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# **City of Vaughan Strategic Plan (2022-2026)**

## **Backgrounder – Transportation and Infrastructure Task Force**

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## ●●● Introduction

# Project Background

## PROJECT CONTEXT

The City of Vaughan has engaged StrategyCorp to support the development of its updated Strategic Plan.

- Vaughan is a fast-growing City, with unique community needs. This Strategic Plan needs to represent those needs and meet the expectations of Council and City leadership.
- The strategic planning process will engage Council, staff, the community, and stakeholders, as well as the City's Task Forces.
- We will be engaging each Task Force to gain a deeper understanding of each priority area, the work the City has done to date, and the opportunities and potential recommendations for the future.

## MEETING STRUCTURE

- Our objective is to hear directly from Task Force members.
- We have included an overview of the City's Objectives and Key Activities relating to the Good Governance Strategic Priority Area in the current Strategic Plan.
- The discussion will revolve around the discussion question included in this deck.
- Please note that your input will be synthesized and remain non-attributable in any reports or presentations we may bring forward.
- If you have any additional questions or comments, please send them to Stacy Hushion [shushion@strategycorp.com](mailto:shushion@strategycorp.com) or Reema Bazzi at [rbazzi@strategycorp.com](mailto:rbazzi@strategycorp.com).

# Transportation and Infrastructure Task Force

The Transportation and Infrastructure Task Force has an overall mandate to assist the City in finding new and innovative ways to manage and make its transportation systems more sustainable amid the rapidly changing landscape of Vaughan.

- Vaughan is a rapidly growing City, whose residents need more options to travel from one place to another.
- Enhanced regional connectivity is needed as more people across the GTA are beginning to commute to Vaughan for employment, business and entertainment purposes.
- Transportation and Mobility is a pillar of the Strategic Plan that aims to create a connected and integrated community.

The Task Force serves as a forum of discussion for residents, businesses, and stakeholders for improving transportation and presenting infrastructure solutions through research, best practices, strategic input and recommendations to the City.

We are seeking the Task Force's input on the transportation and infrastructure landscape at the City and to identify opportunities related to active transportation, as well as local and regional transportation projects and initiatives.

## ●●● The Current Strategic Plan

# Current Strategic Plan Framework – Goals and Objectives

Priorities (9)	Transportation and Mobility	City Building	Active, Safe, and Diverse Communities	Environmental Stewardship	Economic Prosperity, Investment in Social Capital	Good Governance	Citizen Experience	Operational Performance	Staff Engagement
	Improve Local Road Network	Develop the Mackenzie Vaughan Hospital Precinct	Enhance Community Well-Being	Protect and Respect Our Environment	Advance Economic Opportunities	Ensure Transparency and Accountability	Commitment to Citizen Service	Leverage Data-Driven Decision-Making	Empower Staff
Objectives (24)	Support Regional Transportation Initiatives	Develop the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre (VMC)	Enrich Our Community	Proactive Environmental Management	Attract New Investments	Commitment to Financial Stewardship and Sustainability (Demonstrate Value for Money)	Transform Services through Technology	Promote Innovation and Continuous Improvement	Develop Leadership
	Advance Active Transportation	Elevate Quality of Life Through City Planning	Maintain Safety in Our Community	Build the Low Carbon Economy and a Resilient City	Enable a Climate for Job Creation				Manage Performance

**Transportation and Mobility Strategic Goal Statement:** *To be a fully connected and integrated community, the City will undertake initiatives to improve the municipal road network, support the development of transit and increase cycling and pedestrian infrastructure.*

# Summary of Key Activities in Current Strategic Plan

**The current Strategic Plan also includes the following key activities that relate to the work of the Transportation and Infrastructure Task Force:**

1. Kirby Road Extension, Dufferin Street to Bathurst Street (Design)
2. Vaughan Transportation Plan
3. Bass Pro Mills Drive from Hwy 400 to Weston Road (EA)
4. Langstaff Road (EA)
5. Kirby Road Widening, Jane Street to Dufferin Street (EA)
6. Huntington Road Widening
7. Canada Drive & America Avenue Bridge
8. Huntington Road Ramp extension
9. Major Mackenzie Drive Center Turn lane (widening)
10. Mobility Pilot around GO stations
11. U of T IOT initiatives
12. Advance the Vaughan Super Trail initiative

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11. Implementation of GO Expansion
12. GTA West Transportation Corridor EA study
13. Yonge Subway Extension (design)
14. Teston Road missing link (EA)
15. Major Mackenzie Drive widening adjacent to hospital (construction)
16. Kirby Road, from Dufferin Street to Bathurst Street (EA)
17. Bass Pro Mills Drive from Romina Drive to Jane Street
18. MoveSmart Mobility Management Strategy
19. Highway 427 Extension (construction)
20. Complete the Pedestrian and Cycling Master Plan Update
21. Deliver Clark Avenue active transportation facility
22. York Region Bus Rapid Transit (Hwy 7, Centre Street, Bathurst Street - Construction)



## ●●● Discussion

# Discussion Question

What are some opportunity areas that the City of Vaughan should focus on over the next several years as it relates to Transportation and Mobility, and the Transportation and Mobility Task Force, and why?