



**NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF
OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 56**

File number:	PR 23 127618
Applicant:	City of Markham
Property Address:	
Date of decision: July 17, 2024	Date of notice: July 31, 2024

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Corporation of the City of Markham approved By-law 2024-151 on the 17th day of July, 2024, under Section 17 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended. Council has considered the written and oral submissions from the public on this matter.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The purpose of this Amendment is to update policies in the City of Markham Official Plan 2014 to incorporate an updated secondary plan for Milliken Centre in accordance with the requirements of Section 9.15 of the Official Plan.

LOCATION

This Amendment applies to the area bounded on the west by Kennedy Road and the GO Transit Stouffville Rail Line, on the north by Denison Street including the lands north of Denison Street between Amarillo Avenue and Kennedy Road, on the east generally by Old Kennedy Road and Manston Crescent, and on south by Steeles Avenue East, as shown on Map SP1 – Community Structure. The total land area in the Milliken Centre Secondary Plan is approximately 73 hectares.

APPROVAL PROCESS

Please note that this Official Plan Amendment is still subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, who has the ability to approve, modify, approve as modified or refuse to approve all or parts of the plan. Pursuant to subsection 17(36) of the *Planning Act*, where the Minister is the approval authority of an amendment, the decision is deemed final and may not be subject to appeals.

Any person or public body will be entitled to receive a copy of the decision when one is made, provided that a request to be notified of the decision is made in writing to the:

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Municipal Services Office Central Ontario
777 Bay St., 17th floor
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

For further information, please contact the Central Municipal Services Office of the MMAH at 416-585-6227 or 1-800-668-0230.

The public may view planning documents in the Clerk's office during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. Questions may be directed to Duran Wedderburn, Manager, Policy, at (905) 477-7000, ext. 2109 or at DWedderburn@markham.ca

DATED at the City of Markham this 31st day of July, 2024.

Kimberley Kitteringham City Clerk
The Corporation of the City of Markham,
101 Town Centre Boulevard
Markham, Ontario L3R 9W3

EXPLANATORY NOTE

In consideration of the Official Plan Amendment for the Milliken Centre Secondary Plan a Statutory Public Meeting was held on November 21, 2023.

Eight (8) deputations were made at the statutory public meeting, providing general and site-specific comments. The comments made by deputants and provided through written correspondence at the public meeting and recommendation report to Development Services Committee included:

- requests to remove maximum heights and densities in the draft Secondary Plan;
- requests to revise site specific land use designations and/or maximum heights and densities;
- request for additional uses to be contemplated in the Mixed-Use High-Rise land use designation;
- requests to increase the minimum units planned for the secondary plan area;
- request to make the Urban Design policies less prescriptive;
- request for Stratified Parks and Roads and Privately Owned Publicly Accessible Open Spaces to be considered in the secondary plan to provide flexibility to support the delivery of a complete community;
- request to clarify how Housing Impact Statements will be used in application reviews
- request to consider the approximate size of public parks; and
- concerns about the location of the proposed public school and land use compatibility with adjacent uses.

Comments received from prescribed bodies were generally supportive of the draft Secondary Plan and York Region provided comment that the draft secondary plan conforms to the 2022 York Region Official Plan.

Feedback from prescribed bodies, stakeholders and members of the public were considered and informed revisions to the draft Secondary Plan, where appropriate.