

**OFFICIAL PLAN**  
**of the**  
**CITY OF MARKHAM PLANNING AREA**  
**AMENDMENT NO. XX**

To amend the City of Markham Official Plan 1987, as amended,  
and to incorporate Amendment No. XX to the Markham Centre Secondary Plan (PD 33-1)  
for the Central Area Planning District (Planning District No. 33).

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*(May, 2023)*

Please provide date of Council Resolution or Approval - 12/12/2022

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This Official Plan Amendment was adopted by the Corporation of the City of Markham, By-law No. 2023-86 in accordance with the *Planning Act*, R.S.O., 1990 c.P.13, as amended, on the 17th day of May, 2023.

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Kimberley Kitteringham  
City Clerk

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Frank Scarpitti  
Mayor



## By-law 2023-86

Being a by-law to adopt Amendment No. \_\_\_\_\_  
to the City of Markham Official Plan (Revised 1987), as amended

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THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MARKHAM,  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE PLANNING ACT,  
R.S.O., 1990 HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT Amendment No. XXX to the City of Markham Official Plan (Revised 1987), as amended, attached hereto, is hereby adopted.
2. THAT this by-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of the final passing thereof.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS 17th  
DAY OF May, 2023.

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Kimberley Kitteringham  
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## **PART I - INTRODUCTION**

(This is not an operative part of Official Plan Amendment No. **xxxxxxxxxxx**)

## **PART I - INTRODUCTION**

### **1.0 GENERAL**

- 1.1** PART I - INTRODUCTION, is included for information purposes and is not an operative part of this Official Plan Amendment.
- 1.2** PART II - THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT, constitutes Official Plan Amendment No. XXX to the Official Plan (Revised 1987), as amended and is required to enact Amendment No. 13 to the Markham Centre Secondary Plan (PD 33-1) for the Central Area Planning District (Planning District No. 33). Part II is an operative part of this Official Plan Amendment.
- 1.3** PART III - THE SECONDARY PLAN AMENDMENT, including Schedules “A” and “B” attached thereto, constitute Amendment No. 13 to the Markham Centre Secondary Plan (PD 33-1) for the Central Area Planning District (Planning District No. 33). This Secondary Plan Amendment may be identified by the symbol PD 33-1-13. Part III is an operative part of this Official Plan Amendment.

### **2.0 LOCATION**

This Amendment to the Official Plan (the “Amendment”) and to the Markham Centre Secondary Plan (PD 33-1) applies to 2.35 hectares (5.82 acres) of land located south of Cedarland Drive, between Warden Avenue and South Town Centre Boulevard (the “Subject Lands”).

### **3.0 PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Amendment is to amend the Markham Centre Secondary Plan to:

- Incorporate site specific height and density provisions to accommodate the proposed development as shown in Schedules “A” and “B”.

### **4.0 BASIS OF THIS OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT**

This Amendment facilitates the development of the Subject Lands with a high density mixed use development with tower heights ranging from 31 to 46 storeys (the “Proposed Development”).

The Subject Lands are located within Markham Centre, Markham’s urban core, which is identified to accommodate some of the highest concentrations, and mix and intensity of uses and activities in Markham. The Subject Lands are also within the

Cedarland BRT Major Transit Station Area (“MTSA”), which is located on a priority transit corridor as identified on Schedule 5 of the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2019. MTSA’s are part of a regional strategy to align transit with growth and must be planned to achieve minimum specified density targets. The York Region Official Plan 2022 identifies a minimum planned density for the Cedarland BRT MTSA of 300 people and jobs per hectare.

The Proposed Development represents good planning as it makes efficient use of an underutilized parcel of land earmarked for intensification with a range of uses. The Subject Lands are also located within close proximity to existing transit routes and higher order transit stations, and existing and future community amenities such as the future York University, YMCA, schools and parks.

## **PART II - THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT**

(This is an operative part of Official Plan Amendment No. xxxxxxxxxxxxxx)



## **PART II – THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT**

### **1.0 THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT**

- 1.1** Section 1.1.2 of Part II of the Official Plan (Revised 1987), as amended, is hereby amended by the addition of the number **XXX** to the list of amendments, to be placed in numerical order including any required grammatical and punctuation changes.
- 1.2** Section 1.1.3 c) of Part II of the Official Plan (Revised 1987), as amended, is hereby amended by the addition of the number **XXX** to the list of amendments listed in the second sentence of the bullet item dealing with the Markham Centre Secondary Plan (PD-33-1), for the Central Area Planning District (Planning District No. 33), to be placed in numerical order including any required grammatical and punctuation changes prior to the words “to this Plan”.
- 1.3** Section 9.2.16 of Part II of the Official Plan (Revised 1987), as amended, is hereby amended by the addition of the number **XXX** to the list of amendments, to be placed in numerical order including any required grammatical and punctuation changes prior to the words “to this Plan”.
- 1.4** No additional changes to the text or schedules of the Official Plan (Revised 1987), as amended, are being made by this Amendment. This Amendment also incorporates changes to the text of the Markham Centre Secondary Plan (PD 33-1) for the Central Area Planning District (Planning District No. 33). These changes are outlined in Part III which comprises Amendment No. 13 to the Markham Centre Secondary Plan (PD 33-1).

### **2.0 IMPLEMENTATION AND INTERPRETATION**

The provisions of the Official Plan, as amended, regarding the implementation and interpretation of the Plan, shall apply in regard to this Amendment, except as specifically provided for in this Amendment.

This Amendment shall be implemented by an amendment to the Zoning By-law and Site Plan approval and other *Planning Act* approvals, in conformity with the provisions of this Amendment.

Prior to Council’s decision becoming final, this Amendment may be modified to incorporate technical amendments to the text and associated figure(s) and schedule(s). Technical amendments are those minor changes that do not affect the

policy or intent of the Amendment. For such technical amendments, the notice provisions of Section 7.13(c) of Part II of the Official Plan (Revised 1987), as amended, shall not apply.

**PART III - THE SECONDARY PLAN AMENDMENT (PD 33-1-13)**

(This is an operative part of Official Plan Amendment No. XXX)

## **PART III - THE SECONDARY PLAN AMENDMENT (PD 33-1-13)**

### **1.0 THE SECONDARY PLAN AMENDMENT**

(Amendment No. 13 to the Markham Centre Secondary Plan PD 33-1)

The Markham Centre Secondary Plan PD 33-1 for the Central Area Planning District is hereby amended as follows:

1.1. Schedule 'DD' - COMMUNITY STRUCTURE PLAN, is amended by deleting and adding the following from Areas 1 and 2 on the Subject Lands as shown on Schedule "A" attached hereto:

- i) Deleting an 8 storey maximum building height and adding a 34 storey maximum building height in Area 1; and
- ii) Deleting an 8 storey maximum building height and adding a 46 storey maximum building height in Area 2.

1.2. By adding the following new subsection to Section 4.3.2.3 and by adding Figure 33-1-13 as shown on Schedule "B" attached hereto, to be appropriately identified on the first page following Section 4.3.2.3 t):

"t) The following additional provisions shall apply to the lands designated "Community Amenity Area - Major Urban Place", located south of Cedarland Drive, between Warden Avenue and South Town Centre Boulevard (the "Subject Lands"), as shown on Figure 33-1-13:

- i) In Area 1:
  - a. The maximum height of buildings shall be 34 storeys.
  - b. The maximum density shall be 8.61 FSI.
- ii) In Area 2:
  - a. The maximum height of buildings shall be 46 storeys.
  - b. The maximum density shall be 10.2 FSI.
- iii) A precinct plan shall not be required in Areas 1 and 2.

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Prior to Council's decision becoming final, this Amendment may be modified to incorporate technical amendments to the text and schedule(s). Technical amendments are those minor changes that do not affect the policy or intent of the Amendment. For such technical amendments, the notice provisions of Section 7.13(c) of Part II of the Official Plan (Revised 1987), as amended, shall not apply.