

Public Meeting Notice | Development Services Committee

Tell us what you think. You are invited to attend a Public Meeting, hosted by the City's Development Services Committee, relating to the City-initiated Comprehensive Zoning By-law Project. The meeting will take place on:

DATE: Monday, September 18, 2023

TIME: 7 PM

PLACE: Members of the Development Services Committee and the public have the option to attend either in-person in the Council Chamber at the Civic Centre or remotely via Zoom.

Note: All meetings are video and audio streamed and recorded on the City's website at pub-markham.escribemeetings.com

Background Information

The City is undertaking a comprehensive review of its zoning framework as part of the new Comprehensive Zoning By-law Project. The purpose of the project is to review, consolidate, and update the City's many zoning by-laws into a comprehensive zoning by-law affecting the majority of the City that is consistent with the City's 2014 Official Plan and provincial policy. The following highlights the key milestones meetings – all were well attended:

- **June to December 2021:** Staff hosted five open houses, six focus group meetings with six ratepayer's associations, and a meeting with builders and architectural firms to share information and receive input
- **May 9, 2023:** A Public Meeting was held to discuss draft modifications to the Zoning By-law and receive public input
- **June 12, 2023:** At the Development Services Committee, the matter that not all interested parties were provided sufficient notification was raised
- **June 26, 2023:** Staff provided an update to the Development Services Committee on further proposed modifications to the Zoning By-law and recommended an additional statutory Public Meeting be held in September 2023

Purpose of the Public Meeting and Zoning By-Law

The purpose of this meeting is to fulfill Section 34 (12) of the *Planning Act* by giving the public the opportunity to make representations in respect of the project with the effect to implement the policies of Markham's 2014 Official Plan, the *Planning Act*, and applicable Provincial plans and policies. The preparation of a new comprehensive zoning by-law would enable predictable outcomes, reflect the diversity of Markham, allow neighbourhoods to maintain a distinct sense of place, and be interactive and user-friendly.

Join the Conversation

If you wish to speak at this meeting, then please complete a "Request to Speak" form at: markham.ca/wps/portal/home/onlineservices/requesttospeakform

Or you may email the Clerk's Office at notifications@markham.ca

Or you may call 905.479.7760 prior to the meeting

Please provide your full name and contact information. Quote file number **PR-13-128340** so that information can be provided on how you can make a deputation.

Connect with Staff

If you cannot attend the meeting, but wish to provide comments or speak with staff, contact:

- Brad Roberts, Manager, Development Facilitation Office
Development Services Commission
broberts@markham.ca
905.477.7000 ext. 2800
- Geoff Day, Senior Planner II,
Development Facilitation Office
Development Services Commission
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Request Notification of the Decision

If you want to be notified of the decision of the City of Markham on the proposed zoning by-law, you must make a written request to the Clerk's Department or by email to: notifications@markham.ca.

Information about Appeals

- a) If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the City of Markham, or the approval authority, to the Ontario Land Tribunal ("OLT") but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the City of Markham before the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.
- b) If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the City of Markham before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the OLT unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so. That means if this by-law is appealed to the OLT and you would like to participate in the appeal in some form, you **must** make an oral submission at a Public Meeting, or submit written comments to the City Clerk, before the by-law is passed by Markham City Council.

Personal Information

Personal information collected in response to this planning notice will be used to assist City Staff and Council to process this application and will be made public.

Date of Notice: August 24, 2023

Arvin Prasad, MCIP, RPP

Commissioner of Development Services

Jim Jones

Chair, Development Services Committee

