

Notice of Compliance Audit Committee Meeting

2022 Markham Municipal Election



To: Lin Zhang,

This is to notify you that a meeting of the York Region Joint Compliance Audit Committee has been scheduled for **Thursday, June 15, 2023, at 6:00 PM**, to address the campaign contributions you appear to have made to candidates in the 2022 Markham Municipal Election.

Under the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, it is illegal to donate more than \$1,200 to any one candidate, or more than \$5,000 total to multiple candidates running for office on the same municipal council or school board. Based on post-election financial statements filed by candidates in the 2022 Markham Municipal Election, it appears that you exceeded the law's \$5,000 total limit in donations to Markham City Council candidates.

Name	Address	Receiving Candidate	Contribution Amount (\$)	Contribution Date
Lin Zhang	98 Gordon Road, North York	Neetu Gupta	\$1,000.00	2022/09/29
Lin Zhang	98 Gordon Road, North York	Joe Li	\$1,000.00	2022/09/26
Lin Zhang	98 Gordon Road, North York	Michael Chan	\$1,200.00	2022/10/03
Lin Zhang	98 Gordon Road, North York	Isa Lee	\$1,200.00	2022/10/03
Lin Zhang	98 Gordon Road, North York	Alan Ho	\$1,200.00	2022/06/01

Total reported contributions: \$5,600.00

At this meeting, the York Region Joint Compliance Committee will consider this information and decide whether to recommend that legal action be taken against you.

This meeting will be held in a hybrid format with both in-person and electronic participation options. Please note that this meeting will be recorded and posted online on ElectionsMarkham.ca. You are invited to:

- Attend this meeting (electronically or in person) and make a statement to the Committee (or have an authorized agent do this for you); and,
- Submit a written statement to the Committee (this will be included in the meeting agenda if received by **Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 5:00 PM**).

Please note that if you don't make any representations at this meeting, the Committee will still proceed in your absence to consider and render a decision on this matter involving you.

How to attend:

Online by video-conference

ElectionsMarkham.ca/AuditCommitteeJune152023

In-person

Markham Civic Centre (Council Chamber)
101 Town Centre Boulevard
Markham, Ontario L3R 9W3

If you would like to submit a written statement to the Committee or have questions, please contact Hristina Giantsopoulos, Election and Committee Coordinator (HGiantsopoulos@markham.ca or 416.388.7510) or Erica Alligood, Election and Committee Coordinator (EAlligood@markham.ca or 647-407-8204).

Sincerely,



Kimberley Kitteringham

City Clerk and Returning Officer
Elections Markham (City of Markham)

Enclosed document(s):

- Report to York Region Joint Compliance Audit Committee (May 18, 2023)
Over-Contribution in 2022 Markham Municipal Election: Lin Zhang