

Introduction to the City of Markham

Presentation to General Committee

December 10, 2018

Agenda

1. Markham & York Region Governance Overview
2. Roles & Responsibilities
3. Standing & Advisory Committees
4. Contact Centre
5. Conclusion & Questions

1. Markham & York Region Governance Overview

- The City of Markham is the largest of 9 local municipalities within the Regional Municipality of York (York Region).
- Markham is one of the fastest growing municipalities in York Region.
- Population 348,380 (2017) - by 2031 (York Region projection) 421,600.



1. Markham & York Region Governance Overview *cont'd*

- Markham City Council is comprised of 13 elected officials:
 - Mayor
 - 4 Regional Councillors
 - 8 Ward Councillors
- Council establishes policy and service standards and is the decision-making body for the Corporation.



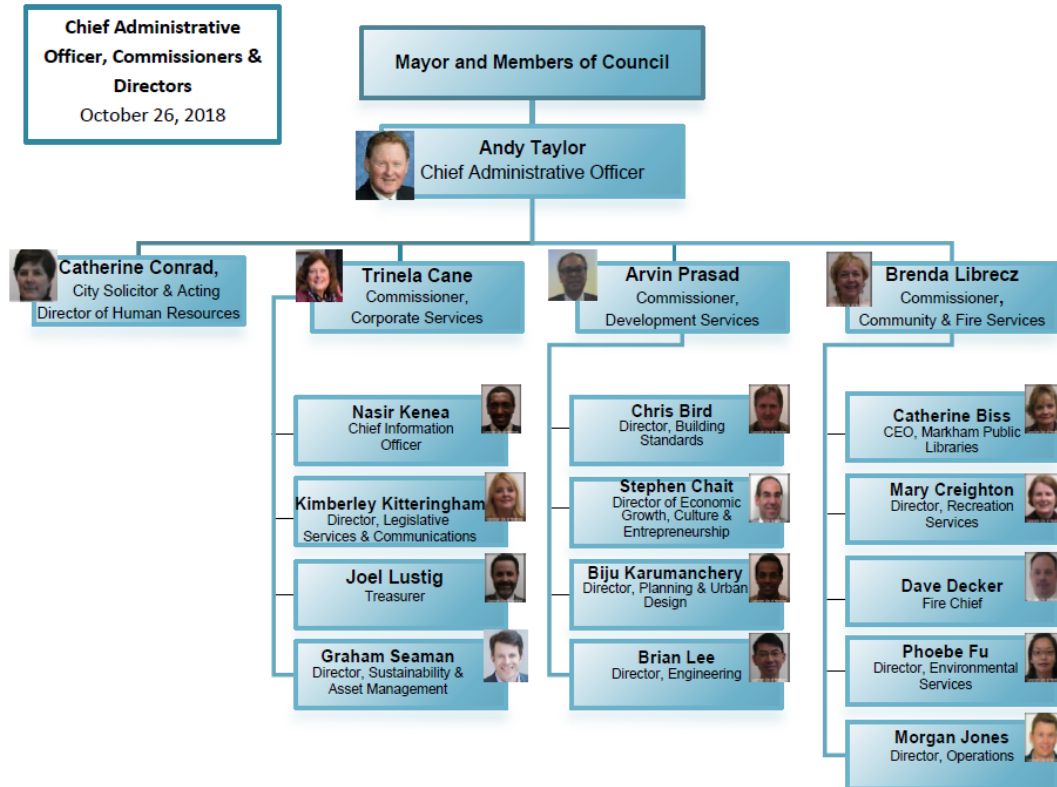
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Responsibilities:

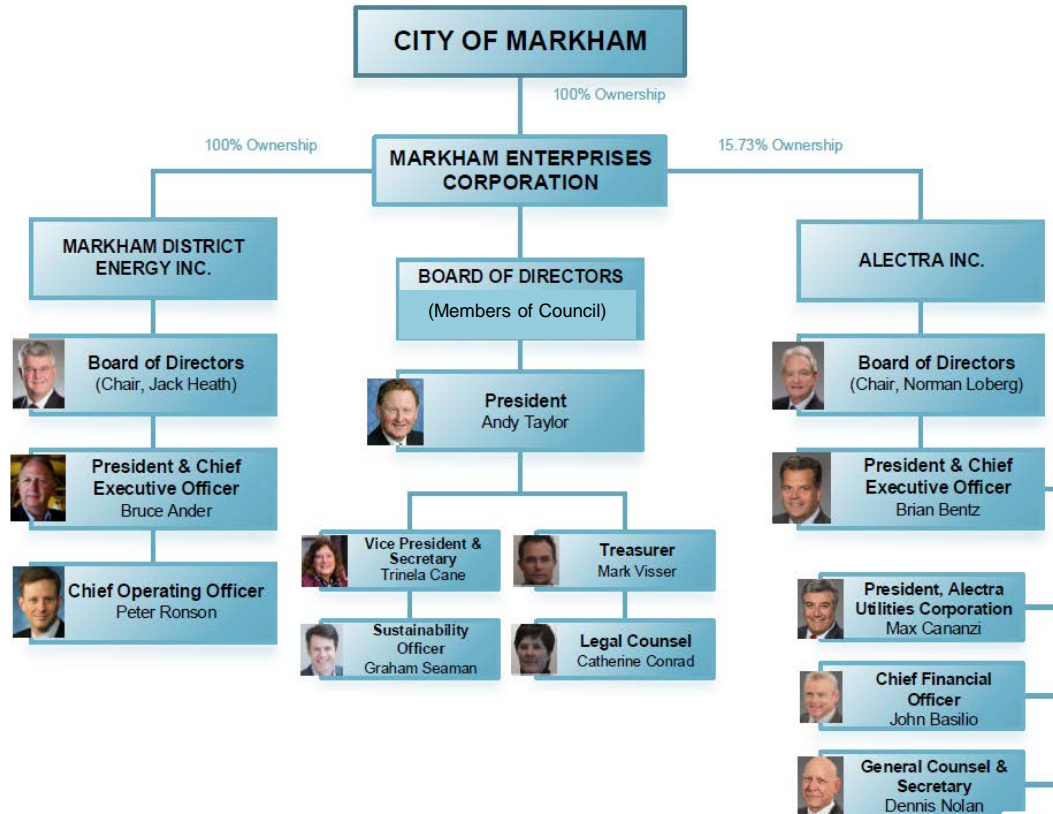


- Parks & Pathways
- Water Systems
- Roads
- Fire Prevention
- Libraries
- Local Council & School Board Elections
- Planning
- Building Permits
- Recreation
- Waste Management
- Snow Removal
- Parking

1. Markham & York Region Governance Overview *cont'd*

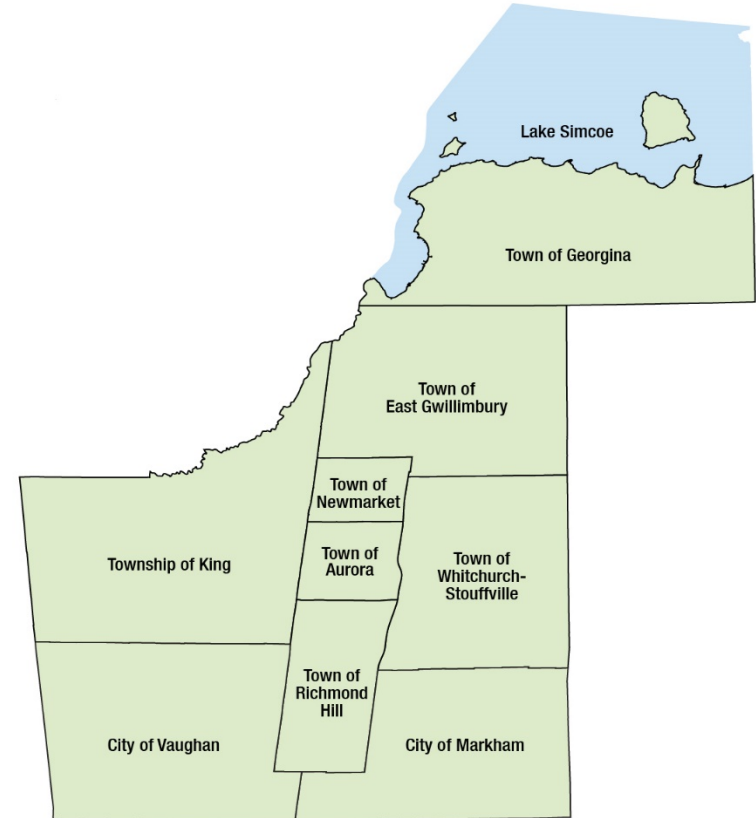


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- York Regional Council consists of 21 members.
- YR Council sets policies, direction and budget for all of York Region.
- Most of YR Council's work is done through standing committees & task forces.



2. Roles & Responsibilities: Council

- Represent the public and consider the well-being of the City;
- Develop policies, establish service standards and programs;
- Ensure accountability and transparency of the operations of the City;
- Ensure accountability and financial integrity of the City.

2. Roles & Responsibilities: Mayor

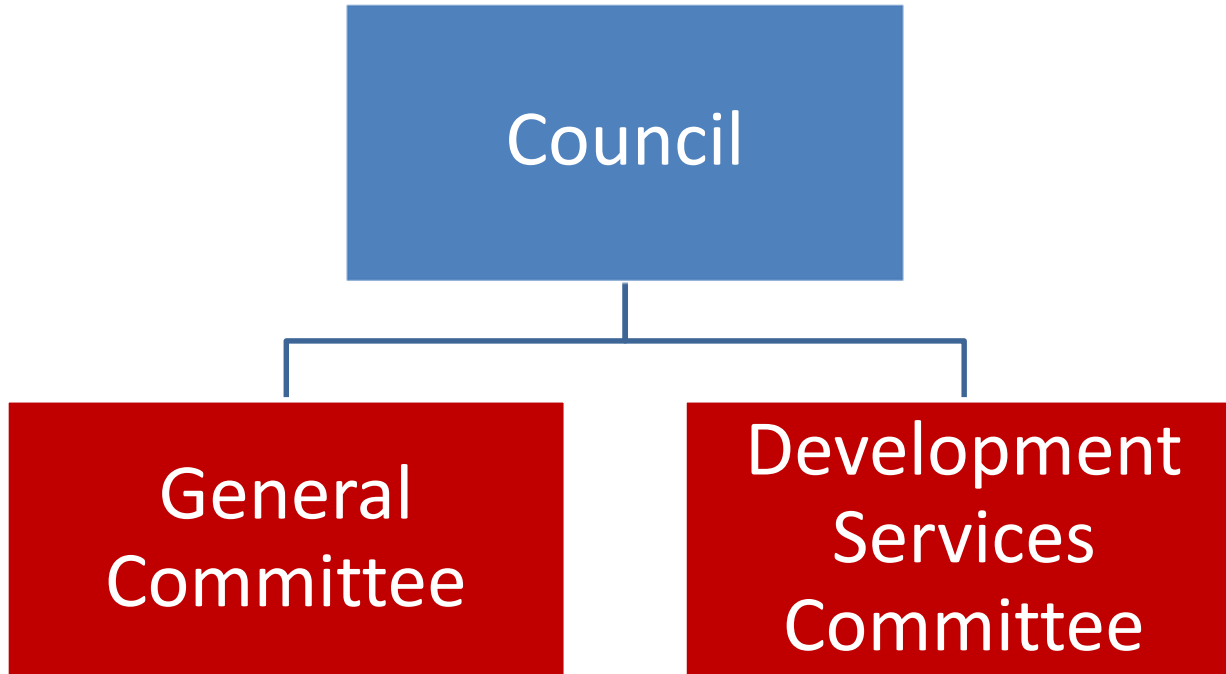
- Act as Chief Executive Officer of the City;
- Preside over Council meetings to ensure business is carried out efficiently & effectively;
- Provide leadership to Council; and,
- Represent the City at official functions.

2. Roles & Responsibilities: Staff

- Implement Council's decisions, establish administrative practices and procedures to carry out Council's decisions, and provide established services to the public;
- Undertake research, provide advice to Council on the policies and programs of the City; and,
- Carry out other duties required under legislation and other duties assigned by the Council.



3. Council & Standing Committees



3. Council & Standing Committees *cont'd*

General Committee considers matters relating to:

1. Financial & Administrative Issues
2. Community Services Issues
3. Environment & Sustainability Issues
4. Building, Parks, & Construction Issues



3. Council & Standing Committees *cont'd*

General Committee

Appointment Committee

Budget Subcommittee

Environmental Issues Committee

Markham Sports Hall of Fame Committee

Mayor's Youth Council

Public Library Board

Seniors Advisory Committee

York University Subcommittee

3. Council & Standing Committees *cont'd*

Development Services Committee considers matters related to:

1. Planning – Development & Policy
2. Engineering – Transportation & Infrastructure
3. Culture & Economic Development

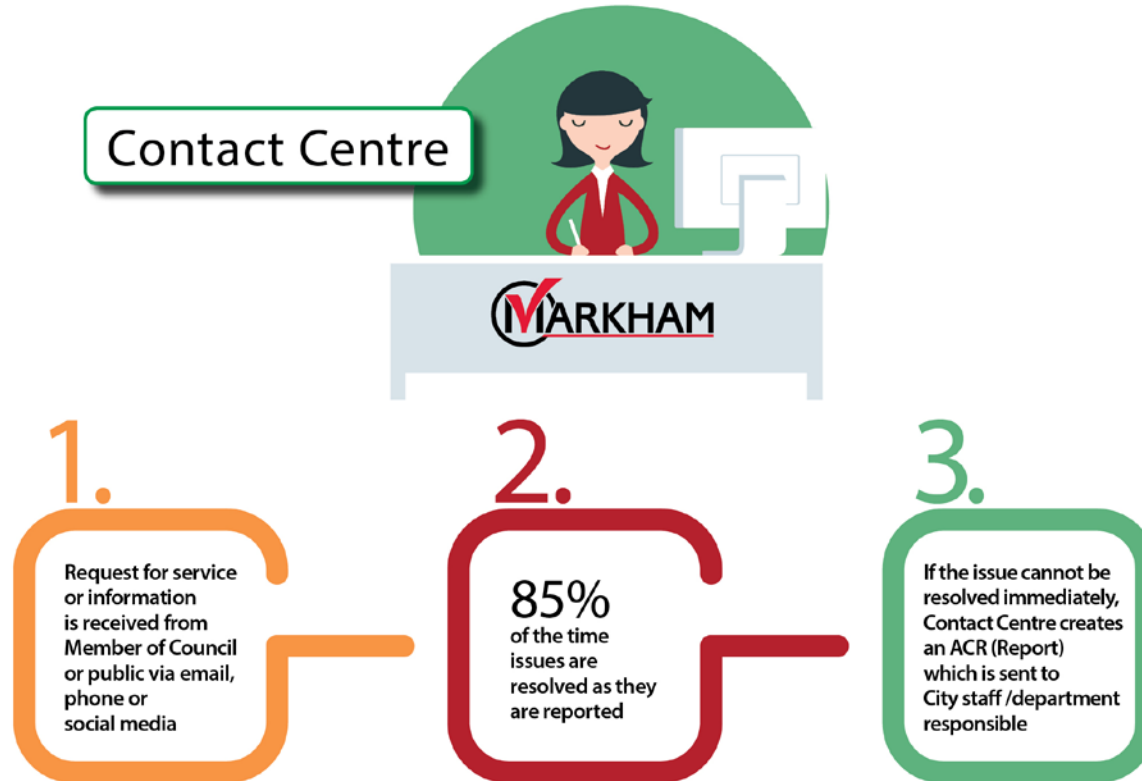
3. Council & Standing Committees *cont'd*

Development Services Committee

Markham Subcommittee
Milliken Mills Subcommittee
Thornhill Subcommittee
Unionville Subcommittee
Heritage Committee
Cycling & Pedestrian Advisory Committee
Flato Markham Theatre Advisory
Committee
Friends of Markham Museum Board
Varley-McKay Art Foundation of Markham



3. Contact Centre



Conclusion

- The following sources of information on the roles, requirements and relations of local government will help you fulfil your duties:
 - The Municipal Act (Sections 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229)
 - The Planning Act
 - The Municipal Councillors Guide 2014 (produced by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing)
 - Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
 - Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

Questions?