

**Newspaper Notice
and
Dates of Publication during the week of May 17, 2010**

Newspaper	Date of Publication
King Sentinel	May 19, 2010
King Weekly	May 19, 2010
Vaughan Weekly	May 19, 2010
Toronto Star	May 20, 2010
York Region News Groups	
Era Banner (Newmarket and Aurora)	May 20, 2010
Richmond Hill Liberal	May 20, 2010
Thornhill Liberal	May 20, 2010
Markham Economist Sun	May 20, 2010
Stouffville Sun	May 20, 2010
Georgina Advocate	May 20, 2010

The Regional Municipality of York

Subject:	Amendment 1 to the York Region Official Plan - December 2009	File No.: 19OP-2009-001
	Amendment 2 to the York Region Official Plan - December 2009	File No.: 19OP-2009-002
	Amendment 3 to the York Region Official Plan - December 2009	File No.: 19OP-2009-003
		Date of this Notice: May 17, 2010

Statutory Public Meeting required by the *Planning Act* for
Proposed Amendment 1 - Urban Expansion in the Town of East Gwillimbury
Proposed Amendment 2 - Urban Expansion in the City of Vaughan
Proposed Amendment 3- Urban Expansion in the Town of Markham
all to the York Region Official Plan - December 2009

Statutory Public Meetings

A public meeting in accordance with Section 17 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990 c. P. 13 as amended, to inform the public and receive comments on Proposed Amendments 1, 2 and 3 to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009 is to be held at the following time and place:

June 16, 2010

1:30 p.m. start during the

Planning and Economic Development Committee meeting

Please Note:

There will be one presentation for all three amendments at the beginning of the public meeting, then deputations on Amendments 1, 2 and 3 will be heard sequentially by Amendment number.

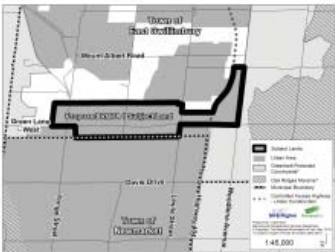
York Region Administrative Centre
17250 Yonge Street
Newmarket, ON, L3Y 6Z1
Committee Room A

Purpose and effect of Amendment 1 to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009 (Urban Expansion in the Town of East Gwillimbury):

This Amendment proposes to expand the urban boundary and designate additional lands in the Town of East Gwillimbury as “Urban Area” to meet Provincial Growth Plan requirements to the year 2031. The lands subject to this Amendment are shown in the key map below.

The changes to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009, being enacted by Proposed Amendment 1 involve designation of the subject lands as “Urban Area” on the following York Region Official Plan Maps:

- Map 1 - Regional Structure
- Map 2 - Regional Greenlands System
- Map 3 - Environmentally Significant Areas and Life Science Areas of Natural and Scientific Interest
- Map 4 - Key Hydrologic Features
- Map 5 - Woodlands
- Map 6 - Wellhead Protection Areas
- Map 8 - Agricultural and Rural Areas
- Map 11 - Transit Network



As well, Proposed Amendment 1 deletes policy 5.1.13 from the Official Plan, deletes the magenta coloured asterisk on Map 1 in East Gwillimbury and deletes the legend references to “Potential Urban Expansions, Location Size and Phasing to be determined”.

Other Planning Applications that may be impacted by Proposed Amendment 1 to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009:

The Town of East Gwillimbury is undertaking an official plan review and will be adopting a new official plan in 2010 which will expand the Urban Area in the Town to be consistent with proposed Amendment 1. Information in regard to the Town of East Gwillimbury Official Plan may be found at www.eastgwillimbury.ca

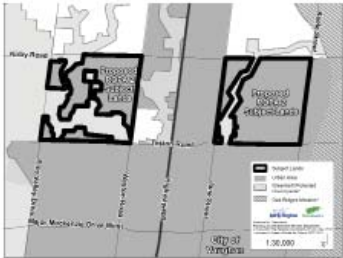
Purpose and effect of Amendment 2 to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009 (Urban Expansion in the City of Vaughan):

This Amendment proposes to expand the urban boundary and designate additional lands in the City of Vaughan as “Urban Area” to meet Provincial Growth Plan requirements to the year 2031. The lands subject to this Amendment are shown in the key map below.

The changes to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009, being enacted by Proposed Amendment 2 involve designation of the subject lands as “Urban Area” on the following York Region Official Plan Maps:

- Map 1 - Regional Structure
- Map 2 - Regional Greenlands System
- Map 3 - Environmentally Significant Areas and Life Science Areas of Natural and Scientific Interest
- Map 4 - Key Hydrologic Features

- Map 5 - Woodlands
- Map 6 - Wellhead Protection Areas
- Map 8 - Agricultural and Rural Areas
- Map 11 - Transit Network



As well, Proposed Amendment 2 deletes the magenta coloured asterisks in the urban expansion areas of the City on Map 1 and deletes the Hamlet designations in the north-east corner of Jane Street and Teston Road and the southeast corner of Kirby Road and Pine Valley Road outside of the Greenbelt Plan on Maps 1 through 6 and Map 8. The Hamlets in these areas will become part of the Urban Area of the Region’s Official Plan.

Other Planning Applications that may be impacted by Proposed Amendment 2 to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009:

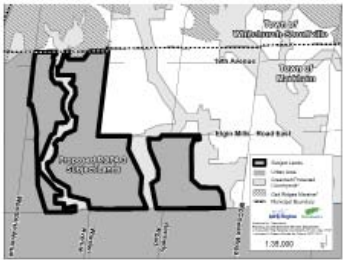
The City of Vaughan is undertaking an official plan review and will be adopting a new official plan in 2010 which will expand the Urban Area in the Town to be consistent with proposed Amendment 2. Information in regard to the City of Vaughan Official Plan can be found at www.vaughan.ca

Purpose and effect of Amendment 3 to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009 (Urban Expansion in the Town of Markham):

This Amendment proposes to expand the urban boundary and designate additional lands in the Town of Markham as “Urban Area” to meet Provincial Growth Plan requirements to the year 2031. The lands subject to this Amendment are shown in the key map below.

The changes to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009, being enacted by Proposed Amendment 3 involve designation of the subject lands as “Urban Area” on the following York Region Official Plan Maps:

- Map 1 - Regional Structure
- Map 2 - Regional Greenlands System
- Map 3 - Environmentally Significant Areas and Life Science Areas of Natural and Scientific Interest
- Map 4 - Key Hydrologic Features
- Map 5 - Woodlands
- Map 6 - Wellhead Protection Areas
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- Map 11 - Transit Network



As well, Proposed Amendment 3 designates both Woodbine Avenue and Warden Avenue from Major Mackenzie Drive, north to 19th Avenue and the proposed Donald Cousens Parkway, respectively to “Regional Transit Priority Network” on Map 11 - Transit Network.

Other Planning Applications that may be impacted by Proposed Amendment 3 to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009:

The Town of Markham has undertaken a growth management review which supports expansion of the Urban Area in the Town to be generally consistent with proposed Amendment 3. Information in regard to the Town of Markham Growth Alternative to 2031 can be found at www.markham.ca

Background to Proposed Amendments 1, 2 and 3 to the York Region Official Plan

In December 2009, Council of the Region of York adopted an updated Official Plan for the Region. Land budget work undertaken by the Region indicates that additional urban land for both employment and for community uses is required in East Gwillimbury, Vaughan and Markham outside of the Greenbelt Plan and the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan. The refined land budget report was endorsed by Council in March, 2010.

The York Region Official Plan - December 2009 is currently before the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for approval. Approval of the York Region Official Plan – December 2009 is expected in July 2010.

After approval of the York Region Official Plan – December 2009, by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Regional Council will be in a position to approve Proposed Amendments 1, 2 and 3 to the York Region Official Plan - December 2009, as described below.

For additional information:

Proposed Amendments 1, 2 and 3 to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009 are available for viewing or downloading on the York Region website www.york.ca by following the Public Notices hotlink on the left side of the home page or by following this link: <http://www.york.ca/Public+Notices/default+public+notices.htm>

Background reports to Proposed Amendments 1, 2 and 3 are available online through the same hotlink.

Hard copies of Proposed Amendments 1, 2 and 3 as well as background information are available for inspection at the York Region Planning and Development Services Department (see address and telephone numbers at the end of this notice) from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on regular business days. Please refer to the Subject information and File No. at the top of this notice.

Please contact Barbara Jeffrey, MCIP, RPP, Manager, Land Use Policy and Environment, at 905 830-4444 extension 1526, email barbara.jeffrey@york.ca for further information.

Please Note:

All efforts have been made to make the meeting location accessible. Should you have specific accommodation requirements in order to fully participate in the public meeting, please contact Dawn Seetaram, 905-830-4444, extension 1570, at least 4 business days in advance.



Approval Process:

Following the public meeting, the Council of The Regional Municipality of York may, if it chooses approve the proposed Amendments and give notice of the decision to approve the proposed Amendments.

Pursuant to Ontario Regulation 525/97, made under the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 c. P. 13, amendments to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009 commenced on or after January 19, 1998, are exempt from the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. Once notice of decision is given, if you have objections to these amendments you may file with the Clerk of The Regional Municipality of York, within the time specified in the notice of decision, a notice of appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board.

NOTE:

1. If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at the public meeting or make written submissions to York Region, before Proposed Amendments 1, 2 and 3 to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009 are adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of The Regional Municipality of York to the Ontario Municipal Board.
2. If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at the public meeting or make written submissions to York Region, before Proposed Amendments 1, 2 and 3 to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009 are adopted, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.
3. If you wish to be notified of the adoption of Proposed Amendments 1, 2 and 3 to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009, you must make a written request to the Clerk of The Regional Municipality of York in care of the address at the end of this notice.
4. If a person or public body does not make a written request to the Clerk of the Region for Notice of Council’s decision regarding the Proposed Amendments 1, 2 and 3 to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009, such Notices may not be provided to them.

Any person may attend the public meeting and/or make oral or written submissions either in support of or in opposition to Proposed Amendments 1, 2 and 3 to the York Region Official Plan – December 2009. Written submissions, referring to the Subject information and File No. at the top of this notice should be made to:

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York Region Administrative Centre
Planning and Development Services Department
17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket, Ontario L3Y 6Z1
Tel: 905 895-1231
Toll Free: 1-877-464-9675
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