

REPORT NO. 25 – DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**(1) RECOMMENDED MARKHAM GROWTH
ALTERNATIVE TO 2031 (10.0)**

- 1) That the Report entitled “Recommended Markham Growth Alternative to 2031” dated April 20, 2010, including the attached Figures and Appendices, be received; and,
- 2) That the Compact Disc prepared by the Town Clerk, containing the submissions and emails relating to the Public Information Meeting held on February 16th and 17th, 2010, be received; and,
- 3) That the recommended growth alternative to 2031, as described in the report of November 17, 2009 (Appendix A, to this report) and further discussed in this report, be endorsed as the basis for completing implementing studies, and for preparing a new Town of Markham Official Plan with appropriate conditions with respect to providing and the timing of required infrastructure including transit; and,
- 4) That Staff report on the following studies, when finalized based on the growth alternative to be endorsed by Council:
 - Markham Strategic Transportation Plan;
 - Markham Master Servicing Study;
 - Financial Analysis;
 - Greenhouse Gas Emissions Study;
 - Employment Lands Intensification Study; and
 - Affordable and Special Needs Housing Strategy Study; and,
- 5) That Staff report back on possible options to assist Council in a decision regarding commencing a formal process to review adding lands to the Provincial Greenbelt; and,
- 6) That Staff report back on work and public consultation to be undertaken in preparing a new Town of Markham Official Plan; and,

- 7) That copies of this report and the decision of Council with respect to a preferred growth alternative for Markham, be forwarded to the Region of York and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing; and,
- 8) That staff be directed to report back to the Development Services Committee by June 2010 with respect to the Town of Markham requesting the Province of Ontario to expand the Greenbelt for permanent protection of the Class One Agricultural Lands for the purpose of a foodbelt within the remaining whitebelt lands (after the approval of the staff recommended 60% growth alternative); and,
- 9) That staff be directed to report back to the Development Services Committee by June 2010 with respect to reviewing options of further protection of the agriculture lands in the whitebelt area that will provide for 40 year protection of no development (north and east areas of Markham); and further,
- 10) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.



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Town Clerk

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