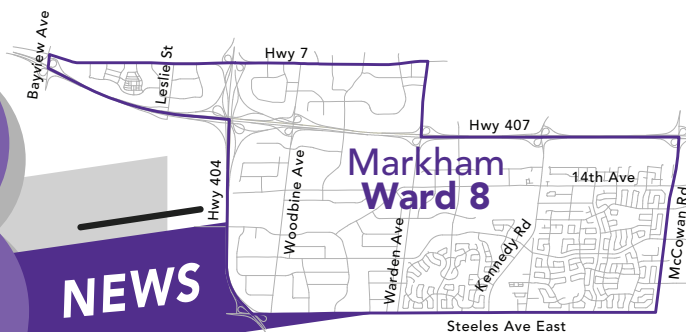




YOUR WARD

NEWS



Isa Lee Ward 8 Councillor



Spring / Summer 2019

OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS, I HAVE:

- Connected residents with York Regional Police to establish a new Neighbourhood Watch Program in Ward 8
- Voted in Council to opt-out of having retail cannabis stores within the City of Markham
- Held Community Meetings for Residents to discuss potential development opportunities within our neighbourhood
- Revisited current park bench allocations and made new bench additions
- Made site visits to City of Markham facilities to understand city operations
- Met with community groups, ratepayers, non-profit organizations and residents to hear about their suggestions to improve the community

Dear Residents,

I am honoured to be elected to represent you in Council. I would like to thank you for your support along the way. I am especially thankful for the Mayor, Members of Council and all City staff for helping me transition smoothly into my new role, allowing me to spend time on local issues that addresses residents' needs.

Over the last few months, I have met with residents, businesses, and non-profit organizations in our ward, listening to their concerns and addressing their issues. In the coming months, I look forward to hearing from you, being your voice in Council and working together to build Markham.

Since I was sworn into office, I have been appointed Vice-Chair of Community Services Committee, which oversees the planning and operation of all city services. As your local ward Councillor, I am representing you in the newly formed Milliken Mills and Thornhill Sub-Committees that will carry a more neighbourhood focused discussion on city development. I will also be involved in the Advisory Committee on Accessibility, Mayor's Youth Council, Race Relations Committee, Cycling & Pedestrian Advisory Committee and the Markham-Milliken Children's Festival Committee. As your



local representative, my door is always open for all residents who have any suggestions or feedback they would like to voice in these committees.

I would like to invite you to my first community BBQ at Armadale Community Centre on September 7, 2019, between 2 – 4pm. This will be a great opportunity for us to meet, and mingle with our neighbours. I look forward to meeting you there, rain or shine.

I wish you all have a wonderful and fun-filled summer!

Yours Sincerely,

Isa Lee

Councillor Isa Lee
Ward 8
City of Markham



INVITATION
ISA LEE COMMUNITY BBQ



Armadale
Community Centre

Sept. 7, 19 (2-4 PM)

Subscribe to our eNewsletter at www.isalee.ca

ROADS

SLOW DOWN! KEEP OUR ROADS SAFE

Speed advisory display boards help educate and modify driver behaviour by reducing vehicle speeds in our community. Data collected from the display boards over the past several years has shown that, while deployed, vehicle speeds can be reduced by up to 20%.

Please see the latest locations of the speed advisory display boards in Ward 8:

April – June 2019:

- > Wilclay Ave – Between Cartmel Dr & Brimley Rd
- > South Park Rd – Between Pond Dr & Park Common Blvd
- > Cartmel Dr – Between Highglen Ave & Randall Ave

For more information on the program, please refer to the City's Traffic Engineering website at <http://www.markham.ca/traffic>, and click on "Speed Management".

ROADS UNDERGOING CONCRETE / ASPHALT RESURFACING

Here are the streets within Ward 8 that are included in the 2019 Road Rehabilitation Program.

| STREET | FROM | TO |
|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Birchmount Rd | 14th Ave | Denison St |
| Esna Park Dr | Denison St | Telson Rd |
| Caldbeck Ave | 14th Ave | Highglen Ave |
| Wincanton Rd | Springfield Dr | Caldbeck Ave |
| Springfield Dr | Caldbeck Ave | Highglen Ave |
| Abelson Crt | Springfield Dr | End |
| 14th Ave | Rodick Rd | Hobbs Gate |

COMMUNITIES

RENOVATIONS, NEW PROGRAMS AND MORE AT OUR RECREATION CENTRES

Milliken Mills Community Centre and Library

Pool Renovation

In July 2019, the Milliken Mills Pool will be closed for 6 months to undergo an exciting renovation and transformation to support the changing needs of our community. Feedback from users have provided valuable information that led to the development of a space that is inclusive and welcoming for all residents. The project is expected to be completed in the winter of 2020.

During this closure, please visit any of our other pools to continue swimming. The closest pools are located at the Aaniin Community Centre and the Pan Am Centre.

Armada Community Centre

First Full-Year Program

Armada Community Centre will be offering a brand new – Full Year Taekwondo program. This is the first time the City has piloted a program of this length. It offers the participants an opportunity to register 1 time and ensure they have a spot for the whole year to help them develop their skills and progress through levels. The program is being offered in partnership with Fusion Taekwondo, currently offering Taekwondo at other City of Markham Community Centres. You can find more information in Markham Life Magazine.



What's New in Our Parks?

- Phase 2 of the Leitchcroft/ Saddlecreek Community Park was substantially completed late last year and will be ready for use in late Spring 2019. Phase 2 includes a new playground, shade structure, parking lot, and plantings.
- The park pavilion and washroom building for the Leitchcroft Park is currently at the design stage. Construction start is targeted for next Spring, and completion is expected in Spring 2021.

BY-LAWS



CANNABIS BY-LAW

Markham Council passed a new Cannabis By-law that further protects the health and well-being of Markham residents, and ensures local community needs and concerns are fully addressed.

What does this mean for Markham Residents?

1. Smoking and vaporizing recreational cannabis are prohibited in all public places in Markham
2. Offenders may be subject to fines or penalties of up to \$1000
3. Medical cannabis use is exempt from this by-law and subject to relevant federal and provincial legislation

Cannabis consumption is generally restricted to private residences.

No person shall smoke or vaporize cannabis, or hold or otherwise use lighted cannabis in any public place



BE TICK SMART THIS SUMMER!

One of the easiest tick repellents for your yard is simple lawn maintenance. Ticks generally cling to plants that are at least a foot tall. Keep your lawn below six inches. It's the law.

Remember, grass clippings are not accepted for curbside collection. Mulching them and leaving them on the lawn creates a natural fertilizer & keeps those weeds away.



SHORT TERM RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS (HOME SHARING) AND ASSOCIATED PUBLIC NUISANCE BY-LAW

Markham City Council amended a series of Zoning By-Laws to define and effectively prohibit short-term rental accommodations within the City. Along with those amendments, Council passed a Public Nuisance By-law, which provides police and Markham By-law Enforcement Officers with additional enforcement options to address the negative impacts on neighbourhoods associated with some short-term rental accommodation operations (i.e. noise, littering, loitering, disorderly conduct). The City enforces short-term rental accommodations on an individual complaint basis. The enforcement process followed depends on the nature of the complaint received. The City's By-Law Enforcement officers may enforce the Public Nuisance By-Law. However, through an understanding with York Regional Police, public nuisances relating to short-term rental accommodations (i.e. house parties) may also be investigated and prosecuted by the police.

Learn more: <https://www.markham.ca/wps/portal/home/about/city-hall/bylaws/bylaw>

Contact us: 905.477.7000 or customerservice@markham.ca



YourVoice
Markham

Join the Conversation on yourvoicemarkham.ca

The City of Markham has launched Your Voice Markham, a new and unique online platform that allows residents to provide feedback on City matters. By sharing your thoughts and ideas on this platform, you have an opportunity to influence planning and other important City decisions. To be a part of the process, head to yourvoicemarkham.ca and let us know what ideas you have for the future of Markham.



Volunteered to support fundraising for the Ronald McDonald House Family Room at Markham Stouffville Hospital.



Distributed certificates to Human Endeavour's Seniors Wellness program volunteers to recognize their dedication and hard work.



Honouring TransCanada for donating to our Fire Services to purchase a household fire simulator, an essential and effective system for fire prevention education.



Attended the Alex Chiu Pool Naming Ceremony at the Milliken Mills Community Centre. The pool name was changed in honour of former Councillor Alex Chiu's 33 years of service for residents in Ward 8.

Milliken Mills Library LOOKING FOR A WAY TO ENRICH YOURSELVES THIS SUMMER?



TD Summer Reading Club

Every summer, Markham Public Library takes part in the TD Summer Reading Club. The goal is to maintain children's reading level throughout the summer. Children get a Summer Reading Club Badge and track the books they've read and have opportunities to win prizes for reading. Register at the library to obtain the TD SRC notebook to kick start the summer reading. The 2019 TD Summer Reading Club starts July 2.

Acing Your Interview

Get to know recruiter interview secrets. Gain an insight on behavioral and situational job interview methods favoured by hiring professionals. Champion employer meetings and turn job interviews into job offers by using the STAR technique!

Wednesday, July 31 9:30 – 11:30 am **or**
Wednesday, August 21 6:00 – 7:30 pm

To register or for more information, please visit the library, or email mplcommunitylibrarians@markham.library.on.ca

Borrow Tools, Appliances And Even Toys At Our Milliken Mills Library

The Lendery makes available a wide range of items like tools or small appliances that may be borrowed instead of purchased. Next time you need an Instant Pot, Cordless Drill, or Pasta Maker, borrow it with your library card. It's ideal for items that you may only use occasionally or try it before making a purchase. The Lendery is a pilot program currently available only in the Milliken Mills - Markham Public Library.

Children learn best through play. The Toy Library at Milliken Mills and Aaniin branches supports learning through play by lending educational toys that support a variety of skills including language and vocabulary development, literacy, numeracy and critical thinking. Toys can be checked out for 3 weeks. Due to the popular demand for this collection, toys cannot be reserved (placed on hold) and cannot be renewed.



FSC ICON

Contact Centre: If you have an issue regarding City of Markham's services, programs, or inquiries (e.g. by-laws, license, garbage, recycling, trees, roads) please contact the City's Contact Centre at (905) 477-5530 or customerservice@markham.ca.

Recruiting Residents to Join Neighbourhood Watch in Ward 8

It takes many different people working together to successfully build a safe Neighbourhood. If you would like to be part of the Ward 8 Neighbourhood Watch program, please register via neighbourhoodwatchward8@gmail.com



Invitation Crime Prevention Workshop

Milliken Mills Community Centre
Aug. 4, 2019
3 - 5 PM



Celebrated 10,000 Trees' 30th anniversary at their special Ceremonial Tree Planting event. Over the last 30 years, 10,000 Trees has reclaimed 200 acres of fragile watershed lands and have planted more than 200,000 trees and shrubs to create a greener and healthier environment for us all.

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Philippine Independence Day Celebration / Monument Unveiling

June 9 (Parade begins 9:30am at Box Grove Bypass and Copper Creek Dr)

Taste of Asia

June 28 – 30
Kennedy Road (North of Steeles)

Canada Day

July 1 (Various events taking place in multiple locations.
Please check the City's website for more information)

Markham - Milliken Children's Festival

August 24 (10am – 7pm)
Aaniin Community Centre & Library - 5665 14th Ave.

Councillor Isa Lee Community BBQ

September 7 (2 – 4pm)
Armada Community Centre - 2401 Denison St.

Doors Open Markham

September 7 (10am – 4pm)

Markham Cycling Day

September 22 (8am – 3pm)
Markham Civic Centre - 101 Town Centre Blvd.