing of data analytics across hospitals.
- focus on **distributed learning** so that we can leverage existing space and reduce new space requirements, which will lower capital costs.
- **share resources and human capital** to facilitate robust experiential learning and clinical placements.



# Integrated Community-based Learning Network



Uses a decentralized community-based medical education model that treats **the community as our campus**.

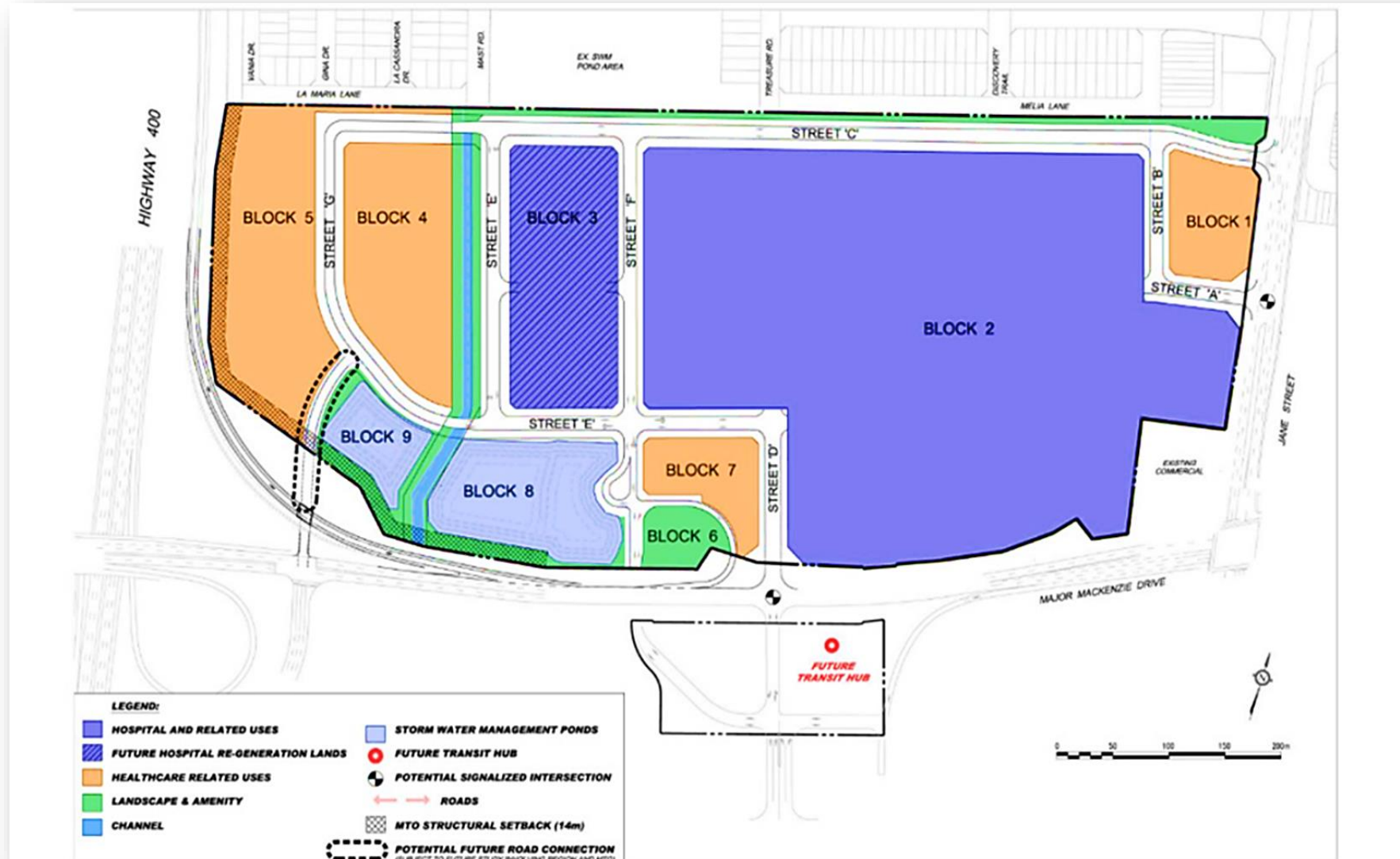
Utilizes **community-based clusters** of providers that cover services for a population within a geographically defined area:

- **Hospitals**
- **Ontario Health Teams (OHTs)**
- **Indigenous Primary Health Care Organizations**
- **Primary care providers**

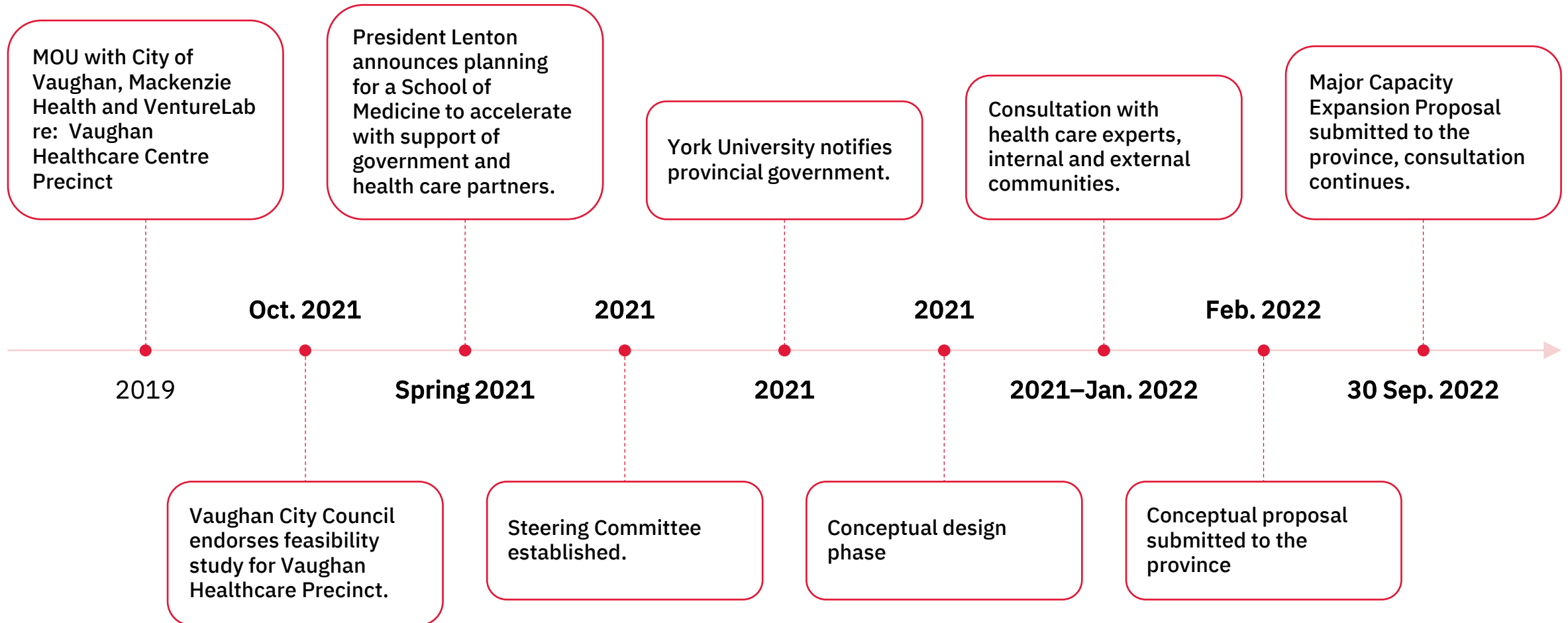
**Links to health care services sites** - long term care centres, community health centres, crisis centres, rehabilitation centres, social services, home care, mental health and addiction services, health promotion and disease prevention services, palliative care and other community and social services.

Supported by **digital platforms, tools and health informatics** that optimize clinical, social and other relevant services for integrated patient care and support.

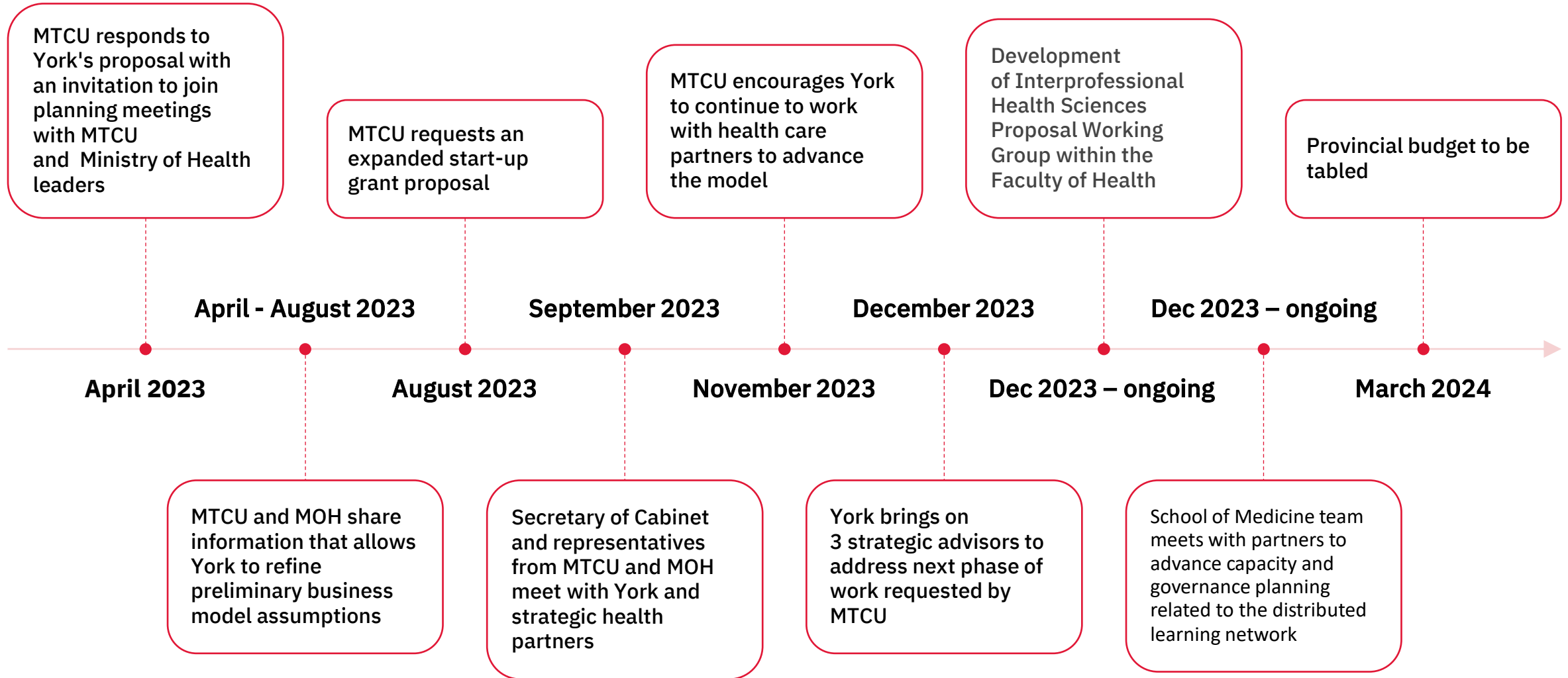
# Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct: Site Plan



# School of Medicine 2019-2022 Timeline



# School of Medicine 2023-2024 Timeline





## School of Medicine External Advisors

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TERM CARE





# Implementation Principals Agreement with Vaughan – Progress Update

## First 12 Months - Key IPA milestones

- ✓ Enter into the University-Mackenzie Health Agreement
- ✓ Complete an initial assessment of ground conditions required to support the development of Block 5
- ✓ Complete an assessment of municipal and private services required to support the development of Block 5
- ✓ Initiated inquiries with Vaughan and the Region of York re: land use and zoning required to support development of Block 5
- ✓ Launched a Community Health Lecture Series on November 6, 2023
- ✓ Work is well underway for an annual conference on Health and Innovation in Fall 2024
- ✓ Annually report to Vaughan Council - April 16, 2024

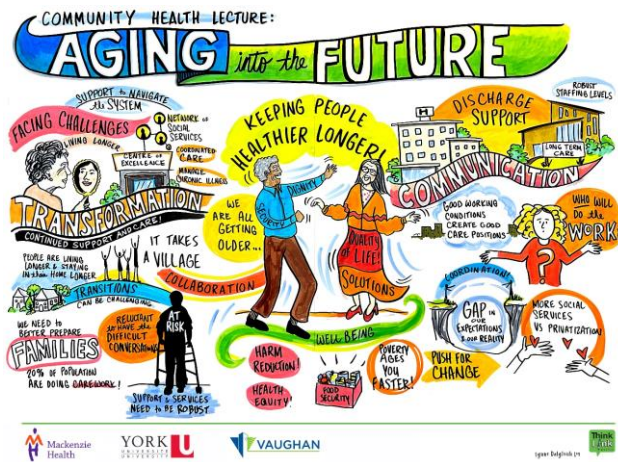
# VHCP – Block 5 Site Work

## Accomplishments to date

- ✓ York University commissioned a due diligence report in alignment within the framework of sections 10-13 of the Letter of Intent between the City of Vaughan and York University
- ✓ GHD was awarded the contract and site data was collected over the summer 2023
- ✓ GHD Report completed September 22, 2023
- ✓ Monitoring of test wells for water table level to capture a full year of data
- ✓ Cost estimate for the Site Services and constructing a common roadway between Block 4 and Block 5 completed.



# Community Health Lecture Series



This collaborative event, held on November 6, 2023, titled “Aging into the Future,” explored the fundamental themes of health equity, empowerment, and the significance of relationships between healthcare providers, communities, and families.



## ➤ Panellists at the event included:

- York University Professor **Tamara Daly**, director of the York University Centre of Aging Research & Education (YU-CARE), and the director of the Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council Partnership Grant Imagine Aging;
- York University Associate Professor **Mary Fox**, a world-renowned expert in gerontological nursing and a health services researcher; and
- **Dr. Dmitriy Petrov**, a practising geriatrician at Mackenzie Health with expertise in neurodegeneration and frailty.



# Annual Research Conference on Health and Innovation

- Planning has begun on a late fall 2024 Health and Innovation Conference in partnership with Mackenzie Health to showcase research and forge collaborations
- With health technology a focus, a potential inclusion of York's \$318.4M CFREF program: Connected Minds Neural and Machine Systems for a Healthy Just Society is being considered
- Conference will bring together clinical leaders with researchers and graduate trainees, together with healthcare professionals, thought leaders and health experts



Annual Conference to compliment ongoing Community Health Lecture Series



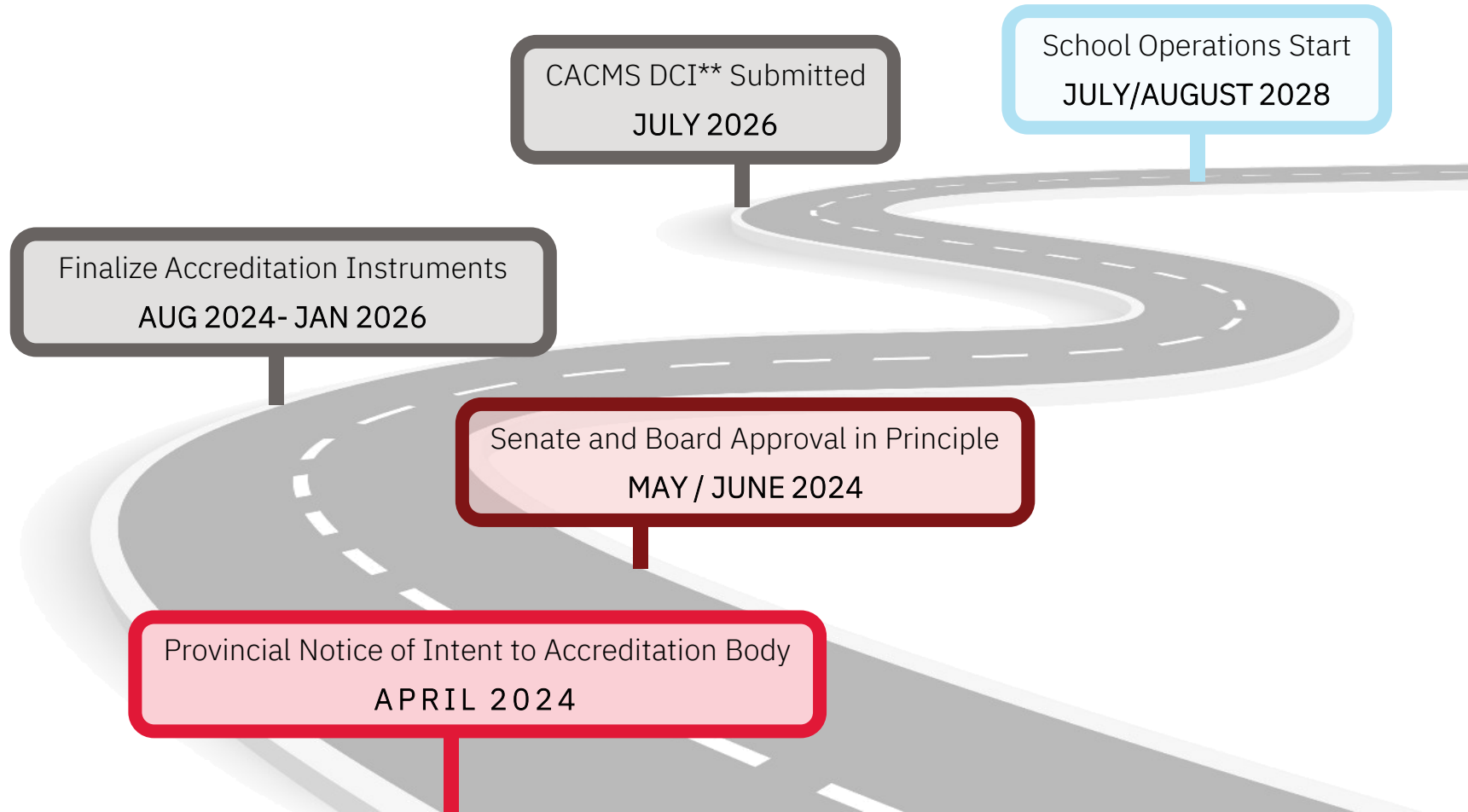
# Update on Research Collaboration

- York has been actively working with many of our researchers across the full health spectrum to identify and shape potential research collaborations and areas of research interest and focus.
- York and Mackenzie Health teams have been meeting regularly to advance discussions around some important research collaborations. Some recent examples include:
  1. Project to **optimize operating room schedules** to address the post-pandemic backlog of cancelled surgeries by improving the booking data collection and workflows in the electronic medical record
  2. Project for **remote rehabilitation for stroke survivors and others** with the York Centre for Vision Research and VISTA researchers .
  3. Project on designing technologies for **early-stage dementia patients**.
  4. Project to recruit new parents and babies to assist with his research **cognitive effects around birth experience**.
- Proposal for a joint panel at the upcoming MedTech Expo in October 2024 with Mackenzie Health, ventureLAB, Vaughan and YorkU submitted. Panel will explore developing advantageous partnerships with healthcare stakeholders, including hospitals, universities and innovation hubs.



# Post-Green Light Project Milestones

The below figure illustrates a potential project timeline of the York University School of Medicine.



\*\*CACMS DCI = Committee on Accreditation of Canadian Medical Schools Data Collection Instrument





# Community Consultation and Engagement

# Process





## External Consultation

- External outreach began in Fall 2021
- We have since hosted two virtual Community Townhalls, the first one took place in March 2022, and the second one in September 2022
- To date, we have met with close to 70 different organizations and community stakeholders both within and outside of the catchment area
- We have received 53 signed Letters of Support on behalf of their organizations
- Our online letter of support has garnered 101 signatures from the public however this has not been actively promoted by the university



# Widespread Community Support

**Leadership from all  
hospitals in the  
Catchment Area**

**Ontario Health Teams  
throughout the  
catchment**

**Community Health  
Centres & Family  
Health Teams**

**Community Health  
Advocacy  
Organizations**

**Ontario Medical  
Association**

**First Nations Chiefs  
and other Indigenous  
leaders**

**Catchment Mayors,  
Regional Health  
Service leads**

**Chief Medical Officers  
of Health for Toronto,  
York Region, Simcoe  
Muskoka**

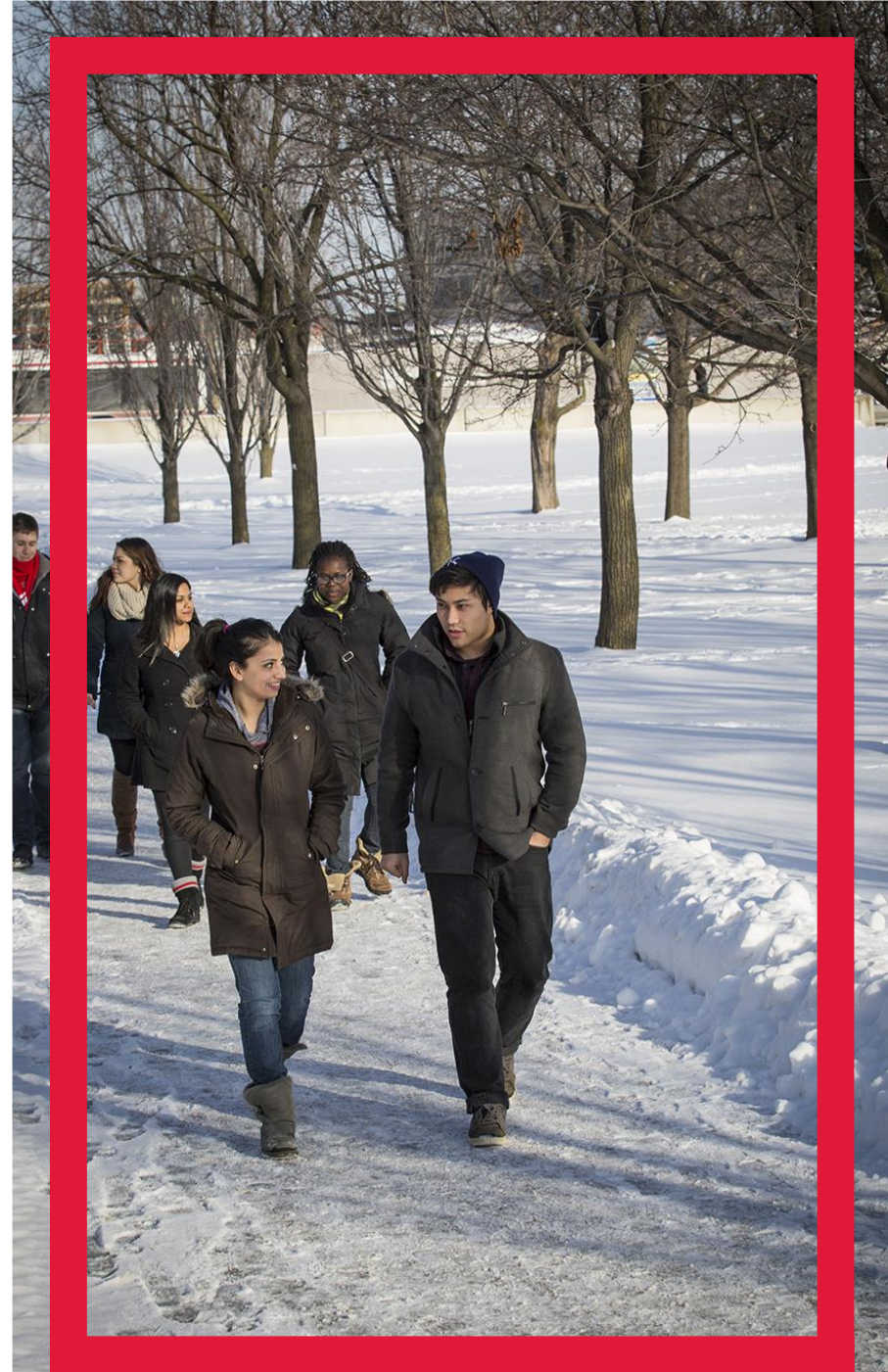
**Chambers of  
Commerce**

**External supporters/  
potential donors/  
alumni**



## Internal York Consultation

- 5 Faculty Councils and 292 council members (plus LA&PS Council on January 12, 2023)
- 9 departments/schools and 126 individuals
- All Faculty of Health units have been consulted individually
- Consultation notes are posted publicly at: [Resources - School of Medicine \(yorku.ca\)](https://resources.scholarship.yorku.ca/scholarship-yorku/consultation-yorku)





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**ALIGNMENT WITH  
GOVERNMENT  
PRIORITIES**

# ALIGNMENT WITH MUNICIPAL, PROVINCIAL AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PRIORITIES

## CATCHMENT AREA MUNICIPALITIES

- **Attracting health human resources, especially primary care providers**
- **Addressing population health and the social determinants of health**
- **Improving integrated team-based care across within and across regions**

## PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

- **Enhancing access to primary care providers**
- **Reducing unnecessary emergency room visits**
- **Bringing down wait times**
- **Deliver better coordinated care in the community and closer to home by improving:**
- **Access and options for palliative care**
- **Mental health and addictions services**

## GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- **Making Sure Every Canadian Has Access to a Family Doctor or Primary Health Team**
- **Increasing Rural and Underserved**
- **Eliminating the Backlog of Surgeries and Procedures**
- **Expanding Virtual Health Care Services**





## Business Plan

Key components of the business case include:

- The York University School of Medicine would start with a class of **80 undergraduate learners** (240 at steady state) and **102 postgraduate learners** (293 at steady state).
- York University has a plan to recruit students who are resident in or **connected to our catchment area**, and who demonstrate interest in primary care and serving these communities.
- We would be able to **accept the first class of students in 2028**, if we received approval for York's School of Medicine by July 2024.
- York would receive a **grant to support planning and start-up phase** for the medical school beginning in 2024.

# Measuring our Impact

The York University School of Medicine will:

- Address the urgent need for primary care physicians and hospitalists in Ontario - especially in our underserved catchment area
- Keep more people healthier longer, living in their communities through a preventive approach which will drive down escalating healthcare costs
- Enhance an efficient healthcare system through a focus on prevention and alignment with the Ontario Health Teams and other existing health care resources
- Contribute significantly to the socioeconomic well-being of the Province of Ontario.





# The Business Case

1. The Federal and Provincial governments are investing in medical education
2. We have a strong preliminary business model and will continue to make adjustments as needed
3. The Province would support the operational costs of the medical school
4. A two-year bridging pathway for health fields
5. City of Vaughan has already committed the land
6. An estimate for the capital costs has been carried out and we will continue to make adjustments as needed
7. We have a plan for securing the capital costs from diverse sources including philanthropic donations
8. The medical school will bring about a number of benefits to York's brand and reputation
9. Future advancement opportunities
10. The School of Medicine aligns with York's University Academic Plan contributing to the realization of the vision and strategic priorities and enhancing our reputation in the sector.





# Increasing Externally Sponsored Research\*

University of Toronto: \$1,461,571.00

University of Ottawa: \$432,676.00

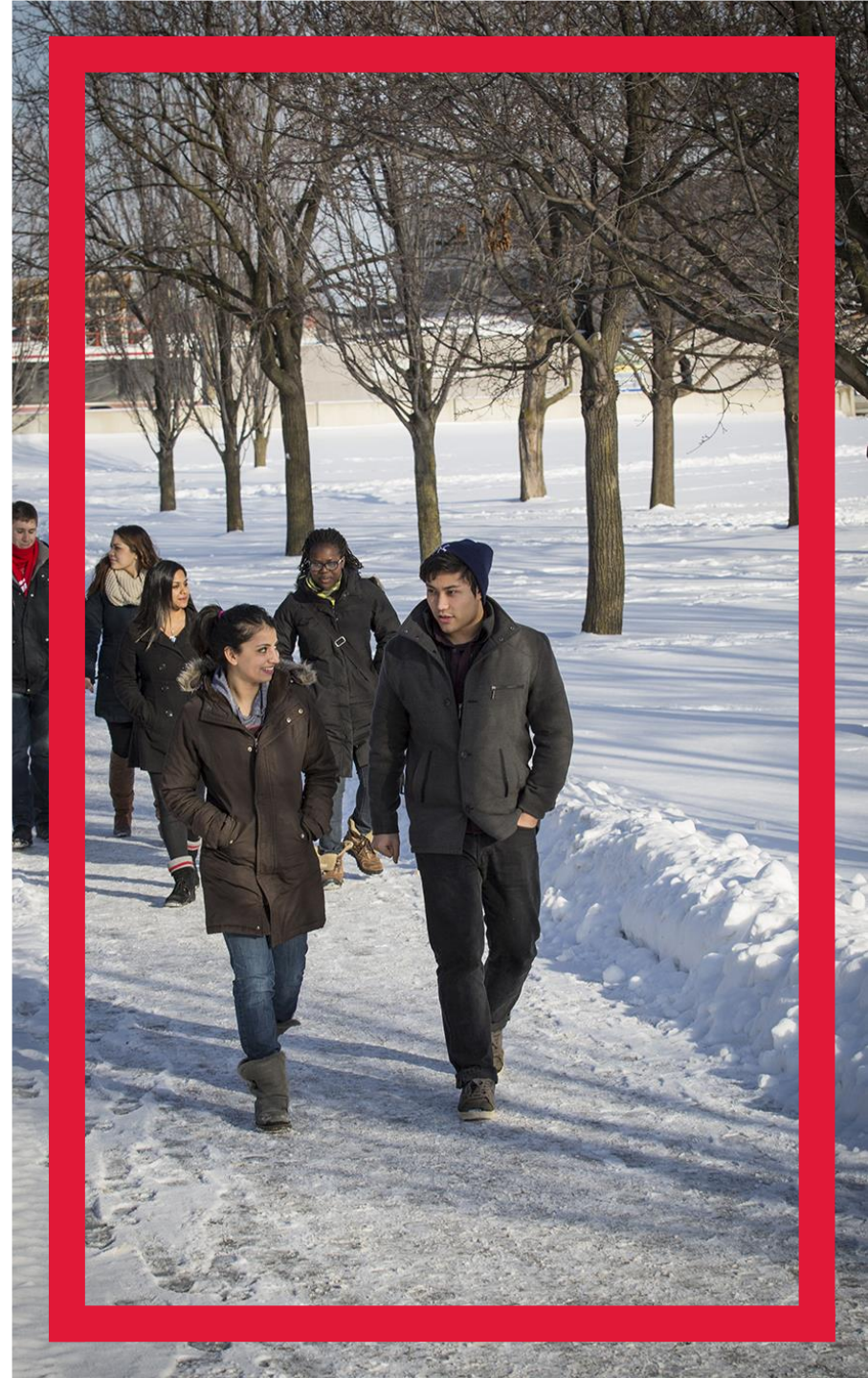
Western: \$264,426.00

McMaster: \$374,609.00

Queen's: \$227,337.00

York: \$105,541.00

\*FY2021 externally sponsored research income for five universities (most of which are smaller than York) with a medical school in Ontario.





# APPENDICES

## York University Mission & Vision Alignment

- **Our Mission:** the pursuit, preservation, and dissemination of knowledge. We promise excellence in research and teaching in pure, applied and professional fields. We test the boundaries and structures of knowledge. We cultivate the critical intellect.
- **Vision:** to provide a broad demographic of students with access to a high quality education at a research-intensive University that is committed to enhancing the well-being of the communities we serve.



# Historical Planning Context

## References to a School of Medicine in University Academic Plans (as approved by Senate)

- **2010-2015:** *“An ongoing commitment to the diversification of academic activities in line with creating a more comprehensive university, including teaching and research in the areas of health, engineering, applied science, **medicine**, business and professional programs, while sustaining, affirming, and building upon the foundation provided by our distinctive strengths in the liberal arts, the fine arts, and the sciences as well as interdisciplinary programs and opportunities for students to combine disciplinary fields. (6)... The groundwork has been laid for the eventual creation of a distinctive **medical school** at York (11).”*
- **2015-2020:** *“...With multiple campuses we will become more comprehensive in scope and have greater chances to fulfill our mission and vision. York has signaled its interest in housing a **medical school** and has set the stage for this eventuality (10)...We will continue to lay the groundwork for a **medical school**. (21)”*
- **2020-2025:** *“We will develop an integrated health precinct with partners in Vaughan...We are well placed over time to establish a **medical school** aligned with this vision, to serve one of Canada's fastest growing and most diverse regions through a community-based care model that integrates physicians into broader health and wellbeing promotion teams.”*

# Historical Planning Context

## Strategic Mandate Agreements (setting terms of funding from the Province)

**2014-2017:** *“Institution-Specific Aspirations: Creation of a York University campus in York Region in partnership with Seneca College; **A School of Medicine.**”*

**2017-2020:** *“We will fully realize plans for our new Lassonde School of Engineering and continue to lay the groundwork for York’s long-term ambition to **establish a new medical school**”*

**2020-2025:** *“We are partnering with the City of Vaughan and Mackenzie Health to expand our leadership in community-based and interprofessional health care programs focused on preventive health and designed to keep the people of Ontario healthier, longer. York’s long-term vision includes a **community-focused medical school** addressing Ontario’s unmet health care needs by focusing on integrated care, family medicine and health and well-being throughout the life course for one of Canada’s most diverse regions.”*

## York University Requested Timeline Amendments

No.	Description of Condition	Current Due Date	Proposed Change
1	Delivery of executed Acknowledgement Agreement with Mackenzie Health.	Not currently clearly defined.	Change to within 15 months of the Option to Purchase date (i.e. by May 6, 2024)
2	York must report annually to City Council to provide status on progress of the items listed below and plans for the upcoming year.	Annually on the first Council Meeting after February 6 <sup>th</sup> .	Add “or such later Council meeting as may be reasonable in the circumstances”
3	York must complete assessment of supporting municipal and private services within 12 months or such longer period as may be necessary	Feb 6, 2024, or longer	No change in date. Change to “initial assessment” to mirror language in similar provisions re environmental investigations.
4	Parties must make public statement that Block 5 is the ideal location for a University facility focused on healthcare training and research within 12 months	Feb 6, 2024	Change to July 31, 2024
5	York Administration to report to York Board of Governors.	Feb 6, 2024	Delete this requirement, as it is an internal York process.
6	By 2024, York and Vaughan will host an annual conference on Health and Innovation with international keynote speakers	End 2024	Change to “in 2025”





## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE: ENFORCEMENT UPDATES FOR UNLAWFUL USES OF  
AGRICULTURAL LANDS**

**FROM:**

Wendy Law, Deputy City Manager, Legal and Administrative Services & City Solicitor  
Gus Michaels, Deputy City Manager, Community Services

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

To provide an update on enforcement matters related to certain Illegal Land Uses, and for Council to consider directing that a letter be sent to the Province requesting enhanced municipal enforcement powers.

**Report Highlights**

- In June 2023, Council authorized staff to proceed with statutory injunctions against property owners to address illegal land use within the City of Vaughan.
- Since that time, staff have worked collaboratively with internal and external stakeholders. Key outcomes include 2 prohibition orders issued by the courts, over \$20,000 in fines being issued against illegal operators, 11 cease and desist letters being sent, and 3 sites agreeing to decommission operations.
- Materials are drafted to proceed with additional statutory injunctions, and further cease and desist letters will be sent. BCLPS staff will continue to inspect properties and lay charges for non-compliance.
- Advocacy with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to secure additional enforcement powers is needed to provide more effective enforcement.

**Recommendation**

1. THAT a letter be sent to the Province requesting enhanced municipal enforcement powers, as described in this report.

## **Background**

At the Committee of the Whole meeting on June 6, 2023, Council directed staff to proceed with statutory injunctions against two properties in Vaughan which are being used for outside storage of shipping containers, trailer trucks and other heavy equipment in contravention of the City's zoning and other by-laws.

Since June, Legal Services and By-law, Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services (BCLPS) have been working closely with external counsel and the prosecutors at York Region in an attempt to bring properties into compliance. A more detailed report of key outcomes is included below.

In addition to these enforcement efforts, staff have put together a [webpage relating to commercial trucking in Vaughan](#) to provide additional information to commercial trucking operations as well as citizens. Staff have also been reviewing and updating by-laws, including the Site Alteration By-law, to enhance and expand enforcement tools to address illegal use of agricultural land within the City of Vaughan.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

[Item 24, Report No. 32, of the Committee of the Whole](#), which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 28, 2022.

[Item 3, Report No. 43, of the Committee of the Whole](#), which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on December 13, 2022.

[Item 4, Report No. 29, of the Committee of the Whole \(Closed Session\)](#), as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on June 20, 2023.

## **Analysis and Options**

### **Enforcement Key Outcomes**

Since the June 6, 2023, Committee meeting, the following key outcomes have been achieved:

- Prohibition Order and \$15,000 fine issued against a company operating illegally on Nashville Road. Similar to an injunction, a Prohibition Order is an Order issued by the Provincial Offences Court prohibiting the company from continuing to violate the City of Vaughan's Zoning By-law.
- Prohibition Order and \$7,000 fine issued against a company operating illegally on Highway 50.

- \$1,000 fine issued against a company operating illegally on King-Vaughan Road. The owners agreed to decommission the site, and an inspection conducted on January 18, 2024, indicated that the site is no longer being put to an illegal use.
- The owners of a property on Huntington Road have agreed to decommission the site. An inspection conducted on January 18, 2024, by BCLPS staff found that there is compliance and trucks are no longer being stored on the property.
- The owners of a property along Highway 50 have re-configured the storage so the shipping containers are no longer stacked on top of each other. An inspection conducted on February 26, 2024, found that the containers are less visible from Highway 50.
- The owners of a property on Nashville Road have agreed to remove the tractor trailers and heavy equipment from the property.

Staff have materials prepared to proceed with statutory injunctions on two key properties and expect to file materials in the coming weeks. BCLPS staff continue to work diligently to inspect properties, gather evidence, and lay charges against offending landowners.

Staff continue to liaise with external stakeholders to discuss the best and most effective methods of obtaining compliance in dealing with the illegal use of agricultural land in Vaughan. A confidential communication will be brought forward to Committee of the Whole relating to tools that can be leveraged to address land use impacts of truck yards/shipping storage containers within Vaughan.

#### *Correspondence Requesting Further Enforcement Powers from the Province*

Municipalities across the province are dealing with similar enforcement issues against illegal truck yard operators. Staff will continue to work with our municipal partners on a comprehensive enforcement strategy.

Other municipalities including Caledon, Cobourg, and Puslinch, have passed resolutions regarding illegal land use enforcement, with the aim of asking the provincial government to strengthen municipal enforcement powers, including:

- Amending the *Municipal Act* to enable municipalities to physically bar entry to properties where illegal land uses that have significant detrimental impacts on adjacent residential properties, the environment or create unsafe situations;
- Increasing the maximum penalty amounts in the *Planning Act* to \$50,000 for an individual upon conviction and on a subsequent conviction, and not more than \$25,000 for each day in which the contravention has continued after the day in which the person was initially convicted; and
- Provisions in legislation to ensure a corporation is liable to fines of not more than \$100,000 upon first conviction and not more than \$50,000 for each day in which the contravention has continued after the day in which the corporation was initially convicted.

Staff recommend that a letter be sent to the province requesting similar legislative changes as noted above.

### **Financial Impact**

The legal fees from the City's external counsel will be absorbed through the 2024 operating budget.

### **Operational Impact**

Legal Services and BCLPS continue to work very closely to implement the City's enforcement strategy. Staff continue to explore ways to better facilitate collaboration and information sharing between departments, including Planning and Growth Management, to better improve enforcement and planning outcomes.

### **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

Legal Services and BCLPS continue to collaborate with other municipalities in Ontario to share strategies on addressing illegal use of agricultural lands. Staff continue to work with York Regional Prosecutors, as well as external agencies such as the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, and the Technical Standards and Safety Authority to ensure properties are in compliance with all applicable laws.

### **Conclusion**

Staff continue to work closely with our internal and external partners on the comprehensive enforcement strategy related to illegal use of agricultural lands in the City of Vaughan. Since the June 2023 Committee meeting, two prohibition orders have been obtained, over \$20,000 in fines have been laid, 11 cease and desist letters have been sent, and 3 properties have agreed to decommission/scale down operations. Staff have materials prepared to proceed with statutory injunctions, and further cease and desist letters will be sent from the City's external counsel. BCLPS staff will continue to investigate properties and lay charges, as needed. Additionally, staff have identified an opportunity to advocate to the province for expanded enforcement powers and are recommending that a letter be sent to the province requesting legislative changes.

**For more information**, please contact: Rebecca Hall-McGuire, Legal Counsel – Municipal & Environmental (x. 8475).

### **Attachments**

Confidential Attachment 1

**Prepared by**

Rebecca Hall-McGuire, Legal Counsel (x. 8475).  
Kristen Stevenson, Legal Counsel (x. 8914).

**Approved by**



Effie Lidakis, Acting DCM on behalf of  
Wendy Law, Deputy City Manager,  
Legal and Administrative Services &  
City Solicitor

**Reviewed by**



Nick Spensieri, City Manager

**Approved by**



Gus Michaels, Deputy City Manager,  
Community Services





## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE:** PROCLAMATION REQUESTS: BUILDING SAFETY MONTH, INTERNATIONAL FIREFIGHTERS' DAY, MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AWARENESS DAY AND ISRAEL'S 76TH INDEPENDENCE DAY

**FROM:**

Wendy Law, Deputy City Manager, Legal and Administrative Services & City Solicitor

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

To seek approval for the above-noted proclamation requests.

**Report Highlights**

- Respond to the proclamation requests received for the month of May.

**Recommendations**

1. THAT the following be proclaimed:
  - a) The month of May as "Building Safety Month";
  - b) The day of May 4 as "International Firefighters' Day" on an annual basis going forward;
  - c) The day of May 8 as "Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Day";
  - d) The day of May 14 as "Israel's 76<sup>th</sup> Independence Day"; and
2. THAT the proclamations be posted on the City's website and that the Communications, Marketing and Engagement department be directed to promote the above noted proclamations through the various corporate channels.

## **Background**

### **Building Safety Month**

The request for proclamation was received from the Building Standards Department on March 15, 2024.

The Ontario Building Officials Association celebrates Building Safety Month every May to bring awareness to the Ontario Building Code and to promote the importance of obtaining building permits, as well as highlight the contributions of Municipal Building Officials.

Council has previously granted this request.

### **International Firefighters' Day**

The request for an annually occurring proclamation was received from Vaughan Fire & Rescue Services (VFRS).

International Firefighters' Day is observed on May 4 to honour firefighters for their service as well as remember firefighters who lost their lives during service.

### **Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Day**

The request for proclamation was received from York Region MY MS FAMILY COMMUNITY on November 13, 2023.

As per information provided by the organization, MY MS FAMILY COMMUNITY services hundreds of members with financial and equipment subsidies each month. By raising awareness of Multiple Sclerosis, the organization is hoping to increase funding to members.

In addition to the proclamation request, a flag raising request was submitted to commemorate this date which will be reviewed by the City Clerk as per the City's Flag Raising Policy.

Council has previously granted this request.

### **Israel's 76<sup>th</sup> Independence Day**

The request for proclamation was received from The Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs on March 14, 2024.

In addition to the proclamation request, a flag raising request was submitted to commemorate this date which will be reviewed by the City Clerk as per the City's Flag Raising Policy.

Council has previously granted this request.

### **Previous Reports/Authority**

#### **Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Day**

[Committee of the Whole \(2\) - April 18, 2023](#)

#### **Israel's 76<sup>th</sup> Independence Day**

[Committee of the Whole \(2\) - March 8, 2022](#)

### **Analysis and Options**

#### **Building Safety Month**

The proclamation meets the requirements of the City's Proclamation Policy 03.C.10, as follows:

- 2.1. For the purposes of Section 2, a proclamation may be issued for:
  - 2.1.4. Public awareness campaigns.

#### **International Firefighters' Day**

The proclamation meets the requirements of the City's Proclamation Policy 03.C.10, as follows:

- 2.1. For the purposes of Section 2, a proclamation may be issued for:
  - 2.1.4. Public awareness campaigns.

#### **Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Day**

The proclamation meets the requirements of the City's Proclamation Policy 03.C.10, as follows:

- 2.1. For the purposes of Section 2, a proclamation may be issued for:
  - 2.1.4. Public awareness campaigns.

#### **Israel's 76<sup>th</sup> Independence Day**

The proclamation request meets the requirements of the City's Proclamation Policy 03.C.10, as follows:

- 2.1. For the purposes of section 2, a proclamation may be issued for:
  - 2.1.1. Arts, culture or heritage commemorations in the City of Vaughan

## **Financial Impact**

There is no financial impact expected in regard to these requests.

## **Operational Impact**

The Communications, Marketing and Engagement team will oversee the promotion of these proclamations on corporate channels.

## **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

Not applicable.

## **Conclusion**

Having reviewed the requests, staff is recommending that the following be proclaimed: the month of May as “Building Safety Month”; the day of May 4 as “International Firefighters’ Day” on an annual basis going forward; the day of May 8 as “Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Day”; the day of May 14 as “Israel’s 76<sup>th</sup> Independence Day”, and, also, that these proclamations be posted on the City’s website and that the Communications, Marketing and Engagement department be directed to promote the above noted proclamations through the various corporate channels.

**For more information**, please contact: Todd Coles, City Clerk, ext. 8281.

## **Attachments**

1. Proclamation Request Form received from the City of Vaughan Building Standards Department.
2. Proclamation Request Form received from VFRS.
3. Proclamation Request Form received from York Region MY MS FAMILY COMMUNITY.
4. Proclamation Request Form received from The Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs.

## **Prepared by**

Julia Bartolomeo, Supervisor, City Clerk’s Administrative Services, ext. 8280

**Approved by**



Effie Lidakis, Acting Deputy City  
Manager on behalf of Wendy Law,  
Deputy City Manager, Legal and  
Administrative Services & City Solicitor

**Reviewed by**



Nick Spensieri, City Manager





## FLAG RAISING & PROCLAMATION REQUEST FORM

I am requesting the following (please select all that apply):

- Flag Raising (Complete Parts 1-3, Parts 5 & 6, Annex A, Annex B)
- Proclamation (Complete Parts 1-4)

### PART 1: ORGANIZATION DETAILS

**ORGANIZATION NAME**

Ontario Building Officials Association (OBOA)

**ORGANIZATION TYPE**

Public Institution

### PART 2: REQUESTER DETAILS

**LAST NAME OR SINGLE NAME**

Lawrence

**FIRST NAME**

Wagner

**STREET ADDRESS**

[REDACTED]

**APT/UNIT NUMBER**

[REDACTED]

**CITY/TOWN**

[REDACTED]

**PROVINCE**

[REDACTED]

**POSTAL CODE**

[REDACTED]

**EMAIL ADDRESS**

**TELEPHONE NUMBER**

[REDACTED]

### PART 3: ALTERNATE CONTACT DETAILS

**LAST NAME OR SINGLE NAME**

PUCCI

**FIRST NAME**

BEN

**STREET ADDRESS**

2141 Major Mackenzie Drive

**APT/UNIT NUMBER**

[REDACTED]

**CITY/TOWN**

Vaughan

**PROVINCE**

ON

**POSTAL CODE**

L6A1T1

**EMAIL ADDRESS**

ben.pucci@vaughan.ca

**TELEPHONE NUMBER**

(905) 832-8585

## PART 4: PROCLAMATION REQUEST DETAILS

**CAUSE/EVENT/COMMEMORATION TO BE PROCLAIMED** (*Written as you want it to be Declared by Council*)

May is Building Safety Month

DAY

WEEK

MONTH

## PART 5: FLAG RAISING DETAILS

**CAUSE/EVENT/COMMEMORATION TO BE RECOGNIZED**

**FLAG TO BE RAISED** (*Please attach an image of the flag to this form*)

**ANTHEM OR MUSIC TO BE PLAYED** (*If required*)

**WILL THERE BE A PUBLIC EVENT AT CITY HALL FOLLOWING THE FLAG RAISING CEREMONY?**

- YES** - To book an appropriate space at City Hall and required equipment following the ceremony, please contact Recreation Services by telephone at (905) 832-8500 or by email at [RecCSD@vaughan.ca](mailto:RecCSD@vaughan.ca).
- NO**

## PART 6: PUBLIC CEREMONY DETAILS

The City of Vaughan endeavors to accommodate the requestor's preferred date, however it is **NOT GUARANTEED**. To assist in scheduling your public ceremony, we ask you to designate up to 3 alternate dates for booking.

**PREFERRED CEREMONY DATE**

**ALTERNATE CEREMONY DATE 1**

**ALTERNATE CEREMONY DATE 2**

**ALTERNATE CEREMONY DATE 3**

**TIME OF DAY PREFERENCE**

**AM** (09:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)

**PM** (12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.)

<b>ESTIMATED NUMBER OF ATTENDEES</b>	
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**THE FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN ATTACHED TO THIS REQUEST** (Please note that these are **REQUIRED** as part of the request approval)

- Completed Annex A Draft Ceremony Agenda** (See Page 4)
- Completed Annex B Dignitaries/VIPs Attending/Invited** (See Page 5)
- Image of the Flag to be Raised**

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# FLAG RAISING & PROCLAMATION REQUEST FORM

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM

<b>PART 1: ORGANIZATION DETAILS</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Please provide your organization's full official name.</li><li>• Select the most appropriate type from the options provided.</li></ul>
<b>PART 2: REQUESTOR DETAILS</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Identify the primary contact for this request on behalf of the organization identified in Part 1.</li></ul>
<b>PART 3: ALTERNATE CONTACT DETAILS</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Please make sure to identify an alternate contact to ensure staff can reach a representative of your organization if the primary contact is unavailable on short notice.</li></ul>
<b>PART 4: PROCLAMATION REQUEST DETAILS</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Identify the occasion being recognized by this proclamation, i.e. national day, independence day, awareness month.</li><li>• Please select whether the date to be proclaimed is a specific day, for a week or for an entire month.</li></ul>
<b>PART 5: FLAG RAISING DETAILS</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Identify the occasion being recognized by this flag raising ceremony, i.e. national day, independence day, awareness month.</li><li>• It is imperative that you supply a clear image of the flag to ensure staff reviewing the request can ensure that it complies with our policies and protocols.</li><li>• Please consult the Protocol Services page online for full details on flag raising ceremonies.</li><li>• This request only covers flag raising ceremonies, if you wish to conduct an event to celebrate after the ceremony is concluded you <b>MUST</b> contact Recreation Services to book locations and resources for that event.</li><li>• Please note that if you require additional resources or time for your ceremony, you will also need to contact Recreation Services to book rooms, spaces and equipment beyond that normally provided by the City of Vaughan.</li></ul>
<b>PART 6: PUBLIC CEREMONY DETAILS</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Provide alternate dates and times to ensure the availability of our space, staff, resources and Council for the ceremony.</li><li>• It is imperative that you provide an <u>accurate</u> estimate to ensure we provide appropriate seating and security for the ceremony.</li><li>• Ensure that all three documents are attached with your request or it may be denied for completeness.</li></ul>

## ANNEX A: DRAFT CEREMONY AGENDA

- Please detail each item of the agenda in order, including the approximate time that it will take place.
- Items may include an Introduction, Official Greetings from the Mayor, Raising of the Flag, etc.; try to provide any additional details that might be helpful such as noting that the anthem should be played when the flag is being raised.
- A sample of the draft ceremony agenda is provided below to help guide you in completing this page:

Time	Item
12:00	Master of Ceremonies provides an introduction and welcomes everyone to the ceremony.
12:05	President of the organization delivers greetings and acknowledges dignitaries.
12:10	Mayor delivers his address to guests.
12:15	Member of Parliament delivers their address to guests.
12:25	Children's choir sings cultural song.
12:35	Organization and dignitaries raise the flag, while the anthem is played.
12:45	Master of Ceremonies thanks everyone and closes the ceremony.

- Staff will work with you on finalizing the agenda for your ceremony after the request has been submitted.

## ANNEX B: DIGNITARY/VIPs ATTENDING/INVITED

- Provide the name and organizations for all dignitaries or VIPs you are inviting to attend the ceremony.
- Dignitaries and VIPs might include the Mayor and Members of Vaughan Council, Members of Parliament, Members of Provincial Parliament, Ambassadors or High Commissioners from foreign embassies or high commissions, CEOs or Presidents of corporations, etc.
- Please note that city staff will only issue invitations and information to the Mayor and Members of Council, you are required to invite and inform all other dignitaries and VIPs listed on this page of your request form.



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**ORGANIZATION NAME**

Vaughan Fire & Rescue Services

**ORGANIZATION TYPE**

Public Institution

### PART 2: REQUESTER DETAILS

**LAST NAME OR SINGLE NAME**

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**FIRST NAME**

Michael

**STREET ADDRESS**

2141 Major Mackenzie Drive

**APT/UNIT NUMBER**

**CITY/TOWN**

Vaughan

**PROVINCE**

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**POSTAL CODE**

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**EMAIL ADDRESS**

michael.ing@vaughan.ca

**TELEPHONE NUMBER**

(416) 553-9938

### PART 3: ALTERNATE CONTACT DETAILS

**LAST NAME OR SINGLE NAME**

**FIRST NAME**

**STREET ADDRESS**

**APT/UNIT NUMBER**

**CITY/TOWN**

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**POSTAL CODE**

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## PART 4: PROCLAMATION REQUEST DETAILS

**CAUSE/EVENT/COMMEMORATION TO BE PROCLAIMED** (*Written as you want it to be Declared by Council*)

INTERNATIONAL FIREFIGHTERS' DAY - MAY 4

DAY

WEEK

MONTH

## PART 5: FLAG RAISING DETAILS

**CAUSE/EVENT/COMMEMORATION TO BE RECOGNIZED**

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**ANTHEM OR MUSIC TO BE PLAYED** (*If required*)

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- Proclamation (Complete Parts 1-4)

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**ORGANIZATION NAME**

York Region MY MS FAMILY COMMUNITY

**ORGANIZATION TYPE**

Not-for-profit

### PART 2: REQUESTER DETAILS

**LAST NAME OR SINGLE NAME**

Busciglio

**FIRST NAME**

Peter

**STREET ADDRESS**

[REDACTED]

**APT/UNIT NUMBER**

**CITY/TOWN**

[REDACTED]

**PROVINCE**

[REDACTED]

**POSTAL CODE**

[REDACTED]

**EMAIL ADDRESS**

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**TELEPHONE NUMBER**

[REDACTED]

### PART 3: ALTERNATE CONTACT DETAILS

**LAST NAME OR SINGLE NAME**

Pilkey

**FIRST NAME**

Doug

**STREET ADDRESS**

[REDACTED]

**APT/UNIT NUMBER**

**CITY/TOWN**

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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## PART 4: PROCLAMATION REQUEST DETAILS

**CAUSE/EVENT/COMMEMORATION TO BE PROCLAIMED** (*Written as you want it to be Declared by Council*)

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AWARENESS DAY - MAY 8

DAY

WEEK

MONTH

## PART 5: FLAG RAISING DETAILS

**CAUSE/EVENT/COMMEMORATION TO BE RECOGNIZED**

To bring awareness of Multiple Sclerosis and of our MS Chapter to the City of Vaughan and to raise m

**FLAG TO BE RAISED** (*Please attach an image of the flag to this form*)

Yes

**ANTHEM OR MUSIC TO BE PLAYED** (*If required*)

Canadian National Anthem

**WILL THERE BE A PUBLIC EVENT AT CITY HALL FOLLOWING THE FLAG RAISING CEREMONY?**

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5/8/24

**ALTERNATE CEREMONY DATE 1**

5/1/24

**ALTERNATE CEREMONY DATE 2**

**ALTERNATE CEREMONY DATE 3**

**TIME OF DAY PREFERENCE**

**AM (09:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)**

**PM (12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.)**

**ESTIMATED NUMBER OF ATTENDEES**

20

**THE FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN ATTACHED TO THIS REQUEST** (Please note that these are **REQUIRED** as part of the request approval)

- Completed Annex A Draft Ceremony Agenda** (See Page 4)
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TIME	ITEM
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10:15	Invite Mayor Steven DeIDuca to address all in attendance
10:30	Dignitaries and MS members to raise the MY MS FAMILY Flag and for group
10:45	Peter Busciglio thanking all those in attendance and for the continued support
11:00	Refreshments to be served and time for our MS members to thank all of the di

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NAME	ORGANIZATION
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Deputy Mayor Linda Jackson	City of Vaughan
Regional Councillor Mario Ferri	City of Vaughan
Regional Councillor Gino Rosati	City of Vaughan
Regional Councillor Mario G. Racco	City of Vaughan
Ward 1 Councillor Marilyn Iafrate	City of Vaughan
Ward 2 Councillor Adriano Volpentesta	City of Vaughan
Ward 3 Councillor Rosanna Defrancesca	City of Vaughan
Ward 4 Councillor Chris Ainsworth	City of Vaughan
Ward 5 Councillor Gila Martow	City of Vaughan
Members of MY MS FAMILY	York Region MS Community

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**ORGANIZATION NAME**

The Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs

**ORGANIZATION TYPE**

Not-for-profit

### PART 2: REQUESTER DETAILS

**LAST NAME OR SINGLE NAME**

Zynoberg

**FIRST NAME**

Zehavi

**STREET ADDRESS**

[REDACTED]

**APT/UNIT NUMBER**

[REDACTED]

**CITY/TOWN**

[REDACTED]

**PROVINCE**

[REDACTED]

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**EMAIL ADDRESS**

zzynoberg@cija.ca

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Israel's 76th Independence Day

DAY

WEEK

MONTH

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Israeli

**ANTHEM OR MUSIC TO BE PLAYED** (*If required*)

HaTikva (Israeli anthem)

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## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD:** 2

**TITLE:** PROPOSED DESIGNATION UNDER PART IV OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT OF 5670 STEELES AVENUE WEST (TRANSMITTAL REPORT)

**FROM:**  
Heritage Vaughan Committee

**ACTION:** DECISION

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### **Purpose**

To forward recommendations from the Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting of March 27, 2024, with respect to the subject matter, for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

### **Report Highlights**

- This is a transmittal report from the City Clerk, on behalf of the Heritage Vaughan Committee, forwarding recommendations for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

### **Recommendations**

The Heritage Vaughan Committee recommended that the following recommendations be forwarded to Council for approval:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024, be approved;
- 2) That the presentation by Nick Borcescu, Senior Heritage Planner, Development Planning, be received; and
- 3) That the comments from the committee be received.

Recommendations of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024:

THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend Council approve the proposed designation as presented, subject to following conditions:

1. That Council approve the recommendation of the Heritage Vaughan Committee to designate 5670 Steeles Avenue W in accordance with Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18.
2. That Staff be authorized to publish and serve the Notice of Intention to Designate in accordance with the requirements under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O 1990, c.O.18 to the Ontario Heritage Trust, the Property Owner, and published on the City Website.
3. If no objection is served on the City Clerk within 30 days of the date of publication of the Notice of Intention, Council shall pass a by-law designating 5670 Steeles Avenue W and a copy of the by-law shall be served on the Property Owner and Ontario Heritage Trust and a notice shall be published on the City Website.

**Background**

At its meeting on March 27, 2024, the Heritage Vaughan Committee considered recommendations contained in the report [Attachment 2] of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management.

Attachment 1 of this report contains the Location Map of the subject property.

**Previous Reports/Authority**

N/a

**Analysis and Options**

Recommendations from the Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting of March 27, 2024, are being presented for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

**Financial Impact**

N/a

**Operational Impact**

There are no operational impacts or considerations.

**Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

N/a

## **Conclusion**

This is a transmittal report from the City Clerk, on behalf of the Heritage Vaughan Committee, forwarding recommendations from its meeting of March 27, 2024, for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

**For more information**, please contact Todd Coles, City Clerk, extension 8281.

## **Attachments**

1. [5670 Steeles Avenue West Location Map](#).
2. Due to the size of the staff report and attachments, here is a link to the March 27, 2024, Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting [Agenda Item 3: 5670 Steeles Avenue West](#).

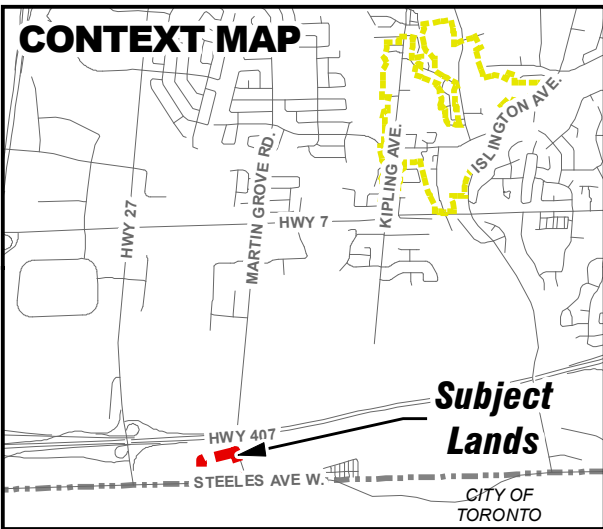
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John Britto, Council / Committee Administrator, extension 8637.



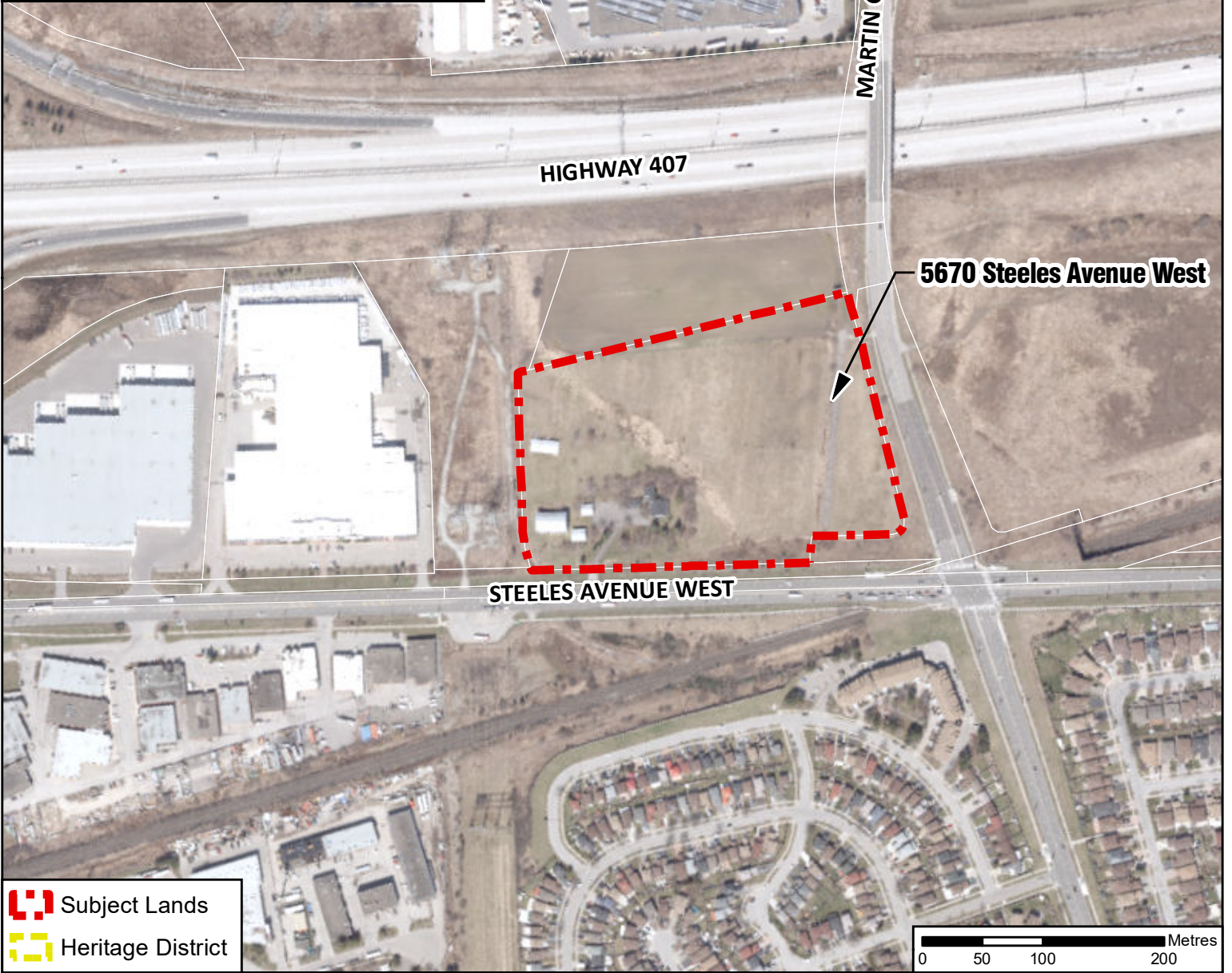
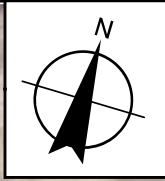


# CONTEXT MAP



**Subject Lands**

CITY OF TORONTO





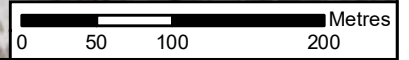
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**STEELES AVENUE WEST**

**HIGHWAY 407**

**MARTIN GROVE ROAD**

-  Subject Lands
-  Heritage District



# Location Map

**LOCATION:**  
5670 Steeles Avenue West  
Part of Lot 1, Concession 8



# Attachment

**DATE:**  
March 27, 2024

# 1



## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD:** 2

**TITLE:** PROPOSED DESIGNATION UNDER PART IV OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT OF 7303 ISLINGTON AVENUE (TRANSMITTAL REPORT)

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**FROM:**  
Heritage Vaughan Committee

**ACTION:** DECISION

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### **Purpose**

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Recommendations of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024:

THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend Council approve the proposed designation as presented, subject to following conditions:

1. That Council approve the recommendation of the Heritage Vaughan Committee to designate 7303 Islington Avenue in accordance with Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18.
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**Analysis and Options**

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**Financial Impact**

N/a

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**Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

N/a

## **Conclusion**

This is a transmittal report from the City Clerk, on behalf of the Heritage Vaughan Committee, forwarding recommendations from its meeting of March 27, 2024, for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

**For more information**, please contact Todd Coles, City Clerk, extension 8281.

## **Attachments**

1. [7303 Islington Avenue Location Map](#).
2. Due to the size of the staff report and attachments, here is a link to the March 27, 2024, Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting [Agenda Item 4: 7303 Islington Avenue](#).

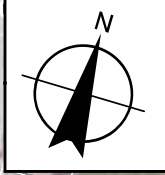
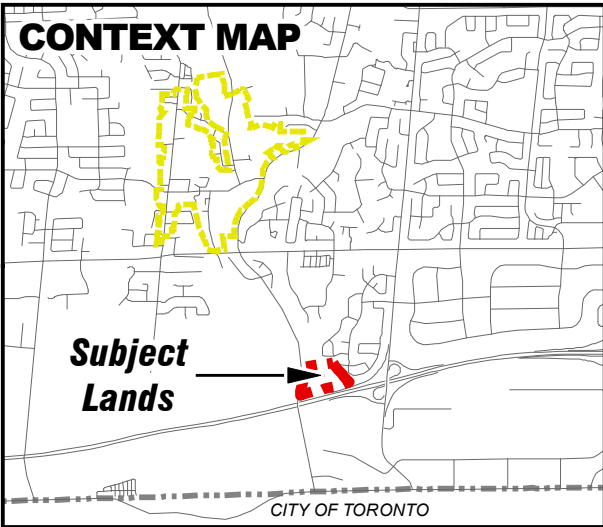
## **Prepared by**



John Britto, Council / Committee Administrator, extension 8637.





# CONTEXT MAP



-  Subject Lands
-  Heritage District

# Location Map

**LOCATION:**  
7303 Islington Avenue  
Part of Lot 3, Concession 7



# Attachment

**DATE:**  
March 27, 2024

# 1



## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD:** 2

**TITLE:** PROPOSED DESIGNATION UNDER PART IV OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT OF 7365 MARTIN GROVE ROAD (TRANSMITTAL REPORT)

**FROM:**

Heritage Vaughan Committee

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

To forward recommendations from the Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting of March 27, 2024, with respect to the subject matter, for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

**Report Highlights**

- This is a transmittal report from the City Clerk, on behalf of the Heritage Vaughan Committee, forwarding recommendations for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

**Recommendations**

The Heritage Vaughan Committee recommended that the following recommendations be forwarded to Council for approval:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024, be approved;
- 2) That the presentation by Nick Borcescu, Senior Heritage Planner, Development Planning, be received; and
- 3) That the comments from the committee be received.

Recommendations of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024:

THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend Council approve the proposed designation as presented, subject to following conditions:

1. That Council approve the recommendation of the Heritage Vaughan Committee to designate 7365 Martin Grove Road in accordance with Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18.
2. That Staff be authorized to publish and serve the Notice of Intention to Designate in accordance with the requirements under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O 1990, c.O.18 to the Ontario Heritage Trust, the Property Owner, and published on the City Website.
3. If no objection is served on the City Clerk within 30 days of the date of publication of the Notice of Intention, Council shall pass a by-law designating 7365 Martin Grove Road and a copy of the by-law shall be served on the Property Owner and Ontario Heritage Trust and a notice shall be published on the City Website.

**Background**

At its meeting on March 27, 2024, the Heritage Vaughan Committee considered recommendations contained in the report [Attachment 2] of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management.

Attachment 1 of this report contains the Location Map of the subject property.

**Previous Reports/Authority**

N/a

**Analysis and Options**

Recommendations from the Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting of March 27, 2024, are being presented for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

**Financial Impact**

N/a

**Operational Impact**

There are no operational impacts or considerations.

**Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

N/a

## **Conclusion**

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**For more information**, please contact Todd Coles, City Clerk, extension 8281.

## **Attachments**

1. [7365 Martin Grove Road Location Map](#).
2. Due to the size of the staff report and attachments, here is a link to the March 27, 2024, Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting [Agenda Item 5: 7365 Martin Grove Road](#).

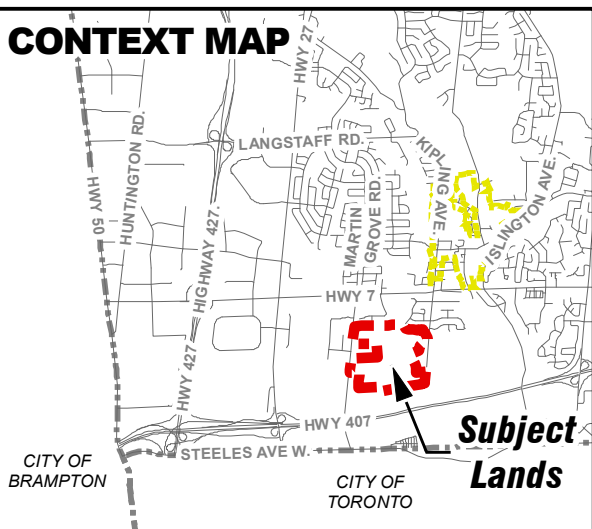
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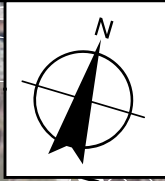




# CONTEXT MAP



**Subject Lands**



**7365 Martin Grove Road**

# Location Map

**LOCATION:**  
7365 Martin Grove Road  
Part of Lots 2,3, and 4, Concession 8



# Attachment

**DATE:**  
March 27, 2024

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## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD:** 1

**TITLE:** DELISTING OF 8274 ISLINGTON AVENUE, A PROPERTY INCLUDED ON THE VAUGHAN HERITAGE INVENTORY AS A LISTED STRUCTURE OF HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE ('LSHS') (TRANSMITTAL REPORT)

**FROM:**

Heritage Vaughan Committee

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

To forward recommendations from the Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting of March 27, 2024, with respect to the subject matter, for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

**Report Highlights**

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**Recommendations**

The Heritage Vaughan Committee recommended that the following recommendations be forwarded to Council for approval:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024, be approved;
- 2) That the presentation by Nick Borcescu, Senior Heritage Planner, Development Planning, be received; and
- 3) That the comments from the committee be received.

Recommendations of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024:

1. THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend the approval of the proposed removal of the subject property from City of Vaughan Heritage Inventory as a Listed Structure of Historical Significance, under Section 27(1.3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.
2. THAT a quantity of the original bricks from the Church be retained and re-used as low landscaping walls within the new development and a commemorative plaque be installed to the satisfaction of the City's Cultural Heritage Staff.
3. THAT the original door and transom be salvaged, retained, and reused by the congregation at the site of the proposed new church off-site.

**Background**

At its meeting on March 27, 2024, the Heritage Vaughan Committee considered recommendations contained in the report [Attachment 2] of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management.

Attachment 1 of this report contains the Location Map of the subject property.

**Previous Reports/Authority**

N/a

**Analysis and Options**

Recommendations from the Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting of March 27, 2024, are being presented for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

**Financial Impact**

N/a

**Operational Impact**

There are no operational impacts or considerations.

**Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

N/a



## **Conclusion**

This is a transmittal report from the City Clerk, on behalf of the Heritage Vaughan Committee, forwarding recommendations from its meeting of March 27, 2024, for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

**For more information**, please contact Todd Coles, City Clerk, extension 8281.

## **Attachments**

1. [8274 Islington Avenue Location Map](#).
2. Due to the size of the staff report and attachments, here is a link to the March 27, 2024, Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting [Agenda Item 1: 8274 Islington Avenue](#).

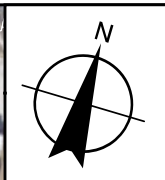
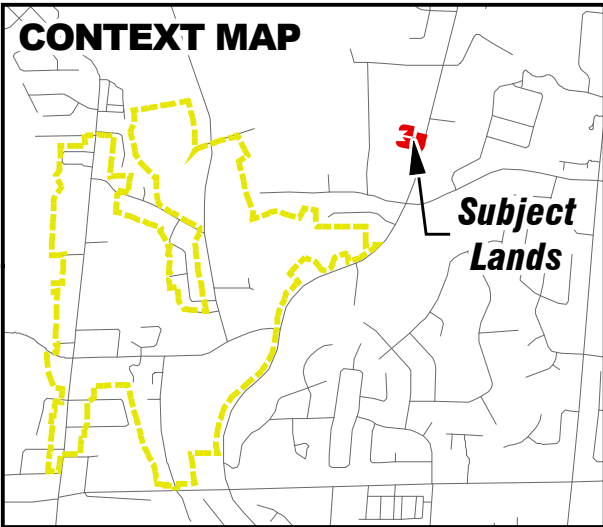
## **Prepared by**



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# CONTEXT MAP



-  Subject Lands
-  Heritage District

# Location Map

**LOCATION:**  
8274 Islington Avenue  
Part of Lot 9, Concession 7



# Attachment

**DATE:**  
March 27, 2024

# 1



## Committee of the Whole (2) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, April 16, 2024

**WARD:** 2

**TITLE:** DELISTING OF 8286 ISLINGTON AVENUE, A PROPERTY INCLUDED ON THE VAUGHAN HERITAGE INVENTORY AS A LISTED STRUCTURE OF HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE ('LSHS') (TRANSMITTAL REPORT)

**FROM:**

Heritage Vaughan Committee

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

To forward recommendations from the Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting of March 27, 2024, with respect to the subject matter, for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

**Report Highlights**

- This is a transmittal report from the City Clerk, on behalf of the Heritage Vaughan Committee, forwarding recommendations for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

**Recommendations**

The Heritage Vaughan Committee recommended that the following recommendations be forwarded to Council for approval:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024, be approved;
- 2) That the presentation by Nick Borcescu, Senior Heritage Planner, Development Planning, be received; and
- 3) That the comments from the committee be received.

Recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024:

THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend the approval of the proposed removal of the subject property from City of Vaughan Heritage Inventory as a *Listed Structure of Historical Significance*, under Section 27(1.3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

**Background**

At its meeting on March 27, 2024, the Heritage Vaughan Committee considered recommendations contained in the report [Attachment 2] of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management.

Attachment 1 of this report contains the Location Map of the subject property.

**Previous Reports/Authority**

N/a

**Analysis and Options**

Recommendations from the Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting of March 27, 2024, are being presented for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

**Financial Impact**

N/a

**Operational Impact**

There are no operational impacts or considerations.

**Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

N/a

**Conclusion**

This is a transmittal report from the City Clerk, on behalf of the Heritage Vaughan Committee, forwarding recommendations from its meeting of March 27, 2024, for consideration by Committee of the Whole.

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## **Attachments**

1. [8286 Islington Avenue Location Map](#).
2. Due to the size of the staff report and attachments, here is a link to the March 27, 2024, Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting [Agenda Item 2: 8286 Islington Avenue](#).

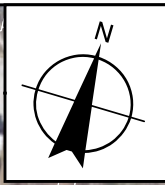
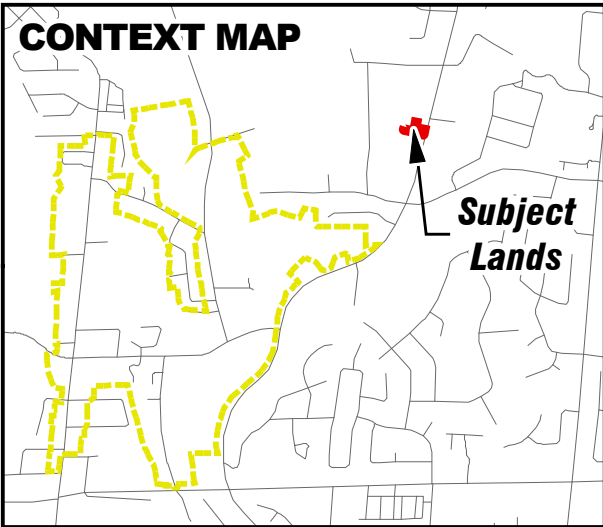
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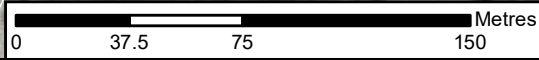




# CONTEXT MAP



-  Subject Lands
-  Heritage District



# Location Map

**LOCATION:**  
8286 Islington Avenue  
Part of Lot 9, Concession 7



# Attachment

**DATE:**  
March 27, 2024

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**CITY OF VAUGHAN  
REPORT NO. 4 OF THE  
HERITAGE VAUGHAN COMMITTEE**

*For consideration by the Committee of the Whole  
of the City of Vaughan  
on April 16, 2024*

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The Heritage Vaughan Committee met at 7:01 p.m., on March 27, 2024, via electronic participation. The following members were present at the meeting:

**Members:**

Giacomo Parisi, Chair  
Alessia Iafano  
Charlie (Hao) Zheng  
Lisa Cantkier  
Riccardo Orsini  
Sandra Colica  
Regional Councillor Mario G. Racco  
Councillor Marilyn Iafate  
Councillor Chris Ainsworth

**Staff:**

Shahrzad Davoudi-Strike, Manager, Urban Design, Development Planning  
Nick Borcescu, Senior Heritage Planner, Development Planning  
Aminata Shaw, Heritage Specialist, Development Planning  
Katrina Guy, Heritage Specialist, Development Planning  
Vanessa Lio, Heritage Specialist, Development Planning  
John Britto, Council/Committee Administrator, Office of the City Clerk

**Others:**

Paul Durfee Oberst, Province Street South, Hamilton  
Sandy Agnew, Scarlett Line, Elmvale, representing the Dalziel family

The following items were dealt with:

- 1. DELISTING OF 8274 ISLINGTON AVENUE, A PROPERTY INCLUDED ON THE VAUGHAN HERITAGE INVENTORY AS A LISTED STRUCTURE OF HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE ('LSHS')**

**The Heritage Vaughan Committee recommended that the following recommendations be forwarded to Council for approval:**

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APRIL 16, 2024**

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- 1) That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024, be approved;
- 2) That the presentation by Nick Borcescu, Senior Heritage Planner, Development Planning, be received; and
- 3) That the comments from the committee be received.

**Recommendations**

1. THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend the approval of the proposed removal of the subject property from City of Vaughan Heritage Inventory as a Listed Structure of Historical Significance, under Section 27(1.3) of the Ontario Heritage Act.
2. THAT a quantity of the original bricks from the Church be retained and re-used as low landscaping walls within the new development and a commemorative plaque be installed to the satisfaction of the City's Cultural Heritage Staff.
3. THAT the original door and transom be salvaged, retained, and reused by the congregation at the site of the proposed new church off-site.

**2. DELISTING OF 8286 ISLINGTON AVENUE, A PROPERTY INCLUDED ON THE VAUGHAN HERITAGE INVENTORY AS A LISTED STRUCTURE OF HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE ('LSHS')**

The Heritage Vaughan Committee recommended that the following recommendations be forwarded to Council for approval:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024, be approved;
- 2) That the presentation by Nick Borcescu, Senior Heritage Planner, Development Planning, be received; and
- 3) That the comments from the committee be received.

**Recommendations**

1. THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend the approval of the proposed removal of the subject property from City of Vaughan Heritage Inventory as a *Listed Structure of Historical Significance*, under Section 27(1.3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.



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CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE,  
APRIL 16, 2024**

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**3. PROPOSED DESIGNATION UNDER PART IV OF THE ONTARIO  
HERITAGE ACT OF 5670 STEELES AVENUE W**

The Heritage Vaughan Committee recommended that the following recommendations be forwarded to Council for approval:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024, be approved;
- 2) That the presentation by Nick Borcescu, Senior Heritage Planner, Development Planning, be received; and
- 3) That the comments from the committee be received.

**Recommendations**

THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend Council approve the proposed designation as presented, subject to following conditions:

1. That Council approve the recommendation of the Heritage Vaughan Committee to designate 5670 Steeles Avenue W in accordance with Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18.
2. That Staff be authorized to publish and serve the Notice of Intention to Designate in accordance with the requirements under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O 1990, c.O.18 to the Ontario Heritage Trust, the Property Owner, and published on the City Website.
3. If no objection is served on the City Clerk within 30 days of the date of publication of the Notice of Intention, Council shall pass a by-law designating 5670 Steeles Avenue W and a copy of the by-law shall be served on the Property Owner and Ontario Heritage Trust and a notice shall be published on the City Website.

**4. PROPOSED DESIGNATION UNDER PART IV OF THE ONTARIO  
HERITAGE ACT OF 7303 ISLINGTON AVENUE**

The Heritage Vaughan Committee recommended that the following recommendations be forwarded to Council for approval:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024, be approved;



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APRIL 16, 2024**

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- 2) **That the presentation by Nick Borcescu, Senior Heritage Planner, Development Planning, be received; and**
- 3) **That the comments from the committee be received.**

**Recommendations**

THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend Council approve the proposed designation as presented, subject to following conditions:

1. That Council approve the recommendation of the Heritage Vaughan Committee to designate 7303 Islington Avenue in accordance with Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18.
2. That Staff be authorized to publish and serve the Notice of Intention to Designate in accordance with the requirements under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O 1990, c.O.18 to the Ontario Heritage Trust, the Property Owner, and published on the City Website.
3. If no objection is served on the City Clerk within 30 days of the date of publication of the Notice of Intention, Council shall pass a by-law designating 7303 Islington Avenue and a copy of the by-law shall be served on the Property Owner and Ontario Heritage Trust and a notice shall be published on the City Website.

**5. PROPOSED DESIGNATION UNDER PART IV OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT OF 7365 MARTIN GROVE ROAD**

**The Heritage Vaughan Committee recommended that the following recommendations be forwarded to Council for approval:**

- 1) **That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024, be approved;**
- 2) **That the presentation by Nick Borcescu, Senior Heritage Planner, Development Planning, be received; and**
- 3) **That the comments from the committee be received.**

**Recommendations**

THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend Council approve the proposed designation as presented, subject to following conditions:

1. That Council approve the recommendation of the Heritage Vaughan Committee to designate 7365 Martin Grove Road in accordance

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with Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18.

2. That Staff be authorized to publish and serve the Notice of Intention to Designate in accordance with the requirements under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O 1990, c.O.18 to the Ontario Heritage Trust, the Property Owner, and published on the City Website.
3. If no objection is served on the City Clerk within 30 days of the date of publication of the Notice of Intention, Council shall pass a by-law designating 7365 Martin Grove Road and a copy of the by-law shall be served on the Property Owner and Ontario Heritage Trust and a notice shall be published on the City Website.

**6. SITUATION REPORT STEMMING FROM THE UNLAWFUL IRREVERSIBLE ALTERATIONS CAUSED WITHOUT PERMIT AT 51 NAPIER STREET, IN THE KLEINBURG-NASHVILLE HERITAGE CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**The Heritage Vaughan Committee recommended:**

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated March 27, 2024, be approved;
- 2) That Communication C1, memorandum from the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management and the Deputy City Manager, Legal & Administrative Services and City Solicitor, dated March 22, 2024, be received;
- 3) That the presentation by Nick Borcescu, Senior Heritage Planner, Development Planning, be received; and
- 4) That the comments from the committee be received.

**Recommendations**

1. THAT this report be received.

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The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Giacomo Parisi, Chair