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Monday February 5th, 2018 (7:00 to 8:30PM)

## **Working Session for Questions for the Mayor**

### **A. Development in General**

1. What is your comment regarding Markham being way ahead of its growth target, per URA report?
2. What are Markham's plans to deal with traffic problems in the Uville and East Markham area?
3. What financial and other benefits accrue to Markham citizens from all this development?
4. To what degree is Council's attitude to these large developments determined by their opinion on what the OMB will judge?
5. What is the plan for expanding MS Hospital in view of rapid population growth?
6. What do you think about developing a "liveability index" to gauge impact of all this development?
7. What is Markham doing to increase the supply of affordable housing (own or rent)?

### **B. York Downs Development**

8. How is the way that the York Downs application is being managed reflect agreed-upon "Building Markham's Future" philosophy?
9. What flexibility is left to modify the YD proposal in line with URA position?
10. Where is the affordable housing component in York Downs?
11. Why is the city solicitor not in favour of releasing a recommendation report re YD?
12. With respect to YDGC development how can we move away from bad design (i.e Langham Square, Beckett Farm) and more towards good design (Main St Unionville)?

### **C. Other Development in Unionville Area (Main St, Heritage Area, Hwy 7)**

13. Is Uville Main St. going to be totally commercialized, and if so, where is all the parking going to go?
14. What is your opinion on the new development proposed behind Queens Hotel?

15. Why is Markham not complying with 2014 OP Section 8.2.3.5 and the Tree Preservation Bylaw with respect to ALL in-fill housing?
16. Why is Markham encouraging and granting the destruction of Uville/Markham by allowing unplanned/high density development? (eg Unionville Home Society, 20 Varley Drive condo)
17. What is the limit to development on Highway 7? Does 44 stories on Sheridan make sense?

#### D. Other Questions

18. Who organized "home town hockey" to be at Downtown Markham (Remington) versus one of our traditional downtowns?
19. Why is MPAC assessing existing and in-fill houses differently? In-fill houses in Varley Village are being taxed at way under market value and existing 60 year tear down houses are taxed at the current market value (what they might sell for if they will be torn down)
20. Where have all the trash cans gone in Uville historic area?
21. When will the City website get updated? It is very dated and presents a bad face to the world. Has been discussed for a decade now.
22. How is the City going to respond to the new LPAT process? Also, is York region going to set up a Local Appeals Board?
23. Is there a way of improving the Committee of Adjustment process? How about a definition of "minor variance"?
24. What is your opinion on Pacific Mall being a top counterfeit centre?
25. With local residents showing support for issues such as secondary suites (which the Cttee of Adjustment are approving at almost every meeting) and the removal of the cow statue, why are you so adamantly opposed? Are you losing touch with the electorate?
26. Where is Graeme Rouston today and what is he doing?
27. Why is the Mayor of Markham the highest paid mayor in Canada?
28. What are the top three things keeping you awake at night?
29. What do you want your legacy to be?