

# By-law 2017-151

A by-law establishing schedules of retention periods for all records kept by the City of Markham

WHEREAS, Section 254 of the *Municipal Act*, as amended, provides that the Council of a Municipality shall retain and preserve its records in a secure and accessible manner and establish retention periods during which the records must be kept by the Municipality;

Now therefore the Council of The Corporation of the City of Markham hereby enacts as follows:

- 1. The retention periods for all records as stipulated in the table attached hereto as Schedule A and forming part of this by-law, are hereby adopted.
- 2. Any of the records set out in Schedule A, may be destroyed after the prescribed retention period for each record has expired.
- 3. That By-law 2001-101 as amended is hereby repealed.

Read a first, second, and third time and passed on December 12, 2017.

Kimberley Kitteringham

City Clerk

Frank Scarpitt

Mayor

## **CLASSIFICATION STRUCTURE AND RETENTION BY-LAW**

#### **OVERVIEW**

The records classification and retention structure is a valuable tool to manage the records and information created or received by the City of Markham and as such, it is an important strategic business resource. The systematic application of managing information through a classification structure allows for the control of information assets throughout its lifecycle – from cradle to grave. By consistently identifying information, regardless of where it is held, the structure removes barriers to access (assuming appropriate permissions) while also protecting privacy and allows information to be available in a timely fashion to those who need it. This access is essential for supporting decision-making and sharing the knowledge developed through collaboration efforts. Such a system also supports accountability and good governance, protects personal and confidential information, captures and preserves the corporate memory and the history of the City of Markham while improving organization efficiencies and mitigating risk.

The City of Markham's Classification and Retention By-law is the official policy for the management of records at the City. It provides staff with the authority to manage records in accordance with relevant policies, legislation and regulations. The City of Markham has adopted the International Organization of Standards (ISO 15489) standard of a functionally based classification structure to provide a hierarchical framework for the organization and description of records. The structure is based on the content of the document and applies to all records, regardless of whether they are in paper, digital, image, audio or video format. Each classification category is accompanied by a retention timeframe that reflects applicable legislation and business need. The main reasons for a functional approach are as follows:

- Eliminates duplication of records because all records related to a specific function are grouped together rather than split up among departments. For example, all agreements and contracts would be under the function of LEGAL, LICENSING & PERMITS:
- Provides integrity and thus reliability when searching for information within the central repository because all "like" things are filed together rather than "classified" under different departments;
- Business functions are independent of organizational structure. Changes in organizational structure do not affect the classification scheme.
   It doesn't have to be "re-invented";
- Department names are forever changing, but functions remain constant;
- · Reduces silos of information.

The functions of the City of Markham are as follows:

Administration
Asset Management and Maintenance
Communication, Promotion & External Relations
Employee Management
Environment, Sustainability & Safety
Financial Management

Governance
Information Technology
Legal, Licensing and Permits
Planning, Development and Building
Project Management
Recreation and Cultural Services

## **DEFINITIONS**

#### **RECORD**

The International Organization for Standardization (ISO) defines a record as "recorded information in whatever physical format created, collected or received in the initiation, conduct or completion of an activity which has content, context and structure, is authoritative and reliable and provides evidence of decision-making". Records can include books, papers, maps, electronic documents, digital, video, voice recordings, web pages, etc.

**TRANSITORY RECORD** is useful for only a short time and has minor importance. When its use is over it should be deleted or destroyed. A transitory record can be destroyed at any time before the retention period of the original document as the official or original document is held by the originator/primary area of accountability and subject to the approved retention period. Examples of transitory records include the following:

- personal messages
- general notices and announcements
- copies of documents and emails
- cc, bcc, or FYI emails kept only for convenience
- drafts and working documents to prepare final records with a few exceptions such as agreements/contracts, drafts in developing legislation.

**NON-RECORD** has no bearing on the organization's functions, operations, or mandate. A non-record may be a general distribution item, reference book, published legislation from other municipalities or government agencies or extra copy/convenience copy. A non-record is typically used, if ever, only for a very limited period of time. It does not have to be collected and maintained. This document is not required to be retained and therefore does not appear on a records retention by-law.

When applying the retention by-law to the City of Markham records, the above definitions of a record, transitory and non-record, determine what should be classified and focus on core business documents generated by the originator or the primary area of accountability.

However, notwithstanding the above definition of a transitory record, it is recommended that convenience copies and drafts be subject to classification rather than building up and taking up space on the server.

# Convenience Copies

- Convenience copies are, by definition, not considered records. However, recent legal actions have drawn attention to the use of convenience
  copies for purposes of evidence or discovery. Incidents have occurred where primary documents have been destroyed as per established
  retention by-law but convenience copies still existed in the organization. These copies have been deemed to be official and subject to discovery
  or legal proceedings. Given these legal implications it is important for the City of Markham, if required, to classify convenience copies and ensure
  they are tracked and destroyed or disposed of no later than the retention period of the original document.
- Convenience copy holders are encouraged to destroy these copies on a regular basis. Convenience copies can be destroyed at any time before
  the retention period of the original document as the official or original document is held by the originator/primary area of accountability and subject
  to the approved retention period. A convenience copy cannot be held longer than the original document's retention period. Convenience copies
  cannot be sent to off-site storage. Only the original document from the originator / primary office of accountability identified on the retention bylaw will be sent to off-site storage, as applicable, and in accordance with the retention by-law.

## **DEFINITIONS OF TABLE HEADINGS**

#### RECORD SERIES AND FILING METHODOLOGY

Record series are defined as a group of related records that have the same form and function, are filed as a unit and are maintained together for retention scheduling purposes. Record series are destroyed as a unit when the retention period is up unless there is a litigation or audit hold on the record series. The record series are grouped into broad organizational functions, then by the activities that take place within each function. Activities are created based on the roles and responsibilities of staff who partake within that activity. Within each activity are the records that are created through that activity – it is the evidence of a business transaction – these are the record series where retention is applied. The types of documentation found in each record series are described in what is referred to as a scope note.

#### **ACCOUNTABILITY**

This classification scheme identifies the Office of Accountability – the business unit or department who is accountable for ensuring that the official record is managed throughout its lifecycle. This is the business area that has primary interest or ownership of the records. They are considered to be the official holder of the original records. When accountability refers to the "originator" it applies if all departments in the City are involved in creating and saving records for that record series. There is no one department accountable. Everyone is accountable for their own records.

#### RETENTION

The column labelled "**Total Retention**" specifies the length of time records must be kept. An event such as the termination of an agreement or project close may be used to indicate when the retention calculation begins. Retention periods are reviewed and approved by the Office of Accountability, Legal and Clerk's authority.

#### DISPOSITION

The column labelled "**Disposition**" refers to how the records are disposed of at the end of their lifecycle. Once the records have reached the end of their total retention period they may be totally destroyed/expunged, or all or part of the record series may be designated as archival selection or archival which means the entire record series is kept for future generations. Records identified in the classification structure and retention by-law can only be destroyed/disposed of in accordance with the City of Markham's records destruction procedures and in conjunction with approval from Legal and Clerks. All destroyed records should be documented by a certificate of destruction as proof of final disposition. The certificate of destruction is a permanent document to prove destruction took place, what records were destroyed and when they were destroyed.

#### SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

In order to protect the confidentiality, integrity and availability of the City of Markham's data, each record series is assigned a security classification, being public, internal or confidential. (See legend for definitions –pg.4)

#### CITATIONS AND COMMENTS

The Citation/Comments column provides the cross-reference identifier to the legislative citations that are recommended as applicable for each category of records. FED refers to the Federal legislation and ONT refers to Ontario legislation.

#### LEGEND FOR RETENTION TERMS

Code	Definition	
A	Archival	Record Series which has been assessed to have historic significance. Archival documents are retained for 10 years at which point they are appraised again for historic importance and possibly archived for another 10 years. Every 10 years they are reviewed for historical significance. For electronic records they are reviewed to determine if these will continue to be migrated.
AS	Archival Selection Before Destruction	Refers to reviewing the records series before destruction to see whether they have historic significance prior to destruction. This is different from archival because in the case of an archival designation the entire records series is kept for posterity, whereas, in archival selection before destruction, records are "selected" for potential historic significance. The entire record series is not kept.
CY	Current Year	Refers to January 1st to December 31st.
FY	Current Fiscal Year	Refers to January 1st to December 31st. NOTE: City of Markham's fiscal year is the same as the calendar year. However for financial information, most times, the retention is referred to as fiscal year.
D	Destroy	Requires that upon expiration of the retention period the document is destroyed – shredded, recycled, deleted (expunged).
S/O	Superseded or Obsolete	Refers to the replacement of a document once it has been updated or revised. The new document supersedes the previous version.
T/E	Event Trigger for termination or close of an event or activity	Refers to a record being retained until it has been closed or terminated, typically used for case-based or project records where the retention refers to the case being closed or the transaction being completed. For example, this retention applies to an employee file and is triggered at the point at which the employee leaves the organization. These records are usually maintained until the case or transaction or employee record is closed/terminated plus a pre-defined number of years, e.g. T/E+3 means retained until the case is closed plus 3 more years.
PIB	Personal Information Bank	Refers to records of individuals who are identifiable by home address, phone number, SIN#, OHIP#, etc. This information is protected under the MFIPPA legislation.
Р	Permanent	Refers to records that are typically covered by legislation such as by-laws, council and statutory committee meetings or retained until the City of Markham ceases to exist as a municipality.

## **SECURITY CLASSIFICATION LEVELS**

**Public**: This classification applies to information in the public domain. The information is fit for distribution via public channels such as email and websites. Disclosure of *Public* information is not expected to adversely impact the City of Markham, its employees, its stakeholders, its business partners, and/or its customers.

**Internal:** This classification applies to general information intended or appropriate for any internal audience or a restricted external audience such as stakeholders. Internal access is unrestricted, but external access is based on a business need-to know basis.

**Confidential:** This classification applies to the most sensitive business information that is intended for a limited audience. Its unauthorized disclosure could seriously and adversely impact the City of Markham, its employees, its stakeholders, its business partners, and/or its customers. Records, which are designated as confidential, are accessible only by a defined sub-group of the City of Markham. Access permissions may be given to staff based on their membership to a specific group or individually as City of Markham management deems appropriate.

# **SUMMARY OF CITY OF MARKHAM FUNCTIONS/ ACTIVITIES & RECORD SERIES**

ADMINISTRATION	ASSET MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE	COMMUNICATION, PROMOTION & EXTERNAL RELATIONS	EMPLOYEE MANAGEMENT	ENVIRONMENT, SUSTAINABILITY & SAFETY	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
ADMINISTRATION	MANAGEMENT & MAINTENANCE- FIXED	MEDIA & PUBLIC RELATIONS	ORGANIZATION & POSITION MANAGEMENT	ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING & PROTECTION	CITY REVENUES ADMINISTRATION
Administrative     Records – Office     Administration     Research &     Reference Materials     Templates & Forms –     Blank     Meetings &     Committees – Internal	ASSETS  Asset Register Asset Lifecycle Reserve As-Built & Infrastructure Drawings Approved Infrastructure & Equipment Uniform Management Construction or Renovation – Municipal Owned Buildings Facilities/Property Security Administration Recordings-Security Closed Circuit Recordings Facilities/Building Operations & Maintenance Work Orders Service & Repair Requests  FLEET/VEHICLE MAINTENANCE  Fleet/Vehicle History & Maintenance Records	Backgrounders & Briefing Notes Complaints, Commendations, Issues from residents General Enquiries Media Relations Media Coverage about the City of Markham Photographs — Programs, Events, and Promotions Presentations and Speeches  GRAPHIC DESIGN/PUBLICATIONS/WEBSITE CREATION & COORDINATION  Corporate Identity Promotional/Publications Material & Information Packages - FINAL Promotional/Publications Material & Information Packages Production & Distribution Web/Social Media Analytics	Job Descriptions     Organization Charts     Restructuring –     Organizational Changes      RECRUITMENT &     SELECTION      Recruitment & Staff     Selection     Volunteer Management      STAFF MANAGEMENT      Employee Employment     Records     Employee Medical     Records     Employee Recognition     Program     Employee Surveys     Workforce/talent     Management     Time & Attendance     Reporting     Workplace Safety &     Insurance Board (WSIB)     & Disability Management  COMPENSATION & BENEFIT ADMINISTRATION      Employee Compensation     Employee Benefit     Programs	Environmental Applications & Approvals     Environmental Assessments & Studies     Environmental Monitoring & Control     Pesticide/Herbicide Application     Pollution & Control     Weather Monitoring      CONSERVATION & SUSTAINBILITY     Energy Conservation and Sustainability Programs     Water Conservation and Sustainability Programs     Waste Management  WATER & WASTEWATER PROTECTION & COMPLIANCE      Drinking Water Quality Management Standard (DWQMS)     Water/Wastewater Laboratory Services     Waste Wastewater Collection Operations     Wastewater Collection Operations	Accounts Receivable Processing     Cash Receipts     Development Charges     Grants to City      MUNICIPAL TAX ADMINISTRATION      Tax Billing – Municipal     Tax Account Auto Pay Documentation     Tax Certificates – Municipal     Assessment Rolls     Property Tax Assessment & Levy Adjustments & Appeals     Tax Appeals by City     Property Tax: Charity & Vacancy Rebates     Tax Account – General Administration  WATER ACCOUNT ADMINISTRATION  Water Billings     Water Account Auto Pay Documentation     Water Certificates – Municipal     Water Collections     Water Account – General Administration  Water Account – General Administration

ADMINISTRATION	ASSET MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE	COMMUNICATION, PROMOTION & EXTERNAL RELATIONS	EMPLOYEE MANAGEMENT	ENVIRONMENT, SUSTAINABILITY & SAFETY	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
	LINEAR INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT  • Linear Asset Design/ Planning/ Reconstruction • Maintenance & Repairs • Utility Location Records  PARKS/TREES MANAGEMENT  • Parks Maintenance Files • Tree Inventory • Tree Inspections	EVENTS/COMMUNITY OUTREACH  • Event Arrangements & Logistics – Corporate, Employee or Community/Outreach  BUSINESS & STAKEHOLDER RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT  • External Sector Organizations & Associations • Business Contacts & Directories • Business Attraction/Retention/ Expansion Management • Economic Research • Sponsorship & Partnership Relations	Employee Benefit Programs (Fire Fighters)     Pay Equity  TRAINING & SKILLS DEVELOPMENT      Employee Orientation & Onboarding     Learning & Development Programs –Internal     Training Opportunities – Offsite     Mandatory Certification Training     Occupational Health & Safety Training  LABOUR & EMPLOYEE RELATIONS      Employee Sexual Harassment Complaints     Respect in the Workplace Policy Complaints     Grievances     Arbitration Decisions     Labour Negotiations  PENSION ADMINISTRATION      See Employee Benefit Programs	Backflow Prevention Program Private Water Recreational Water Testing  HEALTH & SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM  Building Fire Safety Hazard Recognition Assessment & Control Activities Hazardous Materials – Assessment & Control Workplace Emergency Response Management	ACCOUNTING ADMINISTRATION  • Accounts Payable Processing • HST Returns • Write Offs/Debt/Arrears • Securities – Letters of Credit (LC) & Cash • Banking Transactions & Reconciliations • General Ledger • General ledger Reconciliation • Month-end closing & Analysis  FINANCIAL PLANNING & INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT  • Annual Financial Planning & Budgeting – (Operational & Capital) Working Papers (FOR DEPTS.) • Budget – Operating & Capital – Working papers (FOR FINANCE) • Long Range Capital Plans – Working Papers • Long Range Capital Plans Approved -Final • Capital Asset Accounting • Investments & Reconciliations • Reserve Fund Accounts

ADMINISTRATION	ASSET MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE	COMMUNICATION, PROMOTION & EXTERNAL RELATIONS	EMPLOYEE MANAGEMENT	ENVIRONMENT, SUSTAINABILITY & SAFETY	FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
		EXTERNAL RELATIONS		SAPETY	Financial Reporting – Bi- weekly, Monthly & Quarterly Working papers for Depts. Financial Reporting – Monthly & Quarterly For Finance Financial Statements & Auditor's Report - Final Year End & Audit Reporting – Preparation Working Papers Financial Information Returns (FIR) & MPMP Reporting  AUDIT  Auditor Relationship Management Services Audit –Internal PAYROLL ADMINISTRATION  Payroll Processing Payroll – Remittances  PROCUREMENT  Supplier Information Supplier Submissions (Unsuccessful/ Declined/Cancelled) Supplier Contract Management (Successful) Supplier Performance
					Management • P-card Management

GOVERNANCE	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	LEGAL, LICENSING AND PERMITS	PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING	PROJECT MANAGEMENT	RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES
ACCESS & PRIVACY	INFORMATION	AGREEMENTS &	BUILDING, PLANNING &	CAPITAL &	PROGRAM MANAGEMENT
Access Requests      BY-LAWS     ADMINISTRATION      By-Laws	TECHNOLOGY - COMPUTER & INFORMATION SECURITY  • Computer System Access & Controls	ONTRACTS/LEASE     ADMINISTRATION      Agreements/     Contracts Leases –     Working Papers     Agreements/	Development Inquiries/     Pre-Application     Consultation-&     Completed Application     Checklist	PROJECT MANAGEMENT - INFORMATION	Program Records Program Registration & Memberships Activity/Statistical Reports
COUNCIL	System Back-up	Contracts Leases – Executed Contracts	<ul><li>Planning Applications</li><li>Building Permits –</li></ul>	TECHNOLOGY/ OPERATIONAL/	FACILITY RESERVATIONS - RECREATIONAL
ADMINISTRATION	APPLICATIONS AND SYSTEMS	Agreements/     Contracts – Planning	Applications  • Building Permits -Issued	ADMINISTRATIVE/ AD HOC	Facility Bookings
<ul> <li>Council Orientation and Administration</li> </ul>	Product Evaluations	Act Applications Working Papers  • Dispute Resolution	Application & Permits – Other  Description    Other		CULTURAL ACTIVITIES
<ul> <li>Council, Standing, &amp; Advisory Committee Meeting Records – Working Notes</li> <li>Council, Standing, &amp; Advisory Committee Meeting Records -</li> </ul>	Systems Development Lifecycle      COMPUTER OPERATIONS AND SUPPORT	LEGAL MATTERS  • Corporate Books & Records • Dispute Resolution	Property Reference File (residential & non- residential)     Inspections - Building      DEVELOPMENT ENGINEERING		<ul> <li>Exhibits</li> <li>Performance Files</li> <li>Public Art &amp; Art in City of Markham Facilities</li> <li>Museum Collections</li> <li>Museum Research</li> </ul>
Confidential  Council, Standing, & Advisory Committee Meeting Records - Public  Committees – Appointed by Council	<ul> <li>Hardware and Software Inventory</li> <li>Hardware and Software Manuals/Instructions/ Operating Procedures</li> <li>Help Desk Logs &amp;</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Legal</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Design Standards</li> <li>Municipal Inspections/CAQC</li> <li>Transportation Planning</li> <li>Traffic Control &amp; Operations</li> </ul>		
Commissioner of Oaths	Reports & Monitoring	INSURANCE, RISK & COMPLIANCE MANAGEMENT	URBAN POLICY & PLANNING		
ELECTIONS CO- ORDINATION & ADMINISTRATION  • Municipal Election Administrative Records		<ul> <li>Insurance &amp; Risk Management</li> <li>Compliance Letters</li> <li>Accident &amp; Incident/ Collision Reporting</li> <li>Consent Release Forms &amp; Waivers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Official Plan &amp; Amendments</li> <li>Master Plans</li> <li>Secondary Plans</li> <li>"M" &amp; "R" Plans</li> <li>Maps/Plats</li> <li>Research &amp; Studies</li> <li>Urban Design</li> </ul>		

GOVERNANCE	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	LEGAL, LICENSING AND PERMITS	PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING	PROJECT MANAGEMENT	RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES
Municipal Election     Records –     Campaign Finance     Municipal Election     Results & Statistics     Municipal Election     Records – Voters     Lists/Ballots/     Temporary Staffing     Wards & Boundaries      POLICIES & PROCESS     MANAGEMENT      Policies, Procedures     Standards &     Guidelines  STRATEGIC & LONG     RANGE PLANNING      Strategic &     Administrative Plans  GOVERNMENT     RELATIONS      Government/     Inter-governmental     Relations &     Agencies     Accessibility for     Ontarians with     Disabilities Act     (AODA)  RECORDS/DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT  MANAGEMENT   RECORDS/DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT  MANAGEMENT   Outerians  RECORDS/DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT  MANAGEMENT		REAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT  Real property Acquisition /Expropriation/ Disposition  LITIGATION / CLAIMS  Claims by the Municipality Claims Against the Municipality – Insured & Not Insured  Insured  LICENCES & PERMITS PROCESSING PERMITS PROCESSING PERMITS  Licences & Permits  BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT  Provincial Offenses Complaints, Citations, Notices of Violations and Investigations Municipal By-law Infractions  VITAL STATISTICS  Marriage Applications Marriage Registry Vital Statistics Registrations	PARKS & OPEN SPACE PLANNING  MUNICIPAL ADDRESSING  • Street Names & Numbers  HERITAGE PLANNING  • Heritage Resources		

GOVERNANCE	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	LEGAL, LICENSING AND PERMITS	PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING	PROJECT MANAGEMENT	RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES
Classification & Records Retention By-law Records Destruction Certificates Records Centre Operations					

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

The function of managing the administrative activities of the departments. Records relating to general office information such as office administration records, internal and staff committee meetings, minutes, agendas, contact lists, and blank template/forms.

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
ADMINISTRATIVE RECORDS - OFFICE ADMINISTRATION	Alphabetical by subject	Originator	CY+3	Destroy	Internal	
Records relating to general office administration functions and subjects not covered elsewhere. This may include daily correspondence and chronological files, calendars, travel arrangements, monthly activity or status reports, etc.						
REFERENCE & RESEARCH MATERIAL	Alphabetical by topic	Originator	CY+3	Destroy	Internal	
Records relating to the management of external publications such as library material used for reference purposes, newspaper clippings. Also includes the management of office subscriptions, books, and digital publications purchased by staff or Departments. This includes subscriptions for professional newsletters, printed and electronic journals, business and news periodicals, and book orders.						
TEMPLATES & FORMS - BLANK	Alphabetical by topic	Originator	S/O+1	Destroy	Internal	
Templates and forms relating to City of Markham business. The blank master document provides a standard format for data collection and formatting, or provides a best practice format for document creation. Records may include blank, printable forms and checklists, letterhead, PowerPoint template, electronic templates that standardize data capture and display, excel spreadsheet tools, etc.	Building Standards					

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
	Finance  • Expenses Claim Form  • Letters of Credit • Petty Cash  Human Resources • Absence Request • Benefit • New Hires  Licensing • Business • Driving Schools • Lottery • Taxi  Planning • Planning Application Forms					
MEETINGS & COMMITTEES - INTERNAL  Records relating to departmental meetings and committees of City staff that are not related to council or committees of council. Documents may include meeting agendas, terms of reference, membership list, minutes for such committees, contact lists as Executive Leadership Team, quarterly reports to ELT and CAO, department staff meetings and retreats.  FOR: COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS SEE: GOVERNANCE - COUNCIL, STANDING AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES MEETING RECORDS -PUBLIC	Alphabetical by committee /meeting name  • Commission • Executive Leadership Team • Department Meetings • Retreats	Originator	CY+6	Archival Selection	Internal	

# ASSET MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE

The function of managing and maintaining the physical assets of the City of Markham relating to the renovation, replacement, operation, and maintenance of property and equipment, which it owns or leases, and the associated professional standards. This may include linear infrastructure plus buildings, facilities, lands, vehicles, traffic signals, parks, parking lots, bridges, culverts, street light assets, water mains, storm water ponds, garages and the work orders required to do the work. This includes periodic condition assessment and tracking total life cycle costs.

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
MANAGEMENT & MAINTENANCE- PHYSICAL ASSETS						
ASSET REGISTER  These records describe assets such as land, parks, roads, water, sanitary sewers, bridges, culverts, storm water ponds, storm sewers, streetlights, parks equipment and any other large purchases. They may contain a description of the asset, purchasing information, asset location.  FOR: COMPUTER EQUIPMENT  SEE: HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE INVENTORY	By type of asset	Asset Management	T/E+25  Retain as long as building or structure remains in existence + 25 years	Destroy	Internal	
ASSET LIFECYCLE RESERVE  This study is updated annually to determine the adequacy of the reserve based on projected inflows to sustain future rehabilitation and replacement requirements for the next 25 years. It uses a 25-year rolling planning horizon.	By asset type	Originator	T/E + 25 disposition of the asset	Destroy	Internal	
AS-BUILT & INFRASTRUCTURE DRAWINGS  Drawings such as as-builts, including construction, architectural, structural, mechanical, & electrical drawings, floor plans, site plans, parks, storm water, roads, bridges and for subdivisions, facilities, upgrades,	By address/location	Asset Management	T/E+25  Retain as long as building or structure remains in existence + 25 years	Destroy	Internal	Ont.9, Ont.15, Ont.96

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
water and auto-cad drawings and files, etc.						
SEE ALSO: PROJECT MANAGEMENT						
APPROVED INFRASTRUCTURE & EQUIPMENT  Files contain information on the history of the equipment including traffic and signs safety equipment such as fire and Zamboni and safety devices, roofs, street lights and fitness equipment. Records include equipment parts, warranties (e.g. infrastructure), out of service notification. Includes operation and maintenance manuals, specifications and standards.	By asset type By address/location	Originator	T/E + 25 years  File closed after the equipment is decommissioned + 25 years	Destroy	Internal	Ont. 9. Ont. 15, Ont.18,
UNIFORM MANAGEMENT  Records related to the management, maintenance and dispersal of required uniforms and other apparatuses used by fire and emergency services and recreation. May also include equipment/clothing inventories, truck check sheets, bedding box assignments.	By equipment type:  Department Official Safety	Originator	T/E +2  File closed after the equipment is decommissioned + 2 years	Destroy	Internal	
CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATION - MUNICIPAL OWNED BUILDINGS  Records relating to construction and renovation of City facilities (new, existing, or renovated) including parks, heritage buildings and recycling depots. Documents may include specifications, reports, commentary, guidelines, architectural and engineering drawings, city-owned building drawings, consultant reports,	By Location	Asset Management	T/E+25  Retain as long as building or structure remains in existence + 25 years	Archival Selection	Internal	Ont.9, Ont.15, Ont.96

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
land appraisals, photographs, material and environment testing reports and building phase reports. May also include copies of contracts, building permits, and insurance damage claims and drawing release letters. Photos of assets are included in this category.  SEE ALSO: PROJECT MANAGEMENT						
FACILITIES/PROPERTY SECURITY ADMINISTRATION	By topic	Asset Management	CY+3	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Fed. 19, Fed. 20, Fed. 21,
Records relating to the physical security of City buildings, properties, and facilities. Security measures are intended to guard against damage, vandalism and unauthorized intrusion and to ensure personal safety. May include information on identification tags, security and alarm systems, authorized use of keys and access cards. Documents may include security clearance files, security logs and security user guidebooks.		Environmental Services- Waterworks				Fed. 19, Fed.20, Fed.21, Fed.22, Ont. 50
RECORDINGS - SECURITY CLOSED CIRCUIT RECORDINGS	By asset type	Originator	30 days	Destroy	Confidential	PIB
Records relating to Closed Circuit Television recordings made at City facilities and City fleet. In each case, recording mediums (VHS tapes, DVDs, CDs, audio tapes, etc) will be re-used within a specified time period.  If the recording is downloaded to document a particular incident for law enforcement purposes, it is then retained for claims management.			T+3  File closed upon resolution  Applies to all recording mediums used with a closed circuit system (VHS, CD, DVD) except those retained for law enforcement purposes.			Ont. 119, Ont. 206

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
Records relating to the monitoring and scheduling of condition and maintenance of building structures, and internal property systems. Consists also of monitoring and maintaining components forming part of the property systems in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations, industry standards, legislated requirements and best practices. Property systems may include (but not limited to): heating and cooling system (incl. chillers HVAC, compressors, cooling towers, boilers), elevating devices, electrical wiring, plumbing, fire alarm, emergency backup (especially power generation), pools, arenas, janitorial services, flooring, painting, walkways, roofing and general renovations, fuel depots, etc. Records may include building key legends, inspection reports, inspection logs, preventive maintenance reports, maintenance/operational manuals, technical reports, technical bulletins, prototype notices and building and equipment operating manuals for the maintenance of the equipment.	By property name and then by property address	Originator	T/E+25 Retain as long as building or structure remains in existence + 25 years	Destroy	Internal	Ont.11, Ont.16, Ont.17, Ont.18, Ont.19, Ont.20, Ont.21, Ont.95, Ont.180, Ont.182, Ont.184, Ont.185, Ont.186, Ont.187, Ont.188, Ont.189, Ont.190, Ont.191, Ont.192, Ont.193, Ont.194, Ont. 195, Ont. 196, Ont. 197
WORK ORDERS	By asset name	Originator	CY+6	Destroy	Internal	
Records relating to the creation and processing of Work Orders. Work Orders are issued indicating required tasks to be performed such as repairs and design. Includes cyclical, emergency, preventive, non-emergency and maintenance completed Work Orders estimates, summaries and final charges, including commercial charges for internal						

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
maintenance and repairs. Includes work orders for locates and clearances of locates including drawings, maps and consents and approvals.						
SERVICE & REPAIR REQUESTS	By location/address	Originator	T/E+3	Destroy	Confidential	PIB
Requests from the public or from other local government departments on street hazards, potholes, other needed repairs on roads, streets, and rights-of-way and requests for traffic signs, lights, changes to traffic flow, pool, facilities, ice etc.			Project finished + 3 years			Ont.12, Ont.13, Ont.14
VEHICLE/FLEET MAINTENANCE						
FLEET / VEHICLE HISTORY & MAINTENANCE RECORDS  Master record on each vehicle containing the following: complete description including identification and license numbers; title and registration papers; annual beginning and ending odometer readings; total annual fuel, maintenance, labour, and parts costs; and complete maintenance and inspection history (in summary form showing date and nature of inspection, service and repair). Records include replacement program documents, backup to the history of vehicle repairs such as fleet master list, CVOR vehicle inspection list and warranty information, and 407 charges including licensing renewals and fuel site management (costing, tracking, and credit cards).	By subject:  • Fire Truck • Transponders • 407	Operations- Fleet & Supplies	T/E+3 Termination of lease + 3 years	Destroy	Internal	Fed.13, Ont.95, Ont.165, Ont.166, Ont.167, Ont.168, Ont.170, Ont.171, Ont.172
LINEAR INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT						

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
LINEAR DESIGN/ PLANNING/ RECONSTRUCTION  Includes records such as test results, analysis reports, status reports, notice to public, copy of the payment certificate and copy of the tender regarding the design, planning and construction of specific new and existing roads; such as, resurfacing, widening, paths, bicycle lanes, water, storm water and waste water.  SEE ALSO: PROJECT MANAGEMENT	By type of project and location	Originator	T/E+3  After actions completed + plus warranty period if applicable	Destroy	Public	Ont.9, Ont.10, Ont.15, Ont.95
MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS  Records include inspection logs, patrol logs, maintenance records, daily material usage reports for bridge inspection and maintenance, general roads maintenance general, winter roads, salt management plan, snow removal, maintenance of regional sidewalks and streetlights, inspection and maintenance of storm water management facilities, pumping stations, storm and sanitary sewers and water mains. Also includes CCTV videos used for inspections.  FOR BUILDINGS SEE: FACILITIES/BUILDING OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE	By asset type and then By location/address	Originator	T/E+3  Completion of inspection or completion of maintenance	Destroy	Internal	Ont.12, Ont. 95, Ont.193, Ont.194
UTILITY LOCATION RECORDS  Includes records pertaining to utility stake outs required for excavation work performed on various City of Markham streets and right-of-ways. May also include ON1CALL records.	By location	Originator	CY+6	Destroy	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
PARKS & TREES MANAGEMENT						
FOR: PARKS AND OPEN SPACE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT						
SEE: PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT & BUILDING - PARKS AND OPEN SPACE PLANNING						
PARKS MAINTENANCE  These files document the maintenance of parks such as trails maintenance, winter maintenance such as snow ploughing, and the services being used. These files may include copies of work orders, inspection checklists, cost, hours, repair history, product information, etc.  SEE: PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT & BUILDING - PARKS AND OPEN SPACE PLANNING  SEE ALSO: PROJECT MANAGEMENT	By location	Operations - Parks	T/E +3 Completion of maintenance	Destroy	Internal	Ont.95
TREE INVENTORY  These files contain information about trees planted and/or maintained by the City of Markham. They identify the type of tree, location, activity dates, damage, maintenance, etc.	By location	Operations - Parks	CY+6	Archival Selection	Internal	
TREE INSPECTIONS Includes the record of tree inventory, tree inspection logs, work orders and	By location & type of document	Operations - Parks	CY+6	Destroy	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
the results of pruning, planting, trimming, pruning and preservation.						

# COMMUNICATIONS PROMOTION & EXTERNAL RELATIONS

The function of providing internal/external publications and communications including advice, and implementation of communication strategies that support business objectives, advertising of City of Markham services and events and the liaison activities with external groups. Includes all corporate communications, publications, media releases, executive speeches, web site, events, advertising and promotion of those events. Records relating to events planning and support, inquiries and complaints, market research, news releases and media relations.

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
MEDIA & PUBLIC RELATIONS						
BACKGROUNDERS & BRIEFING NOTES  Records relating to briefing notes/backgrounders and issues notes to inform senior level decision makers or request advice or decisions. Briefing notes usually deal with "issues"— subjects of debate or are also prepared for any topic someone needs to be informed about such as a policy matter, a situation, a report, action by another government.	By topic, then by name of presenter	Corporate Communications & Community Engagement	T/E+2 T/E=event over	Archival Selection	Confidential	
COMPLAINTS, COMMENDATIONS, ISSUES FROM RESIDENTS  Records include general complaints, responses to complaints and commendations about the City of Markham and its services. Includes contact centre reports relating to other departments service level reports, complaint types analysis, etc. May include complaints received related to a project that come directly to one of the departments to be logged in the Hansen database.	By year, then organization, then individual	Originator	T/E+2  T/E = file closed upon completion of case	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.119, Ont. 219
GENERAL ENQUIRIES  Records include general Inquiries received from internally and externally and the response including any relevant correspondence, attachments, etc	By year, then organization, then individual	Originator	T/E+2  T/E = file closed upon completion of case	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.119, Ont. 219

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
If there is no result to the general enquiry i.e. request to rent on a specific date that is not available then this record is considered transitory and can be immediately destroyed						
MEDIA RELATIONS  Documentation relating to the fostering of positive and ongoing relationships with news media and the promotion of the City and its role in fostering the business community, cultural and recreational activities, economic and tourism development. Records may include background information such as key message development material and media response, correspondence, press releases, news clippings, briefing notes and media announcements.	Alphabetical by topic, then by Media Outlet	Corporate Communications & Community Engagement	CY+6	Archival Selection	Internal	
MEDIA COVERAGE ABOUT CITY OF MARKHAM  Documentation relating to pertinent and relevant media coverage, media scans and media monitoring about the City of Markham and its initiatives. Records may include newspaper articles, journal articles, television and radio sound/video files, web pages, social media sites and the like.	By topic, then by date, then by Media Outlet	Corporate Communications & Community Engagement	CY+6	Archival Selection	Public	
PHOTOGRAPHS – PROGRAMS, EVENTS, AND PROMOTIONS  Photographs relating to City programs, and internal corporate staff events and promotions including the Museum, Library and Art gallery. Excludes photographs related to project management.	Alphabetical by subject/event name, then by date, then by photographer, then by photo number Canada day Summer Camps	Originator	CY+6	Archival Selection	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
FOR: CONSENT RELEASE/WAIVERS FORMS  SEE: LEGAL/LICENSING/PERMITS – INSURANCE, RISK & COMPLIANCE- CONSENT RELEASE FORMS & WAIVERS	**May need to be cross-filed with photo releases.					
PRESENTATIONS & SPEECHES  Documentation relating to presentations and speeches prepared and/or delivered by senior City staff (e.g. director and above) or Council members to external parties at special events, conferences and other public events.	Alphabetical by subject/topic, then by event name, then by date	Corporate Communications & Community Engagement and Mayor's office	CY+6	Archival Selection	Public	
GRAPHIC DESIGN/ PUBLICATIONS/WEBSITE CREATION & COORDINATION						
CORPORATE IDENTITY  Documentation relating to the planning, development and administration of the corporate identity. Records may relate to design elements, logos, word marks, PowerPoint template design, letterhead design, business cards, branding and visual identity guidelines. Includes approved logo masters used to create corporate documents and signs.	Alphabetical by subject	Corporate Communications & Community Engagement	S/O +1	Archival Selection	Internal	
PROMOTIONAL, PUBLICATION MATERIAL & INFORMATION PACKAGES - FINAL  Final copy of promotional materials, publications and information packages used by the City of Markham to promote the City and its activities. Includes marketing material such as posters and brochures, newsletters, community profiles used for events, information packages and other related activities.	Alphabetical by subject/campaign name, then by date/season	Corporate Communications & Community Engagement	CY+6	Archival Selection	Public	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
FOR: COMMUNICATIONS PLAN SEE: GOVERNANCE - STRATEGIC & LONG RANGE PLANNING						
PROMOTIONAL, PUBLICATION MATERIAL & INFORMATION PACKAGES PRODUCTION & DISTRIBUTION  Documentation relating to the production and coordination of City publications for internal or external distribution. Records may relate to graphic design, printing; distribution, and vendor relations regarding printing, use and distribution of reports, brochures, posters, information packages, toolkits, service guides (e.g. Communication Service Guide) and the like including Marhkam Life magazine and Annual Reports, Official Plan.	Alphabetical by subject/campaign name, then date/season	Corporate Communications & Community Engagement	CY+3	Destroy	Internal	
WEB / SOCIAL MEDIA ANALYTICS  Documentation relating to web analytics and social media including the measurement, collection, analysis and reporting of Internet data for the purposes of understanding and optimizing Web usage and social media engagement. Analytics may study the habits and behaviour of users, stakeholders, partners and trends.	By account name	Corporate Communications & Community Engagement	CY+10	Archival Selection	Internal	
EVENT ARRANGEMENTS & LOGISTICS – CORPORATE, EMPLOYEE OR COMMUNITY/OUTREACH Documentation relating to event planning and outreach activities	Alphabetical by event/outreach name, such as:  • Canada Day	Originator	CY+6	Archival Selection	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
including public fire education, discovery programs, public art, recycling and waste diversion, and includes ceremonies or fundraising, visits by representatives from other cities or countries and the coordination of facilities or services such as sponsorships as well as post event evaluation. Events include small business events, employee events and third party events.  Records may include:  • execution planning (planning committee membership list; critical path plan; meeting scheduling; meeting planning tools and checklists);  • Attendance /registration lists  • facility/venue logistics (catering, meal choices and banquet planning; orders for space, ads, AV and the like; room setup, layouts, and maps; exhibit and booth logistics);  • speaker coordination (topic discussions, invitations, biographies, correspondence)  • material preparation (binder covers printing & production, speaker package, tent cards, name badges, signage, giveaways, etc.)  • results evaluation – post mortem  SEE ALSO: PRESENTATIONS AND SPEECHES	Celebrate Markham Grant program "Discovery" Programs Every Child Every Year Markham Board of Trade luncheon Public Art programs New Business openings Park Openings Renovation Forum Then coordination activity: Execution planning Venue logistics Speaker coordination Material preparation & promotional materials & giveaways Expenses tracking Results evaluation					
BUSINESS & STAKEHOLDER RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT						
EXTERNAL SECTOR ORGANIZATIONS & ASSOCIATIONS Records relating to relationships and formal partnerships with sector organizations whose functions may	Alphabetical by name of organization (e.g.)	Originator	CY+3	Destroy	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
impact on, or are involved with the City of Markham. Includes organizations for best practices, advocacy and partnerships on impact initiatives such as fundraising, public consultations, etc. Subjects may include the exchange of information, routine notifications and inquiries, non-legally binding MOUs (alliances, partnerships), and offers of service.  FOR: LEGALLY-BINDING MOUS SEE: LEGAL – AGREEMENTS / CONTRACTS / LEASES	BIAS Fort Hope Markham Board of Trade Markham- Stouffville Hospital Ratepayers Association TRCA United Way Wuhan York Region					
BUSINESS CONTACTS & DIRECTORIES  Records used for contact lists and business development and promotion. Records include business cards, developer lists, business lists, real estate lists, and any other form of contact information.	Alphabetical by name of organization	Economic Development	CY+10	Archival Selection	Internal	
BUSINESS ATTRACTION/RETENTION/ EXPANSION MANAGEMENT	Alphabetical by topic or activity	Economic Development	CY+10	Archival selection	Internal	
Records include business profiles, maps, relocation kits, design cluster, records related to small business/entrepreneur development, attracting new business, and retaining or expanding existing businesses in the City of Markham.						
FOR: EVENTS						
SEE: EVENTS/COMMUNITY OUTREACH						
ECONOMIC RESEARCH	Alphabetical by topic	Economic Development	CY+10	Archival selection	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
Research conducted for new business opportunities, networking, etc. Records include statistics, municipal study documents and final reports, research data, research requests, economic value and impact studies, and maps.and Business Directory of Markham businesses (business data derives from directory)						
SPONSORSHIP & PARTNERSHIP RELATIONS  Records relating to the implementation and management of partnership/sponsorship, naming agreements for assets (facilities), events or programs.  FOR: NEGOTIATIONS AND CONTRACTS  SEE: LEGAL – AGREEMENTS / CONTRACTS / LEASES	Alphabetical by name organization, then by topic/event, then by contract duration  • Kylemore  • Scotiabank  • Flato	Originator	T/E+6  T/E = End of relationship	Archival Selection specifically for naming rights and long standing partners	Internal	

# EMPLOYEE MANAGEMENT

The function of managing City of Markham's employees and their relationship with the organization. Activities included defining the organization through organization charts and job descriptions, recruitment, payroll and benefits administration, and employee training.

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
ORGANIZATION & POSITION MANAGEMENT						
JOB DESCRIPTIONS  Documentation identifying the positions within the City of Markham and detailing job specifications, duties and responsibilities and performance expectation levels.	Union – Inside/ Union Outside / MPFFA/ Library/ Non-Union/Part time/Temporary/ categories then by position title under each category	Human Resources	CY+30	Destroy	Public	
ORGANIZATION CHARTS  Documentation identifying the organizational structure of the City of Markham including staff positions/titles, employee names and hierarchy of authority and responsibility. Records include organization charts.	Alphabetically by department and then by date	Human Resources	Archival	Archival	Internal	
RESTRUCTURING – ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES Information is created and/or received and used to document the establishment of new organizational structures, or the review of existing structures and programs which result in significant changes to core functional areas such as in the event of an amalgamation or change to or transfer of functional responsibilities, or for positions that are at the Senior Management Group) level or above.	By date	Human Resources	T/E+ 10  T/E= update + 10 years	Archival	Confidential	
RECRUITMENT & SELECTION						

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
RECRUITMENT & SELECTION  Documentation relating to the recruitment of and hiring of staff for specific City of Markham positions.  Records include job posting/ads, staff action requests, resumes under consideration, interview guides and questions, interview notes, test results, candidate evaluation, reference checking notes and regret letters.  **Successful candidates' information moves to EMPLOYEE FILES.	Alphabetical by position name and by recruitment number	Human Resources	CY+2	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont. 119
VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT  Documentation relating to the selecting, renewing and hiring/appointing volunteers for the various advisory and external guidance groups, councils and committees and student co-op. Includes training records, evaluations and certifications.	By name of volunteer	Originator	T/E+2 T/E= end of term	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont. 119 Ont. 219
STAFF MANAGEMENT						
EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT RECORDS  Documentation relating to an employee's work history and status throughout their employment with the City of Markham. Includes full time and part time employees other than continuous full time (OTCFT) on Records may include resumes, signed employee contracts, copies of training certifications, staff photo, hiring evaluation/notes, employee performance reviews, offer letter/letter of employment, engagement/hiring contract, secondment contracts, appointment notices, benefits selection, signed code of conduct, education attended, salary	Alphabetically by employee last name	Human Resources	T/E+16  T/E = termination of employment of employee  Records created before 2008  T/E +50 years after employee terminated or ceased to be employed	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Fed 32, Fed 33, Fed 34, Ont.80, Ont.81, Ont.82. Ont. 119,

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
change notification, disciplinary action, termination documentation and requests for religious and other accommodation.						
NOTE: Prior to 2008 employee Files contain medical records.						
Non certification training is located in this file						
EMPLOYEE MEDICAL RECORDS	By employee name	Human Resources	T/E+50	Destroy	Confidential	PIB
Records relating to the employees' medical status, including employee ergonomic reports. Information relating to occupational and non-occupational injuries, illness or medical conditions and harmful health exposures. May include information to workplace medical accommodation requirements. Documents may include medical notes, medical assessment reports, and all other supporting documents related to STD, LTD. Also includes WSIB, as well as short-term and long term disability claims. Documents may include Supervisor Injury Report forms, copies of long-term disability application forms and WSIB claims-related forms (6,7,8, Functional Abilities Form, etc.) WSIB related correspondence, recurrence and continuity reports,-claims summaries, file notes and all supporting correspondence.  All Supervisor Reports of Accident or Incident (includes injury, harmful health exposure, etc.) are included here.			T/E = time records first made			Fed 29, Fed 30, Fed 31, Ont. 86 Ont.95, Ont. 119, Ont.199, Ont. 200, Ont.201,
EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION PROGRAM	By employee name	Human Resources	CY+10	Archival Selection	Internal	
Documenting employees, who have reached a service milestone (5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, and 35 years of service).						

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
Includes records related to Staff Service Awards or the RFT Service Award Program.						
EMPLOYEE SURVEYS	By type of survey	Human Resources	CY+6	Archival Selection	Internal	
Surveys include: Employee engagement, employee satisfaction, etc.						
WORKFORCE/TALENT MANAGEMENT PLANNING	By type of program or planning	Human Resources	CY+6	Destroy	Confidential	
Documentation relating to talent management programs, succession planning, employment branding and workforce assessments and scorecards.						
TIME & ATTENDANCE REPORTING  Documentation relating vacation/sick days taken by City staff. It may include attendance records extracted from ADP People @Work. Also includes documentation relating to identifying hours worked.  For Timesheets & schedules SEE Payroll  Note: All attendance information will reside in EPIC – paper copy will no longer be required	By year, then pay run date	Human Resources Payroll Originator (for shift trades and work schedules)	CY+6	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont .119 Ont. 176
COMPENSATION & BENEFIT ADMINISTRATION						
EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION  Consists of management of remuneration models for Markham employees. Includes annual salary plans, salary grids, salary administrative guidelines and the management compensation plan as well as	By subject	Human Resources	CY+20	Destroy	Confidential	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
compensation surveys Records may include meetings, job evaluation results and appeals.						
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PROGRAMS (EXCLUDE FIRE FIGHTERS)  Includes records relating to employee benefits and deductions, group insurance, medical and dental plans, pension information (e.g. OMERS), fitness plans, subsidized transit program, employee assistance program (EAP), Wellness Program, Flu Clinic, yoga and fitness classes and tuition reimbursements.  NOTE: Pension management of benefits and documents are handled through OMERS – pension administrator	By topic  • Medical • Dental • Pension • Tuition • Wellness	Human Resources	CY+20	Destroy	Confidential	,
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PROGRAMS - FIRE FIGHTERS  Includes records relating to employee benefits and deductions, group insurance, medical and dental plans, pension information (e.g. OMERS), fitness plans, subsidized transit program, employee assistant program (EAP), flu clinic, fitness and yoga classes and tuition reimbursements.  NOTE: Pension management of benefits and documents are handled through OMERS – pension administrator	By topic  • Medical • Dental • Pension • Tuition • Wellness	Human Resources	CY+50	Destroy	Confidential	
PAY EQUITY  Records relating to the evaluation of job positions by comparing duties, skills and responsibilities of similar positions. The objective is to ensure equal pay for work of equal value. Documents may include copies of policies, hiring reports, classification ratings, job evaluation	File by Union – Inside/ Union Outside / MPFFA/ Library/ Non- Union/Part time/Temporary/ categories then by	Human Resources Library Human Resources	CY +50	Destroy	Internal	Ont.95

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
information, position description questionnaires, action plans and information about designated worker groups.	position title under each category					
TRAINING & SKILLS DEVELOPMENT						
EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION & ONBOARDING	Alphabetical by name of program	Human Resources	CY+6	Destroy	Internal	
Documentation relating to the development and delivery of the new employee onboarding program, diversity, AODA and additional. Records include orientation on-boarding checklists.						
FOR: LEGISLATED MANDATORY TRAINING SEE: MANDATORY CERTIFICATION TRAINING						
LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS – INTERNAL	Alphabetically by type of training:	Originator	CY+6	Archival Selection	Internal	
Documentation relating to the development and delivery of course resources, including eLearning courses.	English Communications					
Records include employee course resources, course calendars, lunch and learn sessions and instructional material at the corporate and departmental level,	Management & Leadership Development					
	Presentation Skills					
	Project Management					
	Writing Skills					
	Microsoft Desktop & City Software/application modules					

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES – OFFSITE	Alphabetically by type of training	Originator	CY+6	Destroy	Public	
Documentation relating to external courses, seminars, conferences and workshops available or of possible interest to City employees. May also include customized courses delivered by external vendors or attending conferences. Records include course descriptions, course notes, participant materials and general information regarding program offerings.	<ul> <li>Legal Continuing Education</li> <li>Conflict Resolution</li> <li>Specialised software training</li> </ul>					
MANDATORY CERTIFICATION TRAINING  Records include training records of staff which are required under Regulation 128/04 Regulation 129/04 to provide proof of operator training to the OWWCO (Ontario Water & Waste Water Certification Office) for training renewals and upgrades. Includes registration/attendance record for training programs  All Corporate training records and certificates issued by vendors to staff are delivered to the individual employee and electronic records are kept in the Learning Management System (LMS)	Alphabetically by employee ID or File number (EPIC)	Originator	CY+6	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont. 66, Ont. 67, Ont. 68 Ont. 69, Ont. 71, Ont.119, Ont. 231, Ont. 232, Fed 51
LABOUR & EMPLOYEE RELATIONS						
EMPLOYEE SEXUAL HARASSMENT COMPLAINTS  Engaging in a course of vexatious comment or conduct against a worker in a workplace because of sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, where the course of comment or conduct is known or ought	Investigation Identification Number	Human Resources	Permanent	Permanent	Confidential	PIB  NOTE: There is no statute of limitation on complaints of this nature.

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
reasonably to be known to be unwelcome." Information is created and/or received and used in the process of reporting, investigating and resolving a complaint related to workplace harassment specifically sexual harassment or other verbal or physical harassment of a sexual, gender identity or gender expression,						
RESPECT IN THE WORKPLACE POLICY COMPLAINTS  Records relating to receiving, investigating and resolving complaints from City staff concerning discrimination or harassment. Documents may include statements of complaints or completed complaints forms, investigation reports and recommendations, witness interview notes and supporting documentation and correspondence regarding the exploration and resolution of the complaints and consultations.	Investigation Identification Number	Human Resources	T/E+15  T/E = after employee terminated	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont. 39, Ont.92, Ont.93, Ont.94, Ont.95, Ont. 119, Ont.198
Records relating to complaints received from City of Markham Union or Association concerning alleged violations of the collective agreement and the investigations to identify and resolve the complaint or issue. Includes information on addressing and resolving the grievances, grievance step meetings, arbitrations. Documents may include completed grievance forms, copies of meeting minutes, adjudication/arbitration hearing schedules, arbitration notices, solicitor's correspondence minutes of settlements, memorandum of settlement and all supporting correspondence.	By bargaining unit and grievance number	Human Resources	T/E+15  T/E = after grievance closed	Destroy	Confidential (unless otherwise required by law)	PIB Ont. 39, Ont.95, ONT 119 Ont.220

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citations/ Comments
ARBITRATION DECISIONS  Records relating to complaints received from City of Markham Union or Association concerning alleged violations of the collective agreement and the investigations to identify and resolve the complaint or issue. Includes information on addressing and resolving the grievances, grievance step meetings, arbitrations. Documents may include completed grievance forms, copies of meeting minutes, adjudication/arbitration hearing schedules, arbitration notices, solicitor's correspondence minutes of settlements, memorandum of settlement and all supporting correspondence.	By bargaining unit and grievance number	Human Resources	Permanent	Permanent	Confidential (unless otherwise required by law)	
LABOUR NEGOTIATIONS  Records relating to conducting labour negotiations for collective agreements negotiations: Records include proposals, counter proposals, agreed to documents, negotiation notes, legal opinions and minutes of settlement, mediation notes, arbitration notes / arbitrators' decisions etc  FOR: COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS  SEE: LEGAL – AGREEMENTS / CONTRACTS / LEASES	By union title and contract year	Human Resources	T/E+15  T/E = end of the contracted period	Archival Selection	Confidential	Ont. 39
PENSION RECORDS SEE: EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PROGRAMS						

## ENVIRONMENT, SUSTAINABILITY & SAFETY

The function of managing the environment, ensuring conservation, energy management, sustainability, safety, and water protection. Records include the assessment, preservation and conservation of the natural environment, natural life forms and natural resources. Includes records on environmental approvals and compliance, occupational health and safety program, fire safety, ergonomics, air and water records, pollution, conservation and energy efficiency, pollution, hazardous materials and waste recycling.

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING & PROTECTION						
ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS & APPROVALS  Any facility that releases emissions to the atmosphere, discharges contaminants to ground or surface water, provides potable water supplies, or stores, transports or disposes of waste, must have the required approvals from the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) (Environmental Compliance Approval, Environmental Activity and Sector Registry, Renewable Energy Approval) before it can operate lawfully. Records include applications and approvals for air and noise, waste disposal site approvals, waste management system approvals, sewage work approvals, municipal and non-municipal drinking water approvals. Toronto Regional Conservation Authority (TRCA) applications and requirements are included within this series.  Approvals from all other federal, provincial or municipal governments would be included here.	By project name	Originator	T/E+10  T/E = approval of application	Destroy	Public	Fed 40, Fed. 41, Fed 42, Fed 43, Fed 44, Ont.22, Ont.23, Ont. 24, Ont.25, Ont.26, Ont.27, Ont.31, Ont.32, Ont.35, Ont.36, Ont.67, Ont.68, Ont.69, Ont.70, Ont.72, Ont.106, Ont.107, Ont.108, Ont.109, Ont.110, Ont.113, Ont. 175,
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS & STUDIES  Includes material relating to environmental assessments within the City of Markham and outside of the City	By type of assessment	Asset Management Engineering	Permanent	Permanent	Public	Fed. 41, Ont.22, Ont.34, Ont.35, Ont.36, Ont.37, Ont.38, Ont.39, Ont.40, Ont. 96

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
they impact on land within Markham's boundaries. Records relating to studies of environmental issues and impacts, such as Master and Class Environmental Studies or Brownfield Reports. These assessments are required by legislation and are responsible for determining the state of the current environment and the impacts that development activities might have on it. Includes information relating to soil, tree preservation and mitigation, geotechnical, infrastructure expansion, water, air, and other environmental issues. Documents include special studies such as diesel emissions and reports, environment planning documents, engineering plans, and correspondence.  NOTE: Not withstanding the above, these environmental assessments are not related to a specific project.  FOR: ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS SEE: PROJECT MANAGEMENT						
ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING &	By subject	Originator	T/E+15	Destroy	Public	Fed 40, Fed. 41, Ont. 109,
Includes material relating to natural resources, pollution, spill response and any other environmental concerns. Records include reports, general correspondence, public notices, etc.			Event = later of: date of offence or: day evidence of offence first came to attention of person appointed under s. 5.			
ENVIRONMENTAL MASTER & OTHER SUSTAINABILITY PLANS						
SEE: MASTER PLANS						
PESTICIDE/HERBICIDE APPLICATION	By location & date	Originator	T/E+3	Destroy	Public	Ont.95, Ont.208

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
These records document the application of pesticide/herbicide chemicals in parks and on government owned golf courses. The file may include a work order and a schedule of spraying.			Event = later of: day offence committed; and day evidence of offence			
POLLUTION & CONTROL  Includes material relating to air pollution and control and material relating to noise pollution and control, air traffic noise and noise walls.	By type of pollution  • Air  • Noise	Originator	T/E+15  Event = end of reporting period to which relates	Destroy	Public	Fed 40, Ont.38, Ont.39, Ont.195, Ont.199, Ont.207
WEATHER MONITORING Includes information on the conditions of the atmosphere. Records may include reports, general correspondence and public notices.	By date	Originator	CY+6	Destroy	Public	Minimum Maintenance Standards (Roads)
CONSERVATION & SUSTAINABILITY						
ENERGY CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAMS  Program records, and additional documentation showing City compliance with the Green Energy Act, 2009 and similar legislation. Includes conservation & demand reporting.	By year and type of program	Sustainability Office	CY+6	Destroy	Public	Ont. 236, Ont. 237, Ont. 238, Ont. 238, Ont. 239, Ont. 240
WATER CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAMS  Records include program records, general correspondence, newsletters, program records such as Water on Wheels (WOW) and materials pertaining to water conservation and sustainability.	By year and then by type of program	Environmental Services - Water	CY+15	Archival Selection	Public/Internal	Ont.37, Ont.65, Ont. 241, Ont. 242, Ont. 243
WASTE						

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
WASTE MANAGEMENT  Records relating to the reduction, reuse, recycling or diversion of solid waste materials. Includes the recycling of newspapers, cardboard, other curb side materials, automobile tires, white goods, scrap metal, and soil. Documents may include lists of recyclable versus non-recyclable materials, logs, customer complaints, waste studies, collection schedules, depot schedules, community centre maps, etc.	By topic	Environmental Services-Waste	CY+3	Destroy	Internal Complaints are a PIB	PIB Ont.23, Ont.24, Ont.25, Ont.26, Ont.27, Ont.28, Ont.29
WATER AND WASTEWATER PROTECTION & COMPLIANCE						
DRINKING WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT STANDARD (DWQMS)  Drinking Water Quality Management Standard (DWQMS), includes, reports, certificates, system audits, lead testing/water sampling log, permits & licences, meeting minutes, training records, water quality complaints log, forms, operational plan, standard operating procedures, emergency contact list, emergency plans and emergency plan testing results, etc. The testing may be performed internally or by outside companies.  FOR: WATER / WASTEWATER CERTIFICATION TRAINING SEE: TRAINING & SKILLS DEVELOPMENT - Mandatory TRAINING/CERTIFICATION RECORDS	By topic	Environmental Services – Waterworks	CY+15	Destroy	Internal	Ont.22, Ont.30, Ont.36, Ont.37, Ont.39, Ont.41, Ont.42, Ont.43, Ont.44, Ont.45, Ont.46, Ont.47, Ont.48, Ont.52, Ont.53, Ont. 54, Ont.55, Ont.56, Ont.57, Ont.58, Ont.59, Ont.60, Ont. 61, Ont.62, Ont.63, Ont.64, Ont.65, Ont.96, Ont.118, Ont.244

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
WATER/WASTEWATER LABORATORY SERVICES Records from regulatory sampling and results dealing with water and wastewater (WoW sampling records)	By sample type	Environmental Services - Waterworks	CY+15	Destroy	Internal	Ont. 41, Ont. 44, Ont. 45, Ont. 46, Ont. 51, Ont. 52, Ont. 54, Ont. 57, Ont. 58, Ont. 60, Ont. 61, Ont. 62, Ont. 63, Ont. 64
WATER DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS  Records pertaining to the operation of the water distribution system. Includes operational checks, reporting, corrective actions, logbooks, and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) reports	By type of document	Environmental Services – Waterworks	CY+15	Destroy	Internal	Ont. 41, Ont. 43, , Ont. 51, Ont. 52, Ont. 54, Ont. 55, Ont. 57, Ont. 58, Ont. 60, Ont. 61, Ont. 62, Ont. 63, Ont. 64, Ont. 231
WASTE WATER COLLECTION OPERATIONS  Records pertaining to the operations of the wastewater collection system. Could include operational checks, reporting, corrective actions, log books, work orders, sewer by-law compliance program, etc.	By type of document	Environmental Services - Waterworks	CY+15	Destroy	Internal	Ont. 65, Ont. 66, Ont. 67, Ont. 68, Ont. 69, Ont. 70, Ont. 71
BACKFLOW PREVENTION PROGRAM  Records pertaining to the backflow prevention program including survey results, qualified contractor listings, device test results, and by-law inspections.	By location	Environmental Services – Waterworks Operations - Parks	CY+15	Destroy	Internal	Ont. 41, Ont. 43, Ont. 49, Ont 57, Ont. 58, Ont. 63
PRIVATE WATER Includes records regarding monitoring surface and ground water quality and/or quantity. Records include monthly sampling, inorganic chemical reports and includes complaints directed to the City of Markham by outside agencies or the public concerned about their private water.	By location & date	Originator	CY+15	Destroy	Public	Ont.22, Ont.30, Ont.36, Ont.37, Ont.39, Ont.41, Ont.42, Ont.43, Ont.44, Ont.45, Ont.46, Ont.47, Ont.48, Ont.49, Ont.50, Ont.51, Ont.52, Ont.53, Ont. 54, Ont.55, Ont.56, Ont.57, Ont.58, Ont.59, Ont.60, Ont. 61, Ont.62, Ont.63, Ont.64, Ont.65, Ont.96

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
RECREATIONAL WATER TESTING Records include the daily log as outlined in the regulations, including bi-monthly and monthly testing, sample tests and results for a certified analysis for coliform bacteria, pH and chlorine/bromine for pools, drinking fountains, and splash pads.	By location & date	Originator	CY+1	Destroy	Public	Ont. 233
HEALTH & SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM						
Records relating to documenting the planning and preparation necessary so that individual buildings will comply with required fire regulations. May include information relating to firefighting equipment locations within buildings, sprinkler systems, location of Siamese connection, central station monitoring contact, fire alarm systems, locations of exits and staircases, Fire Safety Plan requirements, names of emergency contact personnel, vehicle access to the respective building, locations of elevators, owner responsibilities, and firefighting equipment inspection and maintenance. Documents include fire safety plan, fire protection contractor's service reports, fire protection contractor's annual reports, self-compliance surveys, risk assessments and all supporting correspondence.	By address	Fire & Emergency Services	T/E+2  Event = report prepared; as long as current and immediately preceding report are available; retained at building premises for examination on request	Destroy	Internal	Ont.86, Ont.95, Ont.180, Ont.181, Ont.182, Ont.183, Ont.184, Ont.185, Ont.186, Ont.187, Ont.188, Ont.189, Ont.190, Ont.191, Ont.192

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
HAZARD RECOGNITION, ASSESSMENT AND CONTROL ACTIVITIES (FOR WORKPLACES, TASKS, AND ASPECTS OF WORK)  Prioritized by level of risk, hazards are systematically recognized, assessed and controlled to ensure a health and safe workplace. The hazard control process is housed in the Health and Safety Management System which includes policies (eg. Core Health and Safety Policy), standards (eg. Work Alone), processes (eg. Job Hazard Analysis Process) and written procedures (eg. various equipment safe operating procedures). Where a high risk tasks is identified, a programs is developed which consists of a number of elements of the system; health and safety programs include: Confined Space Work, Contractor Safety, Work at Heights, etc.	Numeric by Health & Safety Management System Policy/Standard /Process number	Human Resources	T + 50 Until the hazardous is completely eliminated +50 years	Destroy	Internal	Fed 42, Fed 43, Fed 44, Fed 45, Fed 46, Fed 47, Fed 48, Fed 49, Fed 50, Fed 51, Fed 52, Fed 53, Fed 54, Fed 55, Fed 56, Fed 57, Ont.86, Ont.96, Ont.211, Ont.212, Ont.213, Ont.214, Ont.215
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS – ASSESSMENT & CONTROL  Hazardous materials include any substance or material which may result in a harmful health exposure or injury or death due to explosion or fire. This includes any controlled product, chemical or material included under WHMIS, Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG) or Designated Substance legislation as well as any materials contaminated by biological hazards such as mould or bodily fluids.	By type of document	Originator	T+50 years Until the hazardous material is completely abated +50 years.	Destroy	Public	Fed 42, Fed 43, Fed 44, Fed 45, Fed 46, Fed 47, Fed 48, Fed 49, Fed 50, Fed 51, Fed 52, Fed 53, Fed 54, Fed 55, Fed 56, Fed 57, Ont.86, Ont.96, Ont.211, Ont.212, Ont.213, Ont.214, Ont.215

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
All documentation relating to hazardous materials management include hazard assessments, inventories, handling, use, storage, transportation and disposal instructions, training, and other hazard control measures.						
WORKPLACE EMERGENCY RESPONSE MANAGEMENT  Develop of workplace emergency measures pertaining to staff and facilities, to ensure worker safety in the event of an emergency (such as fire, bomb threat or disaster) and to support business continuity, includes business continuity plan, plan development and testing documentation. Emergency response, mitigation and post- emergency support are included in the measures developed. Also includes information relating to the Critical Incident Stress Team (CIST) and resources.	By topic and date	Originator	T/E+7 After plan updated	Archival Selection	Confidential	Ont.109, Ont.182, Ont.229, Ont.230, Ont.232, Ont.232, Ont.233, Ont.234, Ont.235, Fed 41, Fed 45

## FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The function of managing the financial resources of the City of Markham through the execution of financial transactions and accounting processes including the receipt, control and expenditure of funds and the reporting and auditing of results.

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
CITY REVENUES ADMINISTRATION						
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE PROCESSING	By fiscal year, then alphabetical by vendor name	Originator	FY+6	Destroy	Internal	Fed.1, Fed.2, Fed. 23, Fed 24, Fed 25, Fed 27,
Records relating to revenues received by the City through the sale of goods or services, including bulk water sales. This includes revenues generated from charging parking, permits and other fees. May include information on the administration and receipt of refunds and credits/credit notes received from vendors for return of materials/products. Documents may include hand-written and machine-readable receipts, payment balancing stubs, invoices documenting the receipt of payment from customers, accounts receivable and revenue reconciliation statements, cheques, payment batch reports, cash reports usage/rental fees, concessions, tickets, advertising fees and merchandise sales, bulk water sales, water meter ICI sale, water meter related charges (testing, frozen meter, etc.), hydrant permit and usage.  SEE ALSO: TAX OR WATER AUTO PAY SUCH AS PAP OR MORTGAGE,						Ont. 76
OR TAX SALES OR OTHER TAX COLLECTION OR UTILITY COLLECTION MATERIALS.						
CASH RECEIPTS  Cashier batches, documentation, deposit slips, POS deposits, payments and all related backup documents from	By fiscal year, then by batch number or date or cashier	Originator	FY+6	Destroy	Internal	Fed.1, Fed.2, Fed. 23, Fed 24, Fed 25, Fed 27, Ont. 76

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
processing of payments received by the City excluding bank reconciliation materials.						
DEVELOPMENT CHARGES  Records of invoices and monies collected from land developers to offset that portion of the costs of services incurred as a direct result of the new developments.	By fiscal year, then by month	Finance – Financial Strategy & Investments	FY+6	Destroy	Internal	Fed.1, Fed.2, Fed. 23, Fed 24, Fed 25, Fed 27, Ont. 76
GRANTS TO CITY  These files contain information related to grants received from Federal, Provincial, York Region and/or private sources. These grants are used to support the acquisition or maintenance of property or equipment and for the running of programs or special events such as Lake Simcoe Clean Lake Fund, Federal gas tax funding, municipal infrastructure, etc. They may document that the City used the funds in accordance with the terms of the grant. The files may contain a copy of the grant, correspondence, purchases, expenses and any other supporting documents.	By year and name of grants	Originator	CY+6	Destroy	Internal	Fed.1, Fed.2, Fed. 23, Fed 24, Fed 25, Fed 27, Ont. 76
MUNICIPAL TAX ADMINISTRATION						
TAX BILLING - MUNICIPAL  All records related to the process of preparing and issuing a taxation billing batch, can be interim, final or supplementary. Batch files and documentation related only, not related to individual property accounts.	By fiscal year, type	Finance – Revenues & Property Taxation	FY+6	Destroy	Internal	Fed.1, Fed.2, Fed. 23, Fed 24, Fed 25, Fed 27, Fed 28, Ont. 76

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
TAX ACCOUNT AUTO PAY DOCUMENTATION	By roll number	Finance – Revenues & Property Taxation	S/O+1	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.119
Records include mortgage company correspondence, enrolments/cancellations, and pap plan enrolment/ cancellation for individual property accounts.						
TAX CERTIFICATES – MUNICIPAL  Records relating to the creation and use of municipal taxation certificates. This series includes letters from solicitors (lawyer's letters), financial Institutions, tax payers, and internal lawyers requesting that a tax certificate be generated.	By roll number	Finance – Revenues & Property Taxation	CY+8	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.74, Ont.75, Ont.76, Ont.119
ASSESSMENT ROLLS  Records relating to the creation or receipt, use, and maintenance of the yearly property assessment records which include assessment roll for taxation, the August Supplementary assessment roll and the omitted assessment roll. Information contained includes the roll number, the owner's name and mailing address, tenants name and mailing address, their school support, property location, legal description, lot area and occasionally dimensions, tax class, assessment value. Each roll also contains the total assessment for the entire roll.  Assessment rolls are produced by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) and forwarded to the City. These records have no legal value.	By year of assessment	Finance – Revenues & Property Taxation	T/E+7  T/E = assessment role applied to property taxation	Destroy	Public	Ont.105, Ont-123

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT, LEVY ADJUSTMENTS & APPEALS  Records relating to evaluation, assessment, appeal, modification and cancellation of municipal property taxes. Includes the assessment evaluation of individual commercial and residential properties by the City, the assessment appeal process under the assessment act, and the tax appeal process under the municipal act for cancellation, refund or reduction of tax. Documents include minutes of Settlements (MOS), Post Roll Amended Notice (PRAN), Advisory Notice of assessment (ANA), Severance and Consolidation Information From (SCIF), Assessment Review Board decisions (ARB), Conservation Tax Incentive Assessment (CTIA), summaries of assessments, aerial photographs, inspection reports, Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) listings, rental income statements and appraisals, recalculation of property taxes and minutes of settlement.  TXM, tax application, maintains the adjustments and calculations.	By roll number until approved for adjustment, then by type of adjustment, then by adjustment batch number	Finance –Revenues & Property Taxation	T/E+8  T/E = end of the appeal process	Destroy	Public	PIB Ont.75, Ont.76, Ont.77, Ont.78, Ont. 119
TAX APPEALS BY CITY  All records, proceedings and documentation related to assessment appeals initiated by the City and any general assessment roll reviews related to searches for such target properties.  TXM, tax application, maintains the	By property address	Finance – Revenues & Property Taxation	T/E+7  T/E = end of the appeal process	Destroy	Confidential  Litigation or quasi-litigation being outbound tax appeals against other property owners.	PIB Ont.105, Ont.119, Ont.123
adjustments and calculations.						
PROPERTY TAX: CHARITY & VACANCY REBATES	By fiscal year, then by roll number	Finance – Revenues & Property Taxation	FY+6	Destroy	Public	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
Records related to issuing a rebate if commercial or industrial building was entirely or partially vacant during the taxation year and eligibility criteria are met.						
TXM, tax application, maintains the adjustments and calculations.						
TAX ACCOUNT GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	By roll number	Finance – Revenues & Property Taxation	FY+6	Destroy	Confidential	PIB
All documentation related to individual tax account administration: including ownership/address changes, correspondence including complaints about tax, payment plans and seniors deferrals etc.						Ont.119
FOR: PAP PAYMENT PLAN ENROLMENT/CANCELLATION						
SEE: TAX ACCOUNT AUTO PAY DOCUMENTATION						
WATER ACCOUNT ADMINISTRATION						
WATER BILLINGS	By month	Originator	CY+6	Destroy	Public	Fed.1, Fed.2, Fed. 23,
All records related to batch billings for water accounts, including readings, batches, final billings etc.						Fed 24, Fed 25, Fed 27, Ont. 76
WATER ACCOUNT AUTO PAY DOCUMENTATION	By account number	Finance – Accounting	S/O+1	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.119
Includes PAP plan enrolment/cancellation for individual property accounts. (This has been outsourced to Powerstream)						
WATER CERTIFICATES -MUNICIPAL	By account number	Finance	CY+8	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.74, Ont.75, Ont.76,
Records relating to the creation and use of municipal water certificates. This						Ont.119

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
series includes letters from solicitors (lawyer's letters), financial institutions, taxpayers and internal lawyers requesting that a utility certificate be generated. (This has been outsourced to Powerstream)						
WATER COLLECTIONS  All documentation related to cyclical collection efforts on batch basis. (This has been outsourced to Powerstream)	By calendar year	Originator	CY+3	Destroy	Public	Collection files only, not related to financial reporting, or official financial books of record.
WATER ACCOUNT GENERAL ADMINISTRATION  All documentation related to individual water account administration: including ownership/address changes, correspondence including complaints about water billings, payment plans etc. Additional charges include: frozen, new ICI, missed appointment, testing, etc. Overdue water account balances are added to the tax roll. (This has been outsourced to Powerstream)	By account number, then by year	Finance – Revenues and Property Taxation	CY+6	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.119
ACCOUNTING ADMINISTRATION						
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PROCESSING  Documentation relating to the processing of payables and payments made by the City of Markham. Records may include, AP cheque register, cheque requisitions, and, cheque copies, invoices, credit card and P-card statements, and Staff expense forms.	By fiscal year and by vendor name and employee name (by date)	Finance – Purchasing & Account Payable	FY+6	Destroy	Confidential for individuals  Public for Vendors	Fed.1, Fed.2, Fed. 23, Fed 24, Fed 25, Fed 27, Ont. 76

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
HST RETURNS Records relating to the preparation and submission of HST returns	By year, then document type	Financial Reporting	FY+6	Destroy	Internal	Fed 1, Fed 2, Fed 6, Fed 7, Fed 8,Ont. 74, Ont.75, Ont.76
WRITE OFFS/ DEBTS / ARREARS Includes records related to all City debt, internal and external, documentation of approval, transactions, history, issuance, correspondence, etc. including any documentation related to arrears and write-offs.	By issuance	Finance – Revenues & Property Taxation Financial Reporting	FY+6	Destroy	Confidential	Fed.1, Fed.2, Fed. 23, Fed 24, Fed 25, Fed 27, Ont. 76
SECURITIES - LETTERS OF CREDIT (LC) & CASH  A letter issued by a bank authorizing the bearer to draw a stated amount of money from the issuing bank, its branches, or other associated banks or agencies. Includes similar documentation with respect to cash securities posted in lieu of letters of credit. Also includes notification of works completed and letter of credit release.	By purpose, by subdivision name, by developer	Finance – Financial Strategy & Investments	T/E+6  T/E = file closed or cashed out or cancelled	Destroy	Confidential	Fed.1, Fed.2, Fed. 23, Fed 24, Fed 25, Fed 27, Ont. 76
BANKING TRANSACTIONS & RECONCILIATION  Documentation relating to banking and account reconciliation such as the reconciliation of bank statements. Records may include electronic funds/wire transfers, confirmations, stop payments, bank statements, deposits and bank reconciliations.	By fiscal year, then by month	Finance – Revenues & Property Taxation Financial Reporting & Payroll Services	FY+6	Destroy	Internal	Fed.1, Fed.2, Fed. 23, Fed 24, Fed 25, Fed 27, Ont. 76
GENERAL LEDGER  Documentation of all financial accounts and statements summarizing year over year financial transactions. Records include all books of original and final entry summarizing year over year	By fiscal year	Finance – Financial Reporting & Payroll Services Information Technology	T/E+2  T/E = after dissolution of the corporation	T/E+2	Internal	Fed.3,

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transactions. Also includes the chart of accounts.						
GENERAL LEDGER RECONCILIATION	By fiscal year	Finance – Financial Reporting & Payroll Services	FY+6	Destroy	Internal	Ont.76
Documentation relating to the reconciliation of all general ledger accounts.		& Fayron Services				
MONTH END CLOSING & ANALYSIS	By year, then month	Finance - Reporting	FY+6	Destroy	Internal	Ont.76
Documentation relating to month end close. Records include month-end process checklist, statement of financial position, statement of operations, expense analysis, and accrued liability schedule and adjustments.		& Payroll Services				
FINANCIAL PLANNING & INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT						
ANNUAL FINANCIAL PLANNING & BUDGETING (OPERATIONAL & CAPITAL) WORKING PAPERS (FOR DEPARTMENTS)	By fiscal year	Originating Department – specific working papers developed by	FY+6	Destroy	Internal	
Records relating to the development and monitoring of business plans and budgeting both operational and capital for departments. Annual financial business plans may include information on goals and objectives to implement the City's strategic plans, specific time frames, and key events and issues. May range from simple timetables to complex plans. Documents may include directions to staff, financial spreadsheets, planning reports, supporting work plans, documentation on decisions and progress monitoring reports.		the departments, not corporate. Consolidated material at the Corporate level is held by Finance				
FOR: STRATEGIC PLANNING						

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
SEE: GOVERNANCE- STRATEGIC & LONG RANGE PLANNING						
BUDGETS – OPERATING & CAPITAL WORKING PAPERS (FOR FINANCE)	By year, then budget type	Finance - Financial Planning	FY+6	Destroy	Internal	
Records relating to the development, management and administration of the operating and capital budget accounts. Includes copies of budget, internal charge back reports, budget process procedures, directives, variance reports, expenditure forecasts and reports and budget submissions.						
LONG RANGE CAPITAL PLAN – WORKING PAPERS	By fiscal year	Finance - Financial Planning	FY+11	Destroy	Internal	
Documentation related to the development, consolidation, distribution, etc. of the long range capital planning document (update of the Life-Cycle and Waterworks reserve studies) for Council.						
LONG RANGE CAPITAL PLAN APPROVED - FINAL	By fiscal year	Finance - Financial Planning	FY+11	Destroy	Public	
Only final approved budgets, including line-by-line detail or council summary versions, departmental presentations and key supporting documentation.						
CAPITAL ASSET ACCOUNTING  Consists of documents related to accounting for capitalization, disposal, and amortization of fixed assets.  Documents include an asset register, capital depreciation schedules and capital asset reports all necessary for Public Sector Accounting purposes.	Alphabetical by document type	Finance - Financial Planning	FY+6	Destroy	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
INVESTMENTS & RECONCILIATIONS  Documentation relating to tracking of investments made by the City of Markham. Records include the monthly and quarterly investment reporting, redeemed investments bank receipts, invest log, interest income calculation, statement of accounts, investments confirmation and schedule.	By year and institution, by month	Finance – Financial Strategy & Investments	CY+6	Destroy	Internal	Fed.1, Fed.2, Ont.76
RESERVE FUND ACCOUNTS  This documentation includes administering the reserve fund. Records include the history, purposes, bylaws, analysis, strategies, etc. related to reserve accounts.  Note: Reserve Study maintained by Environmental Services – Waterworks	By reserve fund	Finance – Financial Strategy & Investments Financial Reporting	S/O+1	Destroy	Internal	
FINANCIAL REPORTING						
FINANCIAL REPORTING – BI-WEEKLY, MONTHLY & QUARTERLY WORKING PAPERS (FOR DEPARTMENTS)  Working papers of departments relating to monthly and quarterly reporting of financial position. May include quarterly and monthly interim financial statements and risk management checklist and reports.	By year, then month/quarter	Originator	CY+2	Destroy	Internal	
FINANCIAL REPORTING – MONTHLY & QUARTERLY FOR (FINANCE)  Documentation relating to monthly and quarterly reporting of financial position submitted to Council. May include quarterly and monthly interim financial statements and risk management checklist and reports.	By year, then month/quarter	Finance – Reporting & Payroll Services	CY+2	Destroy	Internal	Not related to official financial books records or annual financial statements. All reports to Council retained in Clerk's records of Council.

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS & AUDITOR'S REPORTS - FINAL  Documentation relating to the final, audited year-end financial statements. Records include the year end audited financial statements and notes to the statements includes auditor's report.	By fiscal year	Finance – Reporting & Payroll Services	Archival	Archival	Public	Fed.1, Fed.2
YEAR END & AUDIT REPORTING – PREPARATION WORKING PAPERS  Documentation used or created in the preparation of year end auditing and financial statements. Records include analysis, master schedule of documents provided to third parties, confirmation letters regarding payment receipt and funding allocated, and auditor's report.	By fiscal year	Finance – Reporting & Payroll Services	FY+6	Destroy	Internal	
FINANCIAL INFORMATION RETURN (FIR) & MUNICIPAL PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (MPMP) REPORTING  All work papers and supporting documentation for Financial Information Return (FIR) and Municipal Performance Management Program (MPMP) filings and final copies.	By fiscal year	Finance – Reporting & Payroll Services	FY+6	Destroy	Public	
AUDIT						
AUDITOR RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT  General correspondence and administrative materials related to the auditor relationship, engagement and firm.	By audit company name and name of auditor	Finance – Reporting & Payroll Services	S/O+1	Destroy	Internal	
SERVICES AUDIT - INTERNAL	By fiscal year	Originator	FY+6	Destroy	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
Audit of services that the City performs for its residents. Infrastructure and capital delivery, waste collection and water billing audits. Records include Internal audits, reports and related documentation.						
PAYROLL ADMINISTRATION						
PAYROLL PROCESSING  This refers to the regular entry, posting and reconciliation of employee payroll details and related reports such as payroll audit reports, payroll stub confirmation, Records of Employment (ROE), TD1, T4, T4A, payroll transfers, schedules, timesheets, Canada Savings Bonds and relevant Statistics Canada reports. This includes the production of an employee record detailing deductions including family support (garnishments), pay and termination of pay at the end of employment. Includes the payroll register.	By year, then alphabetically by document type and date	Finance – Reporting & Payroll Services	FY+6	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Fed.11, Ont. 119, Ont.216, Ont.217, Ont.218
PAYROLL – REMITTANCES  Records relating to the annual summaries of year-end reporting to government (reconciliation for the year) such as to Canada Revenue Agency (CRA), Workers' Compensation, Employee Heath Tax and Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement Savings (OMERS) reports.	By year	Finance – Reporting & Payroll Services	CY+6	Destroy	Internal	Ont.87, Ont.88, Ont.89, Ont.90

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
PROCUREMENT						
SUPPLIER INFORMATION	Alphabetical by vendor name	Originator	CY+1	Destroy	Internal	
Documentation and general administrative information regarding suppliers, vendor and service providers used to identify potential sources of goods and services. Records may include product catalogues, pricing lists and summary of services offered.						
SUPPLIER SUBMISSIONS (UNSUCCESSFUL / DECLINED/CANCELLED)	By year then by RFP (RFT,RFI, RFQ) number	Finance – Purchasing	T/E + 2 T/E=contract awarded	Destroy	Internal	
Documentation relating to the procurement of goods and services. Records may purchase justification, call for submission (RFP, RFQ, RFI, tenders, pre-qualifications, quotations, vendor submissions (proposals, bids, research body backgrounders, resumes of individuals), evaluation and evaluation summary, decision and decision communication including acknowledgement letters and notification to unsuccessful bidders.						
SUPPLIER CONTRACT MANAGEMENT (SUCCESSFUL)	By RFP (RFI, RFQ) number	Finance – Purchasing	T/E +6	Destroy	Internal	
Documentation relating to the negotiation of contracts and the management of the engagement with bidders. Records include RFPs, RFQs, RFIs responses, bid submission documents, evaluation matrices, business cases, Q&A's, purchase justification, draft contract correspondence, engagement plan, purchase order change requests and related documentation.			T/E= contract completed or termination of agreement			

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
Pending RFPs, etc. and related documentation are filed here until a decision is made.						
FOR: EXECUTED CONTRACT AGREEMENTS						
SEE: AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/LEASE- EXECUTED						
SUPPLIER PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT  Bidders' performance for consideration for future initiatives.	By name of vendor or by previous RFP (RFT,RFI, RFQ) number	Finance – Purchasing	CY+6	Destroy	Confidential	
P-CARD MANAGEMENT  Records include personal documentation from staff to set-up the p-card program and changes to card status.	By employee name	Finance –Account Payable	T/E+2  T/E = when change made	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.119

## **GOVERNANCE**

The function of governing the organization and exercising authority and control to ensure transparency and accountability. Records relating to the ways in which the City of Markham is governed and regulated to ensure efficiency, effectiveness and compliance with statutory requirements including requests under the Municipal Freedom of Information & Privacy (MFIPPA) legislation. Includes records of the Markham's legislative process, bylaws and agendas and minutes of Council and its Committee and its policies and procedures. Includes information received from federal, provincial and other municipal governments. Also includes the management of the lifecycle of information through records management services such as classification systems, retention by-law, identification of vital records and security classification.

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
ACCESS & PRIVACY						
ACCESS REQUESTS  Records relating to the receipt and processing of access requests for City of Markham records and privacy complaints. Documents may include formal and informal requests for information, consultation documentation, correspondence, access decisions, fee estimates, third party notices, written appeal submissions to the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario (IPC), IPC orders and decisions, and IPC compliance findings and recommendations.	By year and then by file number and/or then by name of individual/organization	Clerk's Office	T/E+2  T/E = file closed upon completion of case	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.95, Ont.119, Ont.206, Ont.219
BY-LAWS ADMINISTRATION						
BY-LAWS  All By-Laws enacted by Markham City Council and Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) approvals.	By By-law number and then by name	Clerk's Office	Permanent	Permanent	Public	Fed 36, Ont. 157
COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION						

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
COUNCIL ORIENTATION & ADMINISTRATION	Chronological by date and then by topic	Clerk's Office	S/O+2	Destroy	Internal	Ont.157
Documentation relating to the orientation sessions provided to Council members, administration of Council activities including biographical sketches and profiles of councillors, general information about the council such as board orientation packages and protocol book.						
COUNCIL, STANDING AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES MEETING RECORDS – WORKING NOTES	By date	Clerk's Office	6 months	Destroy	Confidential	
Records relating to the preparation of council, standing, and advisory committee meetings.						
COUNCIL, STANDING AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES MEETING RECORDS - CONFIDENTIAL	By date	Clerk's Office	Permanent	Permanent	Confidential	Ont.157
Records include final versions of staff reports, which have gone to Council with signatures, agendas, minutes, notices, submissions and resolutions -accessible to authorized Clerk's staff only.						
COUNCIL, STANDING AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES MEETING RECORDS - PUBLIC	By date	Clerk's Office	Permanent	Permanent	Public	Ont.157
Records include final versions of staff reports, which have gone to Council with signatures, agendas, minutes, notices, submissions and resolutions. May include audio and/or video files, if applicable.						
COMMITTEES – APPOINTED BY COUNCIL	By name of Committee	Clerk's Office	Permanent	Permanent	Public	Ont.5, Ont.157
Committees appointed by Council such as advisory, ad hoc and standing						

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
committees e.g. Audit, Accessibility, Committee of Adjustment. Records include appointments, terms of reference, declaration of office and other relevant documentation.						
COMMISSIONER OF OATHS	By name of applicant	Clerk's Office	T/E+3	Destroy	Confidential	
Records include applications and appointments approvals for commissioner of oaths.			T/E= termination of duties			
ELECTION CO-ORDINATION AND ADMINISTRATION						
MUNICIPAL ELECTION ADMINISTRATIVE RECORDS Includes documents and materials related to an election or by-election such as nomination papers, Deputy Returning Officer Statements, election forms, ward system, information related to alternative voting methods and related vendor information, contribution rebate program, hiring of personnel, voting locations and training of personnel .  FOR: POLICIES & PROCEDURES, SEE: POLICIES, PROCEDURES, STANDARDS & GUIDELINES	By date of election	Clerk's Office	T/E+8  T/E = election year  Kept for two election cycles	Destroy  Kept for two election cycles	Public	Ont.121, Ont.122, Ont.128, Ont.129, Ont.130, Ont.131, Ont.132, Ont.133, Ont.135, Ont.136, Ont.137, Ont.139, Ont.143, Ont.144, Ont.145, Ont.146, Ont.147, Ont.148, Ont.150, Ont.151, Ont.152, Ont.153, Ont.154, Ont.155, Ont.156
MUNICIPAL ELECTION RECORDS – CAMPAIGN FINANCE Includes documents filed under the Municipal Elections Act (financial statement and auditor's report) including records of the Compliance Audit Committee, which the Clerk shall retain until the members of the council or local board elected at the next	By date of election	Clerk's Office	T/E+8  T/E = election year  Kept for two election cycles	Destroy	Public	Ont. 120

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
regular election have taken office. Includes by-elections.						
MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS & STATISTICS	By election year	Clerk's Office	Archival	Archival	Public	
Results of by-elections and municipal elections. Includes number of voters, number of candidates and number of votes.						
MUNICIPAL ELECTION RECORDS – VOTERS LISTS / BALLOTS/TEMPORARY STAFFING	By date of election	Clerk's Office	T/E+90 days T/E= election	Destroy	Public	Ont. 145
Includes voters' lists, ballots, and related material including temporary staffing applications.			day			
WARDS & BOUNDARIES	By name of ward	Clerk's Office	Archival	Archival	Public	
Records relating to the assignment of wards and boundaries within the City of Markham. Includes petitions to change wards and all related information.						
POLICIES & PROCESS MANAGEMENT						
POLICIES, PROCEDURES, STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES	By Function and then by topic	Originator	S/O+3	Archival Selection	Internal	Ont.173, Fed. 14, Fed 15
Includes documents supporting the governance and operational infrastructure for the City of Markham. Records relating to the production and formal approval of official corporate and departmental policy statements, standing operating procedures, process mapping, work constructions, guidelines, and manuals such as procedures, such as travel policy, cell	Administrative     Freedom of Information requests     Flag Policy     Travel Policy Corporate Communications     Event Policy     Media Relations     Policy     Social Media Policy					

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
phone guidelines, and vacation policy to mention a few.	Human Resources  • Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Policy Information Technology  • Use of Information Technology Policy					
STRATEGIC & LONG RANGE PLANNING						
STRATEGIC & ADMINISTRATIVE PLANS	By date, then by department	Office of the Chief	CY+10	Archival Selection	Public	
Records relating to strategic planning by departments and residents designed to assess and adjust the City of Markham's direction and to determine its visions and future objectives. Includes information on seminars, strategy planning sessions, and mission statements. Documents include annual business plans containing information on goals and objectives to implement the City's strategic plans, specific time frames, key events, issues, long and short-term strategic planning reports and all ancillary materials.		Administrative Officer				
OFFICIAL PLAN & AMENDMENTS  FOR: OFFICIAL PLAN & AMENDMENTS						
SEE: PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, BUILDING - POLICY PLANNING						
GOVERNMENT RELATIONS						
GOVERNMENT / INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS & AGENCIES	By Agency name and then by level of Government: • Federal	Clerk's Office	CY+6	Destroy	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
Records relating to federal, provincial, municipal government departments, commissions, boards, authorities and related agencies whose functions may impact on, or be involved with the City's administration and operations. Subjects may include the exchange of information, routine notifications and inquiries and offers of service.  Documents may include government strategy and planning reports, government funding statements, government submissions and correspondence.	Provincial     Municipal					
ACCESSIBILITY FOR ONTARIANS DISABILITIES ACT (AODA)  Records include compliance letters, contract Inquiries, correspondence, accessibility audits and employment standards.	By topic	Human Resources Asset Management	CY+6	Destroy	Internal	Ont.5, Ont.95, Ont.173, Ont.174, Ont.176
RECORDS/DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT						
CLASSIFICATION & RECORDS RETENTION BY-LAW  Records relating to the development and implementation of the records classification structure and the retention and disposition by-law initiatives. Includes information relating to all issues that may affect the development and approval of the City's records classification structure and retention by-law, which officially govern for how long information is kept and whether it is destroyed. Documents may include records retention by-laws of other municipalities, federal and provincial legislation, legal opinions and all supporting correspondence.	Alphabetical by topic	Clerk's Office	S/O+2  Not specified "shall retain in secure and accessible manner"	Destroy	Public	Ont.157

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
RECORDS DESTRUCTION CERTIFICATES  Records relating to records destruction certificates, which authorize the destruction of the City of Markham's records in accordance with formally-approved records retention by-law. Includes destruction of media such as paper, microform and electronic records. Documents include records destruction certificates, applications for records destruction, destruction notices, and records destruction statistics and reports.	Alphabetical by department name	Clerk's Office	CY+20 NOTE: 20 years after records are destroyed	Destroy	Internal	
RECORDS CENTRE OPERATIONS  Records relating to the operations and management of the City of Markham's records storage facilities. May include information relating to inactive records retrieval and storage locations.  Documents may include box contents listings, reports and statistics about the holdings, offsite transmittal sheets, copies of offsite storage invoices with packing slips attached, disposition notifications, copies of records destruction certificates, and all supporting correspondence.	By type of document	Clerk's Office	CY+20 NOTE: 20 years after records are destroyed	Destroy	Internal	Ont.158, Ont.159, Ont.160

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The function of applying and managing information and communications technology to support the business needs of the organization by means of capturing, storing, retrieving, transferring, communicating and disseminating information through automated systems, such as wide-area networks and local-area networks. Includes planning, determining requirements, developing, acquiring, modifying and evaluating applications and databases, and disposing of these systems. Also includes communication systems, such as video-conferencing, voice mail, mobile devices, electronic mail, and the technical aspects of the internet, intranet, and websites.

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY- COMPUTER & INFORMATION SECURITY						
COMPUTER SYSTEM ACCESS & CONTROLS  Records relating to the security and confidentiality of City of Markham's online information resources located in the User Authentication System, Network Drives, and specific application/system configuration. Includes information about computer security practices and tools. Documents may include, computer security records,	By name of system  By system name	Information Technology	S/O+3*  Retain only data essential to identify, isolate or prevent harm to computer system.  *Retention will vary for security assignments contained in specific systems or applications. Assignments will be retained according to business requirement for access  S/O+1* (based on	Destroy	Confidential	Fed.4
Copies of master files or databases, application software, logs, directories needed to restore a system in case of a disaster or inadvertent destruction.	Sy Gyotom name	Technology	frequency of back up per specific system)  *Actual retention based on policy per specific system (according to criticality)	200.101		
APPLICATIONS & SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT						
PRODUCT EVALUATIONS  Records relating to the review and analysis of software and hardware products for suitability and/or	Alphabetical by product or hardware name	Information Technology	T/E+2  T/E = determination of the suitability/ Implementation	Destroy	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
implementation. Records include review notes, product literature, beta testing, test results and summary or recommendation reports.			of software and hardware products.			
FOR: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)						
SEE: FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - PROCUREMENT						
SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT LIFECYCLE  Designing and developing IT systems to enable the City to achieve its strategic goals and objectives. Includes designing and developing new IT systems and developing existing IT systems to meet evolving business needs or technical standards. This includes in-house software development as well as system integration activities with some information stored in Project  Management systems, File Management Systems, Network drives and code repository systems, This may include information on computer resources, technical design, systems development, user requirements, project definitions and database management. Would also include source code. Documents may include project charter, project scope, project plans, project management reports, system testing statements, data control impact documents, quality assurance investigations and reports, deficiencies and gaps and related correspondence.	Alphabetical by project or system name, project number and then by subject.  • Architecture • Business Requirements • Quality Assurance • System Engineering • Project Management • Project Deployment Plans	Originator - Project Manager & Information Technology	T/E+ 6  Decommission of application or system	Archival Selection	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
COMPUTER OPERATIONS & SUPPORT						
HARDWARE & SOFTWARE INVENTORY  Records describing computer equipment (e.g. laptops, towers, mobile devices) and software items, including quantity, assignments, and location.	By item Type	Information Technology	T/E+ 6  Decommission of application or system or Disposition of hardware item	Archival Selection	Internal	
HARDWARE & SOFTWARE MANUALS / INSTRUCTIONS /OPERATING PROCEDURES  Records from vendors and external organizations such as standards, procedures and operating instructions that provide instructions on the operation and maintenance of computer hardware and software, telecommunications and electronic communications systems. Includes user guides, maintenance support materials, installation guides, desktop service manuals and instructions, backup instructions.	By application name	Information Technology	T/E+ 6  T/E = decommissioning or upgrade of application or equipment	Destroy	Public	
HELP DESK LOGS & REPORTS  Records (tickets) tracking computer enduser problems and requests (including access requests) and the action taken to resolve the problems.  Records required for knowledge, statistical reporting/history and ad-hoc reporting/analysis at any time after standard routine reports have been produced	By request type	Information Technology	T/E+6  T/E = issue resolved or request fulfilled	Archival Selection	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
REPORTS & MONITORING  Refers to reports and statistics captured/generated from various IT initiatives, applications and/or systems to monitor the efficacy of the current IT department in providing services and maintaining hardware/software for the City of Markham. Reports and statistics may be used to substantiate costs or become part of a business case or request for new services, systems, and equipment.  NOTE: Reports and statistics should be generated on a routine basis to ensure the data is captured from the source to avoid conflicts with other retention periods.  Source data must be retained to allow supplemental and ad-hoc report generation and analysis in addition to standard reports	By type of report	Information Technology	CY+10	Archival Selection	Internal	

LEGAL, LICENSING AND MUNICIPAL PERMITS The function of providing legal services to the organization by the Legal Department or external counsel. Records relating to legal matters involving the City of Markham. Includes leases, agreements, contracts, licenses, permits, insurance policies. Also includes records relating to lawsuits and legal issues.

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
AGREEMENTS/CONTRACT/LEASE ADMINISTRATION						
AGREEMENTS / CONTRACTS / LEASES – WORKING FILES  All documents relating to the negotiation, formation and use of official agreements, contracts & leases, which may be between the City of Markham and external organizations or individuals. Records may include drafts and final agreements, memoranda of understanding and supporting correspondence. Record series includes software license or service agreements, hardware maintenance and support agreements, facility and equipment leases, agreements related to the development application process and all supporting documents as set out above.  Final, executed documents are filed with AGREEMENTS / CONTRACTS / LEASES – EXECUTED CONTRACTS.	By name of individual/organization	Legal Services	T/E+3  T/E= expiration or termination of contract	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.95, Ont 96 Ont. 119
AGREEMENTS / CONTRACTS / LEASES – EXECUTED CONTRACTS  Records include the final executed agreement/contract or lease such as software license or service agreements, performance and artists' agreements, rental agreements hardware maintenance and support agreements, facility and equipment leases, agreements related to the development application, procurement agreements and all other agreements or contracts.	By name of individual/organization	Clerk's Office	T/E+15  T/E= expiration or termination of contract	Destroy  Collective agreements to be kept permanently	Confidential	PIB Ont.95, Ont 96 Ont. 119

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
NOTE: this is the final version of all agreements/contracts and leases. The record series above is for the working papers created to create the executed agreements.						
AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS – PLANNING ACT APPLICATIONS – WORKING FILES  Records include the working files for subdivision, site plan and development agreements, etc and amendments, clauses, insurance certificates, plans, and notifications of assumption.  For executed agreements SEE: Agreements / Contracts / Leases – Executed Contracts	By developer's name	Clerk's Office	T/E+25  T/E= expiration or termination of contract	Destroy	Internal	
LEGAL MATTERS						
CORPORATE BOOKS & RECORDS  Records documenting the creation, structure, organization and governance of Markham Enterprise Corporation.  Documents include Articles of Incorporation, Letters Patent of Continuance, Trademarks, Intent to Carry on Business, Company registers, By-Laws, Minute Books and Notices, Share Certificates, Share sales and transfers, Corporate reorganization.	Bu document type	Legal Services	T/E + 6  T/E = day corporation dissolved	Permanent	Confidential	Fed 3, Ont. 244, Ont. 245, Ont.246, Ont 247, Ont 248, Ont. 249
DISPUTE RESOLUTION  Records may include reference materials on the client or matter, background information correspondence, contracts, Council Extracts, Committee/Council reports, minutes, including closed session, legal brief/memo/opinion, judicial decisions,	By name of individual/organization	Legal Services	T/E+3  T/E= expiration or termination of contract	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.95, Ont. 119

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
corporate searches, title searches, by- laws, policies, legislative /regulations, copies of draft/final contracts, copies of the settlement agreements and releases.						
LEGAL OPINIONS/ADVICE/BRIEFS	By topic or subject	Legal Services	CY+10	Archival Selection	Confidential	
Includes records relating to legal opinions provided by the municipality 's legal staff and legal opinions provided to the municipality, departments and Council						
PRECEDENTS	By topic	Legal Services	S/O	Destroy	Internal	
Documents that that may be used as an example in dealing with subsequent similar instances. This may include precedents for all areas of legal practice, including (without limitation) planning/development, real estate, public procurement, and municipal bylaw compliance / enforcement.						
ONTARIO MUNICIPAL BOARD (OMB) CASE FILES	By address & case number	Legal Services	T/E+25	Destroy	Confidential	
Includes legal correspondence and background material for OMB, case files for tax and property issues. May include development applications, notices of appeal, OMB orders and notices, pleadings, case law, reports, decisions and correspondence.		Planning	Resolution of appeal or completion of related planning project			
INSURANCE, RISK & COMPLIANCE MANAGEMENT						
INSURANCE & RISK MANAGEMENT	Alphabetical by type of	Finance	T/E+3	Destroy	Internal	Ont.1, Ont.2, Ont.3,
Documentation relating to insuring City of Markham against risk and fiscal exposure. Insurance policies include errors and omissions insurance, umbrella liability, and property	insurance	Strategy & Innovation	Event = date offence alleged to have been committed			Ont.4, Ont.77, Ont.95

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
insurance. Records include insurance statement of values applications, insurance policies, renewals, certificates of insurance and related information.						
COMPLIANCE LETTERS  Includes records relating to the processing of requests from lawyers requesting information relating to compliance and release of subdivision agreements/site plan agreements. May also include zoning information and building permit violation history, environmental history for the property and documentation about the property assumption and fee payments.	By property address	Originator	CY+10	Destroy	Internal	
ACCIDENT & INCIDENT / COLLISION REPORTING  Records relating to the City's reporting of accidents or incidents that have occurred on City properties and that may involve members of the public, staff and buildings and structures. These are insurable claims managed by the City's insurance adjuster. Records include accident reporting concerns, events such as vandalism, arson, vehicle accidents and personal injuries that have occurred.  Records include completed accident investigation reports, corrective action forms, witness statements, functional ability forms, first aid records and hazardous reporting forms.	By name of individual	Health & Safety	T/E+3  T/E = file closed upon resolution  NOTE FOR MINORS: T/E=18 <sup>th</sup> birthday  T/E+6 = actual claims with infant claimant (no Litigation Guardian) Claims commenced up to Dec. 31, 2003  T/E+3 = claims commenced	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Fed.13, Ont.84, Ont.85, Ont.95 Ont. 119

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
			after Dec. 31, 2003			
CONSENT RELEASE FORMS & WAIVERS	By type of waiver	Originator	T/E+3	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.95
A release is a written agreement between you and the person you are photographing, or the person who owns the property you are photographing. The purpose of the release is to protect you from any future lawsuits the person might file for claims such as defamation and invasion of privacy. Releases provide authorizations and/or permission. Waivers are voluntary surrenders of a known right. Records include insurance waivers, liability waivers, parental consent forms and consent release forms.			T/E = expiry of waiver			Ont. 119  If an accident occurs to any person covered by a signed waiver of liability, it must be retained for the same period as accident reports
FOR: PHOTOGRAPHS						
SEE: PHOTOGRAPHS FOR EVENTS						
REAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT						
REAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION/ EXPROPRIATION/DISPOSITION  Includes records relating to the acquisition, expropriation, disposition and lease of real property by the City, as well as easement, license agreements, permission to enter agreement. May also include closing documents executed when a real property transaction is completed.	By address of property or name of other party/description of land	Legal Services	Permanent	Permanent	Confidential	Ont.100, Ont.101, Ont.102, Ont.103, Ont.104
LITIGATION/CLAIMS						
CLAIMS BY THE MUNICIPALITY	By name of claimant	Legal Services	T/E+3	Destroy	Confidential	PIB
Records relating to the administration of and consultation for, legal claims and litigation initiated by the City, such as			T/E = file closed upon resolution			Fed.13, Ont.84, Ont.85, Ont.95 Ont. 119

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
claims based on contract or negligence. Records may include copies of contracts, correspondence, corporate searches, title searches, legislation/regulations, legal briefs/memos/opinions, legal exhibits (such as photographs), litigation fees, summaries of legal issues, precedent judicial decisions, court documents.			NOTE FOR MINORS: T/E=18 <sup>th</sup> birthday  T/E+6 = actual claims with infant claimant (no Litigation Guardian) Claims commenced up to Dec. 31, 2003  T/E+3 = claims commenced after Dec. 31, 2003			
CLAIMS AGAINST THE MUNICIPALITY – INSURED & NOT INSURED  Records relating to the administration of and consultation for, legal claims and litigation affecting or initiated by City employees or third parties; such as, first party claims made by the City to the City's Insurer(s) (for example, property and crime losses) and third party liability claims that are made against the City. Records may include copies of contracts, correspondence, corporate searches, title searches, damage reports, injury/medical reports, legislation/regulations, legal briefs/memos/opinions, legal exhibits (such as photographs), litigation fees, summaries of legal issues, precedent judicial decisions, and court documents. Third party claims may arise from alleged contract breach, or negligence or omission by the City (for example, its	By name of person/organization	Legal Clerk's Office	T/E+3  T/E = file closed upon resolution  NOTE FOR MINORS: T/E=18 <sup>th</sup> birthday  T/E+6 = actual claims with infant claimant (no Litigation Guardian) Claims commenced up to Dec. 31, 2003  T/E+3 =	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Fed.13, Ont.84, Ont.85, Ont.95 Ont. 119

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
failure to clear ice and snow from walkways, potholes and collisions involving City vehicles).			claims commenced after Dec. 31, 2003			
LICENCES & PERMIT PROCESSING						
LICENCES & PERMITS  Business, commercial, animal, parking licences and permits except those dealing with building, planning and development, zoning.  FOR: PROPERTY RELATED APPLICATIONS  SEE: PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT & BUILDING – APPLICATIONS, PERMITS – OTHER & BUILDING PERMITS	By type of Permit/Licence and address  • Animal Control • Business • Parking	Originator	T/E+6 T= expiry date	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Fed 37, Ont. 119, Ont.164, Ont.166, Ont.168, Ont.230
FOR: WATER PERMITS  SEE: DRINKING WATER QUALITY  MANAGEMENT STANDARDS (DWQMS)						
FOR: MARRIAGE LICENCES AND BURIAL PERMITS						
SEE: <u>LEGAL/LICENSING/PERMITS</u> - <u>VITAL STATISTICS</u>						
BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT						
PROVINCIAL OFFENSES Includes records relating to infractions under municipal by-laws and the follow-up of these cases. PART III - POA The types of documents created/received are as follows:	By address	Originator	T/E+2  T/E = when case resolved	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.95, Ont. 119 Ont.221, Ont.222, Ont.223

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
<ul> <li>Orders to Comply</li> <li>Notice of Violation</li> <li>General Letters</li> <li>Part 1, Part 3 occurrences,</li> <li>Complaints</li> <li>Note taking logs</li> <li>Court briefs</li> <li>POT tickets</li> <li>Summons</li> <li>Inspection photos</li> <li>Ownership of property</li> </ul>						
COMPLAINTS, CITATIONS, NOTICES OF VIOLATIONS & INVESTIGATIONS  Records include the nature of the complaint, details of the incident, investigation information. Includes records relating to building complaints and order to comply.	By Address of Case/Complaint	By-law & Regulatory Services	T/E+2  T/E = when case settled or payment made	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.95 Ont. 119
MUNICIPAL BY-LAW INFRACTIONS  Prosecutions deal with municipal infractions, their prosecution, appeals and the follow-up of these cases.  Records include documentation related to Screening Review and Hearing Review appointments, certificate of conviction, court filing for unpaid parking infractions, notice of intention to appear form, original parking tickets, court papers, set application, decision, trials, etc.	By address or name  Exception: Parking Tickets – by ticket number and date	By-law & Regulatory Services Court Administrator	T/E+2  T/E = when verdict rendered  NOTE FOR MINORS: T/E=18th birthday  T/E+6 = actual claims with infant claimant (no Litigation Guardian) Claims commenced up to Dec. 31, 2003	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Fed.13, Ont.84, Ont.85, Ont.95 Ont. 119

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
			T/E+3 = claims commenced after Dec. 31, 2003			
VITAL STATISTICS						
MARRIAGE APPLICATIONS  Records licences/certificates of marriages that occur in the City of Markham. Completed documents are forwarded to the Office of the Registrar General.	By Type of Application and then by name of person	Clerk's Office	T/E+2  T/E = completion of the application	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.6, Ont.91, Ont.95, Ont.97 Ont. 119
MARRIAGE REGISTRY  Records relating to civil marriages performed by designated City Officiants.	By marriage registry book	Clerk's Office	Archival	Archival	Public	
VITAL STATISTICS REGISTRATION  Records relating to vital statistics registration applications and licences/certificates of vital events such as deaths, burials (permits), and marriages that occur in the City of Markham. Completed documents are forwarded to the Office of the Registrar General. A database on death registrations is kept with the Clerk's Office.	By type of application, then by name of person	Clerk's Office	Archival	Archival	Public	

## PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, AND BUILDING

The function of managing the physical growth and development of the City of Markham. Activities include reviewing and amending the official plan and development regulations, preparing appeals and representing the City at appeal hearings, handling development inquiries and pre- consultation, issuing building permits, street naming nomenclature, review of all development applications and providing mapping support to other departments including internal studies to support statutory regulations, the planning of parks and open spaces, urban policy and transportation. Administration of subdivision, development, construction and site plan agreements including quality assurance control including security administration and the final acceptance of new municipal infrastructures..

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
BUILDING/PLANNING/ ZONING  APPLICATIONS BY CONTRACTORS AND INDIVIDUALS FOR PERMITS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION AND USE OF COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, INSTITUTIONAL OR RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES AND BUILDINGS.						
DEVELOPMENT INQUIRIES / PRE- APPLICATION CONSULTATION & COMPLETE APPLICATION CHECKLIST	By address and/or by Amanda number, if applicable	Planning & Urban Design	CY+6	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont. 119
Includes requests for information regarding developments and development pre-consultations to assist in determining requirements for a complete application. May include concept plans.						
Includes Builder Tips created for the public to provide guidelines on how to build/construct in compliance with existing by-laws, regulations, and other applicable laws						
Note: Successful inquiries move to the PLANNING APPLICATIONS folder.						

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
PLANNING APPLICATIONS  Request for formal permission to build, construct or renovate a structure and all related permits. Includes, successful development inquiries, permit applications, permits issued and approvals. Includes records regarding the approval (or otherwise) such as completed application checklists, records received/prepared and associated with processing the application including; related plans (e.g. landscape), reports and studies, approval drawings, written notes, background information general correspondence, formal correspondence to council, etc.	By Amanda number and then by type of Application:  Condominium Consent Development Heritage Minor Variance Official Plan Amendments Part lot control Site Plan Street Naming Subdivision Zoning	Planning & Urban Design	T/E+25  T/E = project finished and securities for the file have been released	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.7, Ont.8, Ont.15, Ont.33, Ont.34, Ont. 119, Ont.162, Ont.177, Ont.178, Ont.179
BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATIONS  Records include all documentation compiled and retained as part of a building permit application.	By Amanda number and then by address	Building Standards	T/E+6  T/E = cancellation of permit	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont. 119
BUILDING PERMITS - ISSUED Includes issued building permits and any supporting documentation.	By permit number and then by address	Building Standards By-law Enforcement & Licensing	T/E+25  Retain as long as building or structure remains in existence + 25 years	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont. 119
APPLICATIONS & PERMITS – OTHER  Applications for and copies of permits (or records of their issuance) involving sign installation, fencing, swimming pool construction, driveway construction, and for similar activities that are <i>not</i> classified as building or planning applications or permits. May also include zoning searches containing research letters prepared by Zoning examiners documenting zoning regulations in effect on specific properties	By type of permit then address	Building Standards By-law Enforcement & Licensing	T/E+6  T/E = project finished	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Fed 37, Ont.7, Ont.8, Ont.15, Ont.33, Ont.34, Ont.107, Ont. 119, Ont.162, Ont.163, Ont.177, Ont.178, Ont.179

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in response to enquiries from landowners and other members of the public.						
FOR: BUSINESS, PET, TAXI, MOBILE VEHICLES ETC.						
SEE: <u>LEGAL/LICENSING/PERMITS</u> - <u>LICENCES &amp; PERMITS</u>						
PROPERTY REFERENCE FILE (RESIDENTIAL & NON-RESIDENTIAL)	By address & roll number	Building Standards	T/E+25	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont. 119
Property file is a reference file comprised of <b>copies</b> of documents so that relevant documents on the property are stored together. Records may include permit application, committee of adjustment file, correspondence, survey or site plan, drawings and all information related to the property. Information also located in Amanda.			Retain as long as building or structure remains in existence + 25 years			
Note: Older building permits are stored in property reference files resulting in a longer retention period for the files.						
INSPECTIONS - BUILDING Reports of inspections carried out with reference to new construction; alterations to existing structures; code violations and other projects, activities or situations requiring inspection.	By roll number & address	Building Standards  By-law Enforcement & Licensing	T/E+25  Retain as long as building or structure remains in existence + 25 years	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.9, Ont.96, Ont.119, Ont.226, Ont.227
DEVELOPMENT ENGINEERING						
DESIGN STANDARDS  Records relating to engineering design standards and reference materials for City of Markham infrastructures.  FOR: AMANDA TEMPLATES	By name of standard	Engineering	T/E+25  Retain as long as building or structure remains in existence + 25 years	Archival Selection	Internal	Ont.10, Ont.96

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SEE: ADMINISTRATION TEMPLATES & FORMS - BLANK						
MUNICIPAL INSPECTIONS/CAQC  Records related to the administration and associated securities performed on new municipal infrastructures (Development and capital Works). Documents may include inspection reports, certificates, construction drawings, correspondence, sewer videos/reports, security reductions/release/calculations and related documentation.	By property address and then by Amanda number	Engineering	T/E+25  Decommissioning of the capital/infrastructure being inspected	Archival Selection	Internal	Ont.10, Ont.96
Records relating to transportation aspects of development applications and the review of strategic and long range transportation planning for a sustainable transportation system including transit, road network transportation and demand management and active transportation. Records may include Transportation Impact Assessments, Functional Traffic Design Studies, Transportation Demand Management Studies, Parking Justification Studies, Environmental Assessment Studies, design, and operational reviews, and copies of Official Plan Review, Master Plans, Secondary Plans, Parking Strategy, Regional & Provincial Transportation Reviews.	By type of report	Engineering	CY+15	Archival Selection	Internal	Ont.12, Ont.13, Ont.14, Ont.95
TRAFFIC CONTROL & OPERATIONS  Records relating to managing traffic control and operations on roadways, including traffic reports and counts.  Records may include: technical traffic studies and investigations, recommendations for traffic control devices, traffic data, street files, traffic	By type of report	Operations - Traffic	CY+15	Destroy	Internal	Ont. 12, Ont. 13

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control signals, traffic calming, red light cameras, performance measures, school safety initiatives (e.g. crossing guards), reports of traffic volumes on streets, roads, bridges, intersections, etc. Diagrams and notes for traffic counts of various streets.						
URBAN POLICY & PLANNING						
OFFICIAL PLAN & AMENDMENTS  The statutory document which sets out the land use policy directions for long-term growth and development in a municipality for plans that are both in effect and not in effect. Records include draft and final "reference" versions of official plans, official plan consolidations and related information.  FOR: PLANNING APPLICATIONS  SEE: PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT & BUILDING — BUILDING PLANNING & ZONING — PLANNING APPLICATIONS	By By-law number adopted by the Official Plan Amendment For Planning: By Application or Project #	Clerk's Office Planning & Urban Design	Permanent	Permanent	Public	Ont.162
MASTER PLANS  Refers to land, environmental, cultural, economic development, recreation, trails, parks, population, housing needs, utilities, human services and community facilities.	By type of plan     Environmental     Growth     Management Plan	Originator	Permanent	Permanent	Public	
numan services and community facilities.	<ul> <li>Integrated Leisure Plan</li> <li>SCADA Master Plan</li> <li>Sustainability Plan (Greenprint)</li> <li>Transportation Plan</li> </ul>					
SECONDARY PLANS  Secondary Plans apply to areas where significant redevelopment is expected. Establishes local development policies to guide growth and development in defined areas where major physical changes are expected.	By By-law number adopted by the official plan amendment	Planning & Urban Design	Permanent	Permanent	Public	

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"M" & "R" PLANS  M Plans are registered plans for subdivisions and show the survey boundaries, lot numbering and dimensions of the lot. R Plans show all land description including division of land.	By plan number	Originator	Permanent	Permanent	Internal	Ont.15, Ont.96
MAPS/PLATS	By type of map:	Originator	Permanent	Permanent	Internal	Ont.107
May include the following categories of maps: community facilities, zoning, flood plain, geologic survey, subdivision, land use, typographic and water and soil.	<ul> <li>Facilities</li> <li>Land Use</li> <li>Official Plan Amendment</li> <li>Site Plan</li> <li>Subdivision</li> </ul>					
RESEARCH AND STUDIES  City initiated studies (Special Planning Studies initiated by the City as background to the preparation of new Planning documents, zoning by-laws, land use studies, etc.), policy research, review and comment on external agencies studies and projects, urban design research, transportation studies background studies, Park Planning and Design Studies, Application related studies. May also include background studies submitted in support of development applications or studies performed by third-parties in which the City of Markham participated,	By project/Amanda number	Originator	CY+15	Archival Selection	Internal	
URBAN DESIGN  Records may include the following: Design Guidelines, Architectural Control guidelines, Staff Initiated Studies, Urban Design Awards, Precinct Plans and Project Charters.	By File number	Planning & Urban Design	CY+15	Archival Selection	Internal	

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PARKS & OPEN SPACE PLANNING						
PARKS AND OPEN SPACE PLANNING Records related to design plans, studies, correspondence, comments etc. related to planning and designing parks for the City of Markham.  FOR PARKS MAINTENANCE SEE:	By project name	Planning & Urban Design/Parks	T/E+25 decommissioning of the park	Archival Selection	Internal	
ASSET MANAGEMENT & MAINTENANCE- PARK/TREES MANAGEMENT						
HERITAGE PLANNING						
Records dealing with the identification and conservation of significant heritage resources which can include buildings, natural resources monuments, structures and landscapes. Records include heritage studies, Markham Register of properties of cultural value or interests, processing heritage designations, Heritage Conservation District (HCD) plans and study files, heritage property reference files, subject files, and heritage property tax rebate files  FOR: HERITAGE PERMITS  SEE: PLANNING APPLICATIONS	By topic	Heritage Planning	Permanent	Permanent	Public	Ont.34, Ont.114, Ont.115, Ont.116, Ont.117
MUNICIPAL ADDRESSING						
STREET NAMES & NUMBERS Includes records relating to road / street names, unit numbers and name changes for municipal buildings, streets, utility stations and parks. Notifications sent out to agencies regarding the proposed and final addressing for corner lots and	By location	Planning & Urban Design	S/O +1	Archival Selection	Public	

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notifications for address confirmation. Includes the original applications and notifications.						

## PROJECT MANAGEMENT

The function of researching, managing, operating and supporting projects within the City of Markham whether Capital projects, IT projects, Environmental projects or Corporate and Ad hoc projects. Project Management is normally reserved for focused, non-repetitive, time-limited activities with some degree of risk, and for activities beyond the usual scope of program (operational) activities." The management of projects "encompasses the structure within which projects are initiated, planned, executed, controlled and closed."

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CAPITAL & INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS	Classify Projects according to Minor, Major or Annual and then follow the following structure					
CAPTIAL & INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS  Records are for capital projects, which are typically large scale and commit large financial resources relative to other investments that involve less planning and resources.	Pre-Initiation	Originator	T/E+25  T/E = file closed after the project has been completed or capital/infrastructur e has been decommissioned	Archival Selection	Internal	Ont.9, Ont.15, Ont.96
	Guidance & Supporting Tools  • List templates ( i.e. capital project forms)  • Design Standards & Specifications  • Manuals & design guidelines	Originator	T/E+25  T/E = file closed after the project has been completed or capital/infrastructur e has been decommissioned	Destroy	Internal	Ont.9, Ont.15, Ont.96
NOTE: Procurement is solely used for capital and infrastructure projects. All other goods and services procurement related activities  SEE: Financial Management -Procurement	Procurement	Originator Purchasing	T/E+25  T/E = file closed after the project has been completed or capital/infrastructur e has been decommissioned	Destroy	Internal	Ont.9, Ont.15, Ont.96

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
	Environmental Assessment  Notifications  Meetings  Communications (email, correspondence)  Technical Reports  Environmental Assessment Report (final release)  Drawings  Value engineering & plans review	Originator	Permanent	Permanent	Internal	Ont.9, Ont.15, Ont.96
	Planning & Design Project Complexity & Risk Assessment Project Plan Project Schedule Design Brief/Council report Meetings (project initiation meetings) Communications - stakeholders, consultants, contractors Utilities Design Standards & Specifications Technical reports (e.g. geotechnical, hydraulic studies, etc.) Approvals and Permits Drawings (for tender purposes – comments to be kept on file until project completed.) Reports Notifications (noise by-law exemptions, notice of construction, temporary left Fluorides)) Stakeholder Responses Final Tender Documents Communications Photographs – Pre Construction	Originator	T/E+25  T/E = file closed after the project has been completed or capital/infrastructur e has been decommissioned	Destroy	Internal	Ont.9, Ont.15, Ont.96

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	Contract Administration	Originator	T/E+25  T/E = file closed after the project has been completed or capital/infrastructur e has been decommissioned	Destroy	Internal	Ont.9, Ont.15, Ont.96
	Substantial Completion & Warranty  • Lessons learned • Benefits Realization Analysis • Substantial Completion • End of project report • Training • Warranty • Drawings – As Built • Operation & Maintenance Manuals (incl. shop drawings) • Legal Review	Originator	T/E+25  T/E = file closed after the project has been completed or capital/infrastructur e has been decommissioned	Archival Selection	Internal	Ont.9, Ont.15, Ont.96
	Construction	Originator	T/E+25  T/E = file closed after the project has been completed or capital/infrastructur e has been decommissioned	Destroy	Internal	Ont.9, Ont.15, Ont.96

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
	Monitoring and Controlling  Status reporting /progress reports  Change Management  Change Requests (tracking & review)  Corrective Actions  Logs – Issues and Daily  Quality management  Risk Management  Deficiency Lists	Originator	T/E+25  T/E = file closed after the project has been completed or capital/infrastructur e has been decommissioned	Destroy	Internal	Ont.9, Ont.15, Ont.96
PROJECT MANAGEMENT – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/ OPERATIONAL/ ADMINISTRATIVE/AD HOC						
PROJECT MANAGEMENT – IT/OPERATIONAL/CORPORATE/AD HOC Project planning for operational/administrative & IT/technology related activities and deliverables.	Initiation     Project Mandate     Business Case     Requirements     specifications     Stakeholder Analysis     Risks Assessment     Project Approval	Originator	T/E+6  T/E = completion or close of project or termination of agreement, decommission of IT system or disposition of technology item	Archival Selection	Internal	
	Procurement	Originator	T/E+6  T/E = completion or close of project or termination of agreement, decommission of IT system or disposition of technology item	Destroy	Internal	
	Contract Administration	Originator	T/E+6  T/E = completion or close of project or termination of agreement,	Destroy	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
	Performance Certificate     Budget		decommission of IT system or disposition of technology item			
	Planning     Project Charter     Project Management Plan     Project Governance     Requirements definition and collection     Budget     Workplan/Schedule     Plans     Resources     Financial     Procurement     Quality assurance     Risk Assessment     Change Management     Stakeholders     Issues Management     Communications     Identify Contractors	Originator	T/E+6  T/E = completion or close of project or termination of agreement, decommission of IT system or disposition of technology item	Destroy	Internal	
	Executing	Originator	T/E+6  T/E = completion or close of project or termination of agreement, decommission of IT system or disposition of technology item	Destroy	Internal	
	<ul> <li>Monitoring &amp; Control</li> <li>Change request tracking</li> <li>Change Request Review</li> <li>Additional project Controls</li> <li>Issue Management</li> <li>Status Reporting</li> <li>Risk Monitoring</li> <li>Quality assurance</li> </ul>	Originator	T/E+6  T/E = completion or close of project or termination of agreement, decommission of IT system or	Destroy	Internal	

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	Commissioning		disposition of technology item			
	Closing Wrap-up meeting Sign-off from project sponsor Lessons Learned Close Contract (If Applicable) Perform Post Implementation Review (Include Impact/Risk Avoidance Report) Project document archive	Originator	T/E+6  T/E = completion or close of project or termination of agreement, decommission of IT system or disposition of technology item	Archival Selection	Internal	

## RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES

This function of managing, operating and supporting sports and other recreational activities, the arts, social and cultural organizations.

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION						
PROGRAM RECORDS  Records relating to sports, recreational, or cultural activities. Records related to creating programs held at any of the City of Markham's cultural institutions (i.e. Theatre, Art Gallery, or Museum) and programs sponsored by the City of Markham, including activity schedules, lesson plans, programs, participants' list, status sheets, scorebooks, rules and regulations, activity planning records and all other similar records.	By name of program  • Aquatics • Community Partnership • Fitness • Seniors • Youth	Recreation Services Markham Theatre Markham Art Gallery Markham Museum	CY+3	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.91 Ont. 119
PROGRAM REGISTRATION & MEMBERSHIPS  These files document registrations and memberships forms, schedules, profiles, program cards including attendance for recreation programs including teams, leagues, camp programs, special events, campgrounds, golf, etc. including delinquent files.  Also includes Art Gallery, Museum, and Theatre program registration and membership records.	By name of person	Recreation Services Markham Theatre Markham Art Gallery Markham Museum	CY+2	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont.91 Ont. 119
ACTIVITY / STATISTICAL REPORTS  These periodic reports generated by the parks and recreation department and may contain narrative and statistical data about the department's programs, activities, services, number of	By name of facility or program	Originator	CY+6	Destroy	Internal	Ont.228

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participants, etc. They may be generated for the entire Parks and Recreation Services department or for a specific function program or facility. May also be generated by the art galleries in Markham to track donation and sponsorship information.						
WAIVERS OF LIABILITY / PARENTAL CONSENTS, INCLUDING PHOTO RELEASES.  SEE: LEGAL/LICENSING/PERMITS – CONSENT RELEASE FORMS & WAIVERS						If an accident occurs to any person covered by a signed waiver of liability, it must be retained for the same period as accident reports
TRAINING RECORDS FOR WATER CERTIFICATIONS  SEE: EMPLOYEE MANAGEMENT - MANDATORY CERTIFICATION TRAINING	By name of participant	Parks & Recreation	T/E+1  T/E = expiry of certification	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont. 119
FACILITY RESERVATIONS - RECREATIONAL						
FACILITY BOOKINGS  Records include copies of permits and bookings issued for the rental of recreational, cultural and administrative facilities for specific activities.  For: Rental Contracts SEE: Legal - Agreements/Contracts/Leases-Executed	By event date	Parks & Recreation Markham Art Gallery Markham Theatre Markham Museum	CY+1	Destroy	Confidential	PIB Ont. 119
CULTURAL ACTIVITIES						
EXHIBITS  Records relating to all aspects of planning and mounting exhibits.  Documents may include research notes, information on design, layout,	By name, then by date of exhibit	Markham Art Gallery Markham Museum	T+6 T= File closed upon completion or	Archival Selection	Internal	

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implementation, and promotions of exhibits, lists of didactics and labels, correspondence, copies of exhibit materials, photographs of exhibits, information about supplies, information relating to exhibit openings, educational programming materials, brochures and/or posters, press releases, and copies of exhibit reviews			closure of exhibit			
PERFORMANCE FILES  Records related coordinating the development and production of performances held at the Markham Theatre. May include any video, photos, or programs for shows at the Markham Theatre.  For Artists contracts SEE: Legal – Agreements/Contracts/Leases - executed	By performance name, then by date (season)	Markham Theatre	T/E+10  T/E=performan ce completed	Archival Selection	Internal	
PUBLIC ART & ART IN CITY OF MARKHAM FACILITIES  Records relating to public art which is owned and displayed by the City of Markham and/or exists on City of Markham property. Art may include paintings, etchings, pictures, tapestries, statuaries, memorial and monument artworks, and other works of art with artistic and/or historical value. May include information relating to artists, designers, competition judges, and the acquisition of art via donations or commissions. Documents may include inventories of public and facilities art collections, photographs relating to the inventory, conservation reports, condition reports, copies of agreements and contracts, and correspondence.	By artist's name and title of work	Markham Art Gallery	S/O+1	Archival Selection	Internal	

Record Series	Filing Methodology	Accountability	Total Retention	Disposition	Security Classification	Citation/ Comments
MUSEUM COLLECTIONS  Records relating to artifact, archival and natural history specimen collections that are owned and displayed by the City of Markham and/or exists on City of Markham property. May include historical objects, art, archaeological materials, archives (paper, photographs, digital and analogue media) and natural history specimens (animal and mineral) with artistic and/or historical value. May include information relating to makers, designers, owners, collectors, excavators, researchers and the acquisition of items via donations, purchase or commissions. Documents may include inventories of collections, photographs relating to the inventory, conservation reports, condition reports, copies of agreements and contracts, appraisals, exhibition and publication history and correspondence.	By Accession number/donor name/Fond	Markham Museum	Permanent	Permanent	Internal	
MUSEUM RESEARCH  Records relating to research and secondary documentation of local and family histories of Markham and area. Records are added to as research is undertaken by staff, volunteers or external groups. Records are collected and information is provided through our research facility to staff and the public. Documents include secondary materials such as genealogical charts/reports, artifact, catalogue records, maps, indexes, service lists, unpublished reports, etc.	Family Name / Subject	Markham Museum	Permanent	Permanent	Public	