

# **Building Faster Fund and Development**Tracking

Development Services Committee October 17, 2023





### Background

- Province of Ontario's three-year \$1,2 billion fund at up to 400 million per year to municipalities committed to Housing Pledge
- Funding anticipated to start in 2024-2025 based on performance in 2023
- Share of the \$400 million annual allocation will be based on a municipality's target share of the overall goal of 1.5 million homes on Ontario by 2031
- Municipalities that achieve 80% of their target will receive funding
- For 2023 province-wide target of 110,000 new housing starts





#### Markham's Funding Allocation

| Provincial Guidelines and Interpretation for Markham's Funding Share |                               |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Markham's Housing Pledge (Council approved)                          | 44,000 new homes by 2031      |
| Province-wide Housing Target by 2031                                 | 1.5 million new homes by 2031 |
| Markham's share  | 2.93%                         |
| Provincial-wide Funding (each of 2023, 2024, 2025)                   | \$400,000,000                 |
| Markham's share of funding (each of 2023, 2024, 2025)                | \$11,733,333                  |



# Markham's Potential Housing Target

Option 2 is recommended

|  | 2023  |
|--|-------|
| Option 1                                       | Units |
| Markham Potential Annual Target for New        |       |
| Units until Province Assigns - from Housing    |       |
| Pledge   | 4,400 |
| 80% of Target to be Eligible for \$9,386,666   | 3,520 |
| 90% of Target to be Eligible for \$10,560,000  | 3,960 |
| 105% of Target to be Eligible for \$12,906,666 | 4,620 |
| 110% of Target to be Eligible for \$14,080,000 | 4,840 |

| Option 2                                       | 2023<br>Units |
|--|---------------|
| Markham Potential Annual Target for New        |               |
| Units until Province Assigns - from Provincial |               |
| 110,000 new housing starts target              | 3,226         |
| 80% of Target to be Eligible for \$9,386,666   | 2,581         |
| 90% of Target to be Eligible for \$10,560,000  | 2,903         |
| 105% of Target to be Eligible for \$12,906,666 | 3,387         |
| 110% of Target to be Eligible for \$14,080,000 | 3,549         |





## Housing Target Measurement & 2023 Funding Forecast

- Site plan approval and subdivision agreements
- Building permit application
- Building permit issuance (Recommend option)

|                                      |          |               | 2023 Funding Allocation Forecast |                    |
|--------------------------------------|----------|---------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
|                                      |          |               |                                  | Option 2 -         |
|                                      |          |               | Option 1 -                       | Atleast 80% Target |
|                                      |          |               | Atleast 80%                      | Achieved -         |
|                                      | JanSept. |               | Target Achieved -                | Provincial Housing |
| Housing Units                        | 2023     | 2023 Forecast | Housing Pledge                   | Starts             |
|                                      |          |               |                                  | Yes - 86% at       |
|                                      |          |               | No funding - at                  | \$10.11 million    |
| Site Plan Approvals & Subdivision    |          |               | least 3,520 units                | with 2,780 units   |
| Agreements                           | 2,124    | Approx. 2,780 | not achieved                     | achieved           |
|                                      |          |               |                                  |                    |
|                                      |          |               | No funding - at                  | No funding - at    |
|                                      |          |               | least 3,520 units                | least 2,581 units  |
| Markham Building Permit Applications | 2,087    | Approx 2,300  | not achieved                     | not achieved       |
|                                      |          |               |                                  | Yes - 88% at       |
|                                      |          |               | No funding - at                  | \$10.33 million    |
|                                      |          |               | least 3,520 units                | with 2,840 units   |
| Markham Building Permit Issuances    | 1,905    | Approx. 2,840 | not achieved                     | achieved           |





#### Markham Development Process and Policy Initiatives

| Development Process Improvements   | Municipal Policy Initiatives  |
|--|---|
| <ul> <li>Lean Review of the Development<br/>Process</li> <li>ePLAN Project Dox Update</li> <li>ePLAN Application Portal Update</li> <li>3D Model</li> <li>Development Application Viewer for<br/>the Public</li> <li>Standard Terms of Reference</li> <li>Bill 109/23 Process Changes</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Official Plan Review</li> <li>Comprehensive Zoning By-law Update</li> <li>Secondary Plans</li> </ul> |



## **Next Steps**

- That Council participate in the Building Faster Fund and the Report be forwarded to the Minister and York Region
- Staff continue discussions with the Province to determine appropriate housing target and measurement to track the target
- Staff to report back to Development Services Committee once it is confirmed the amount of funding Markham is eligible to receive