

Attachment 2: City of Vaughan Housing Pledge

To implement the 1.5 million homes target, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing has asked the City of Vaughan to demonstrate its commitment to accelerating housing supply by developing a Municipal Housing Pledge and taking the necessary steps to facilitate the construction of 42,000 new homes in the City by 2031.

Vaughan continues to provide a relatively stable market as new units continue to be planned and approved. The Pledge showcases the strategies and actions that the City will adopt in order to prioritize and accelerate housing.

Our pledge:

- Identifies the required initiatives to achieve the target of 42,000 new homes in the City of Vaughan by 2031, with a target of approximately 4,200 each year.
- Acknowledges that through the implementation of the following planning processes the City of Vaughan will continue to be in the position to approve the overall target.
- Is not intended to be a land-use planning document.
- Is made available to the public.
- Commits staff to regular monitoring and tracking progress to meet the housing targets.

The following table presents initiatives that demonstrate commitments to streamlining the development application process to ensure we meet the required housing targets.

Initiatives	Description
Delegated Site Plan Approval	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes to the Planning Act effective as of July 1, 2022, required the mandatory delegation of site plan control decisions to staff. • To address and comply with the legislative changes, amendments were made to the City's Site Plan Control By-law 123-2013 to delegate all site plan control decisions in respect of applications submitted on or after July 1, 2022 to municipal staff instead of council.
Completion of Secondary Plans for Key Areas of Growth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of Secondary Plans for Key Areas to guide development including working towards the completion of the Weston 7 Secondary Plan and update to the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre Secondary Plan
Establishing Standardized Operating Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation of Standardized Operating Procedures for Planning processes to ensure timely delivery and consistent approaches

Initiatives	Description
Creating Project Management Toolkit and templates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create Project Management Toolkit and templates including circulation guidelines, standardized comment matrix and formalizing meetings structures for planning applications
Creating Terms of References	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of guidelines (i.e., Terms of Reference) for development-related reports
Update and Utilization of AMANDA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvements to Citizen Portal for AMANDA, including Online Payment fees • Purchase of AMANDA licenses and maintenance of software for Planning Staff
Improved Software for review of applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase of Blue Beam Revu software licenses for staff for use to improve the review of applications and consistency with Building Standards reviews.
GIS Improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvement of GIS systems to build an interface for open data on development and building permit applications to provide real time information for staff
Updating the Pre-Application Consultation Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of the pre-application consultation process in response to Bill 109 legislative amendments