

## MARKHAM 2020 UPDATE ON MARKHAM'S ECONOMIC STRATEGY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MARCH 20, 2012 12:00 PM CANADA ROOM

## **Attendance**

Deputy Mayor Jack Heath
Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Regional Councillor Joe Li
Councillor Valerie Burke
Councillor Howard Shore
Councillor Don Hamilton
Councillor Carolina Moretti
Councillor Colin Campbell
Councillor Alan Ho
Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Councillor Alex Chiu

Jim Baird, Commissioner Development Services Brenda Librecz, Commissioner of Community Services Stephen Chait, Director, Economic Development Rino Mostacci, Director of Planning and Urban Design Don Taylor, Manager Executive Operations Meg West, Manager Strategic Initiatives Kitty Bavington, Council/Committee Coordinator

Regrets

Mayor Frank Scarpitti
Regional Councillor Gord Landon

The Update on Markham's Economic Strategy, "Markham 2020" Workshop convened at 12:00 PM with Councillor Carolina Moretti as Chair.

**DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST - None disclosed.** 

## 1. UPDATE ON MARKHAM'S ECONOMIC STRATEGY "MARKHAM 2020" WORKSHOP

Stephen Chait, Director, Economic Development, gave a presentation on Markham's economic strategy, outlining the Mission Statement, Markham's award-winning strategy, objectives, implementation, service/program delivery results, and key performance indicators (KPI's). Other notable achievements and planned actions for 2013-14 were reviewed.

The Committee had several questions and comments regarding the source of the statistics; the significance of Networked Markham in relation to Markham being known as the High Tech Capital; the potential of a University or College being established in Markham; the direction of growth in relation to the Yonge Street subway; growth potential derived from MISTA; and future business missions to other countries.

The Committee emphasised the importance of job creation in east Markham, and of encouraging green industries.

Moved by: Councillor Colin Campbell Seconded by: Councillor Alan Ho

That the Workshop presentation by Stephen Chait, Director of Economic Development regarding Markham's Economic Strategy, "Markham 2020" be received.

**CARRIED** 

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Update on Markham's Economic Strategy, "Markham 2020" Workshop adjourned at 1:05 PM.