



2018 Firefighter Memorial Council Update

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FIREFIGHTER MEMORIAL

Firefighter memorial sites are situated throughout the world to recognize those that die in the line of duty.

Within Canada there is a Federal Fallen Firefighter memorial in Ottawa, Provincial Firefighter memorial in Toronto and many municipal Firefighter memorials located across the country.







MARKHAM FIREFIGHTER MEMORIAL

The Council approved Veterans Square project included within the plan a location for a firefighter memorial.

The memorial will serve to recognize those that have died as a result of being a firefighter and function as an everlasting tribute to firefighters that have served the public to protect them from harm.









Partnership

City of Markham:

Provision of the public space and landscaping/hard surface within Veteran's Square.

Donors:

The Markham Professional Firefighters Association and a private donor commissioned and created the bronze memorial and the plinth that will hold the memorial.







Memorial



Represents traditions within the fire service. It is a grouping of firefighter's personal firefighting gear worn by all women and men called to a fire -- boots, coat, helmet, and gloves –resting on top of the fire hose. These collectively placed in this matter are the symbols of respect for those who have fallen.



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Next Steps

- 1. That Council accepts the donation from the MPFFA with thanks.
- 2. That the Commissioner of Community & Fire Services reports back on the process for induction of firefighters and related protocols and policies undertaken collaboratively by both the MPFFA and the City.
- 3. That the Council subcommittee of the Land, Buildings & Parks Committee work with staff on the final site details in order to have the project completed by the end of the summer with the official unveiling in the fall.









Questions



