
Report of the Chief Administrative Officer

Provincial Review of Regional Government – 2019 Summary & 2023 Preparedness

1. Recommendation

Council establish a Governance Task Force and approve an appropriate terms of reference once the Province formally announces a facilitator(s) for York Region.

2. Purpose

This report provides Council with a summary of York Region’s response to the 2019 Provincial governance review in preparation for the 2023 Provincial Regional Review announced in May 2023.

Key Points:

- York Region participated fully in the 2019 Provincial Governance Review
- Council established a Governance Task Force to guide the 2019 Provincial Governance Review
- York Region has demonstrated a strong commitment to working in partnership with Local Municipalities on service delivery and finding efficiencies – a practice encouraged by elected representatives of local Councils forming Regional Council
- York Region has a culture based on continuous improvement

3. Background

York Region actively participated in the 2019 Provincial Governance Review

On [January 15, 2019](#), the Province announced a review of regional governments with a mandate to assess whether the current groupings of regional and municipal governments are working efficiently

and effectively. The Province tasked two special advisors, Michael Fenn and Ken Seiling, to conduct this review. This review was completed by September 2019 with recommendations focused on governance, decision-making and service delivery provided directly to the Province. To date, recommendations related to this work have not been released.

2019 Regional Governance Review focused on responding to specific questions

The mandate for the Province's [2019 Regional Governance Review](#) focused on a series of questions, including:

Questions on municipal governance and decision-making;

- a. Is the decision-making (mechanisms and priorities) of upper- and lower-tier municipalities efficiently aligned?
- b. Does the existing model support the capacity of the municipalities to make decisions efficiently?
- c. Are two-tier structures appropriate for all of these municipalities?
- d. Does the distribution of councillors represent the residents well?
- e. Do the ways that regional councillors/heads of council get elected/appointed to serve on regional council help to align lower- and upper-tier priorities?

Questions on municipal service delivery;

- a. Is there opportunity for more efficient allocation of various service responsibilities?
- b. Is there duplication of activities?
- c. Are there opportunities for cost savings?
- d. Are there barriers to making effective and responsive infrastructure and service delivery decisions?

Council established a Governance Task Force to participate in the review

At the Regional Council meeting on [February 28, 2019](#), Council approved the Terms of Reference for a Governance Task Force to address the review mandate set by the Province. The task force met on [March 21, 2019](#) and [April 18, 2019](#) and included Mayors from all nine local municipalities and the Regional Chairman.

On [May 16, 2019](#), Council approved a resolution that supported the current two-tier government as a means to deliver critical infrastructure and consistent service levels across all York Region communities. This resolution was shared with the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Special Advisors, local MPPs, local municipal Councils and was made publicly available.

A majority (9 of 10) of affected municipalities passed resolutions in favour of maintaining the existing two-tier municipal government model within York Region (Appendix A). Partners felt that the two-tier structure aligned well with the Ontario government's priorities, both generally and as part of the regional government review, to reduce red tape, improve service delivery for citizens and create a competitive environment through economic opportunity and job creation.

Province announces dissolution of Peel Region by January 2025

On [May 18, 2023](#), the Province introduced the *Hazel McCallion Act* to dissolve the Regional Municipality of Peel and make the municipalities of Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon independent. On [June 8, 2023](#), the *Hazel McCallion Act* received Royal Assent.

[Bill 112](#), *Hazel McCallion Act (Peel Dissolution)*, 2023 states the following:

- Respect and support the effective administration of local governance.
- Recognize that municipalities should be empowered with the tools needed to plan for population growth, including the tools needed to build more housing options, and should work together fairly and in good partnership with neighbouring municipalities.
- Understand that safe communities and the delivery of effective frontline services are key pillars of local government, including by preserving frontline workers.
- Appreciate the importance of value for money and high-quality services delivered in an efficient manner for taxpayers.
- Acknowledge that where there are shared assets and services, municipalities should be treated in an equitable and fair manner whereby all residents, regardless of where they live, are respected and have access to excellent services.

On [July 5, 2023](#), the Province appointed the [Peel Transition Board](#) to oversee dissolution. Peel Region has committed to sharing information on their [public website](#) throughout this transformation.

York Region will be working closely with Peel Region throughout the transition to prevent service disruptions and protect contract and program relationships as reported to Council on [June 15, 2023](#).

Province announces intent to review Upper-Tier Government in 2023

On [May 18, 2023](#), the Province committed to assessing the upper-tier municipalities of Durham, Halton, Niagara, Simcoe, Waterloo and York by appointing Provincial facilitators.

At the Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference on [August 22, 2023](#), the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing announced that the Province intends to appoint regional facilitators in Durham, Halton, Niagara, Waterloo, York and Simcoe County by September 11, 2023. The Minister stated the facilitators will be tasked with assessing local governance structures to ensure they are

prepared to support future growth and meet the needs of residents, particularly building homes and housing-enabling infrastructure.

4. Analysis

York Region and Local Municipal partners have a successful history of complementary service delivery

For over 50 years, York Region has collaborated with local partners and all levels of government to provide residents with high-quality public services.

Table 1 lists the critical services provided to York Region residents seamlessly through the current two-tier government structure. York Region, as an upper tier municipality, provides cost-effective, quality services throughout all nine local municipalities, such as Children’s and Court Services, Housing, Long Term Care, Paramedic and Police Services, Public Health, Social Assistance, Public Transit, Water and Waste Treatment, to name a few.

Table 1
Partnership in Service Delivery to York Region Residents

Regional Services	Local Municipal Services	Integrated Services
*Denotes services that are Provincially mandated and/or funded		Regional & Local Municipal
Children’s Services *	Building	By-law Enforcement
Community Housing *	Fire	Borrowing/Tax Collection
Court Services *	Libraries	Economic Development
Development Services	Licensing	Emergency Planning
Forestry	Parks, Recreation and Heritage	Roads
Long-Term Care *	Planning	Waste Management
Paramedic Services *	Stormwater Drainage and Management	Water
Police Services		
Public Health *		
Social Assistance *		
Transit		

York Region has partnered with some or all local municipalities in sharing services or joint procurements. Appendix B provides a snapshot (not an exhaustive list) of recent examples of shared procurements and collaborations between York Region and local municipalities. Most notably, the Northern Six (N6) municipalities have collaborated successfully in several service areas to realize cost savings and efficiencies.

Local Municipalities demonstrated fiscal responsibility by accountably delivering services directly to their residents and/or through shared service agreements and partnerships with other municipalities to realize efficiencies through economies of scale for cost effective delivery of services.

York Region demonstrates accountability and commitment to continuous improvement

As our communities continue to grow to more than 2 million residents by 2051, York Region welcomes the opportunity to work with the Government of Ontario and our nine cities and towns to consider the best mix of roles and responsibilities between upper and lower tier municipalities, particularly in delivering on housing pledges and ensuring the seamless delivery of cross-jurisdictional services.

York Region is proud to have a strong culture of continuous improvement and accountability. York Region’s record of delivering critical infrastructure and services to our communities and residents has served as a strength for the organization and will set the foundation for this most recent review of our two-tiered governance model. (Table 2)

While awaiting the announcement of a provincially appointed facilitator, York Region’s top priority remains the efficient delivery of 15 core programs and services that support the economic strength, social viability and overall well-being of our communities.

Table 2

York Region Accountability and Commitment to Continuous Improvement

Resource	Purpose
Vision	<p>Demonstrates Regional Council's Vision of strong, caring, safe communities is one that represents all of York Region - our organization, our partners, our residents and businesses. It is an aspiration, painting the picture of our shared hopes for generations to come.</p> <p>Vision also serves as the guiding document for the Region’s provincially mandated plans such as the Regional Official Plan and the Community Safety and Well-being Plan.</p>

Resource	Purpose
2023-2027 Strategic Plan	Demonstrates York Region’s accountability to Council and the public on tracking and reporting of objectives, key activities and performance measures during the term of Council
Multi Year Budget	Demonstrates York Region’s commitment to providing a 4-year budget cycle outlook for operating and capital budgets to align spending with priorities in the Strategic Plan – this provides greater clarity about activities and funding in future years and improves fiscal discipline
Accountability Framework	York Region adheres to an accountability framework focused on turning our plans into action to achieve Council’s commitments to our communities. The framework provides clarity on how York Region’s Vision, Strategic Plan, Multi-Year Budget, Departmental Plans and Individual Performance Plans align.
York Region Community and Annual Reports	Demonstrates York Region’s accountability in building and maintaining strong, safe and caring communities in partnership with Council, staff and community partners
Corporate Continuous Improvement	Demonstrates York Region’s discipline of continuous improvement embedded within the culture of day-to-day operations. Rising to the Challenge: Innovation at York Region (June 2023) provides a collection of new solutions, processes and operation improvements that have helped solve complex challenges and improved the ways York Region delivers core programs and services.
York Region Inventory of Municipal Collaborations	Demonstrates effective partnerships with, and between, local municipalities to ensure the cost effective, efficient and collaborative delivery of services to residents (Appendix B)
3 rd Party Certifications	Demonstrates the high quality of York Region services as recognized through multiple 3rd party certifications (Appendix C)

York Region has strengthened service delivery since 2019 review

The 2019 provincial review provided an opportunity to reflect on York Region and Local Municipal collaborations and identified opportunities to strengthen partnerships in some areas. Since 2019, York Region has demonstrated leadership in adapting and responding to a number of local municipal partnership opportunities including:

- [Bill 108](#), *More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019*
- [Bill 23](#), *More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022*
 - [York Region Impacts](#) of *More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 (Bill 23)*
 - Amendments to the *Development Charges Act, 1997*
- Updated York Region [Development Charges Bylaw](#) (May 2022)
- Approved [2022 Regional Official Plan](#)
- [Supporting Growth and Housing in York and Durham Regions, 2022](#) (Upper York Sewage Solutions)
- [Development Application Tracking](#) mechanisms to support growth (YorkTrax) - partnering with local municipalities
- [Rental Housing Incentives](#)
- [Community Safety and Well Being Plan](#)
- [Community Data Resources](#)

Specific areas of desired improvement related to land use planning approvals have been subsequently addressed in provincial legislation. Regional staff have worked closely with local counterparts to improve on data communication for uninterrupted service delivery.

5. Financial Considerations

There are currently no financial impacts associated with this report. However, any future decisions on service delivery should, according to the Provincial Review mandate, be premised on improving efficiencies wherever possible.

6. Local Impact

The outcomes of service delivery discussions and the Provincial Review may result in changes to local and/or regional services.

7. Conclusion and Next Steps

York Region is committed to collaborating with local partners and all levels of government to provide residents with high-quality, cost-effective public services that respect our taxpayers. York Region is proud to have a strong culture of continuous improvement and accountability while delivering critical infrastructure and services to our communities and residents.

While awaiting the announcement of a provincially appointed facilitator, York Region's priority remains the efficient delivery of core programs and services that support the economic strength, social viability and overall well-being of our communities.

Staff will continue to monitor and assess the impacts of Peel Region’s dissolution on York Region.

Updates will be provided to Council as the Province releases further details on York Region’s facilitator(s), guidelines and mandate. Once the Province formally announces a facilitator(s) for York Region, it is recommended Council establish a Governance Task Force with appropriate terms of reference.

For more information on this report, please contact Bruce Macgregor, Chief Administrative Officer 1-877-464-9675 ext. 71200. Accessible formats or communication supports are available upon request.



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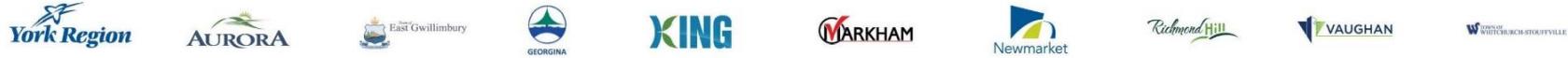
Appendix A – 2019 Council Resolutions Endorsing Two-Tier Governance Structure
Appendix B – Inventory of Municipal Collaborations
Appendix C – York Region 3rd Party Certifications

2019 Council Resolutions Endorsing Two-Tier Governance Structure

Municipality	Council Resolution
York Region	May 16, 2019
Town of Aurora	June 25, 2019
Town of East Gwillimbury	May 22, 2019
Town of Georgina	May 15, 2019
Township of King	May 13, 2019
City of Markham	n/a June 11, 2019 – received York Region resolution
Town of Newmarket	April 8, 2019
City of Richmond Hill	May 7, 2019
City of Vaughan	May 7, 2019
Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville	May 7, 2019

YORK REGION - INVENTORY OF MUNICIPAL COLLABORATION (REVISED AUGUST 2023)

This table provides a listing of municipal collaboration, including shared services, joint procurements and unique service offerings. This list was initially created in preparation for the 2019 Regional Governance Review and has been updated in preparation for the anticipated 2023 Regional Governance Review by the Province. This table is not an exhaustive list of collaboration as it does not include the numerous municipal, internal and external working groups that service areas become involved with as part of their ongoing program delivery.



	Start Date	York Region	Aurora	East Gwillimbury	Georgina	King	Markham	Newmarket	Richmond Hill	Vaughan	Whitchurch - Stouffville	Other
SERVICES:												
1	Audit Services:											
	N6 Audit Services Agreement	2005	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
	Richmond Hill Audit Services Agreement	2012	✓						✓			
2	Economic Development:											
	York Small Business Enterprise Centre (YSBEC)	2002	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
	York Link marketing and support	2016	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Agriculture and Agri-Food Strategy / Advisory Committee	2017	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Broadband expansion through York Telecom Network (YorkNet)	2022	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Foreign Direct Investment attraction program	2022	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
3	Data & Analytics:											
	YorkInfo Partnership (YIP)	1996	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YRP, School Boards, Conservation Authorities
	- Maintain Foundational Data (parcels, addresses, 911 support)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	- Joint Data Purchases (Region Coordinates)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	- Data Sharing to Support Operations		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	- GIS / Data Training (free to Partners)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Open Data Program	2018, 2019	✓				✓ (2019)	✓ (2018)				
	York Region Data Consortium	2005	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Mackenzie Health, YMCA, United Way, YCDSB, YRDSB, YRP, York University
4	Emergency Planning & Preparedness:											
	Community Emergency Management Coordinators Committee (CEMC)	2004	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YRP, Conservation Authorities, Red Cross, OPP, Hydro Agencies
	Fire Safety Education (Community Safety Village)	2005	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YRP
	Emergency Management Shared Services Agreement	2018	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
	Business Continuity (Dedicated Service Agreement) with YRP	2023	✓									YRP
5	Social Services:											
	Homelessness Community Programs	2023	✓					✓	✓			
	Children's Services Family Strengthening Programs	2000	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Early On Mobile Sites	2018	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
6	COVID Immunization Clinics	2021-2022	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
7	Central York Fire Services amalgamation	2002		✓				✓				
8	Animal Control Services*	2019		✓		✓	✓	✓		✓		
9	Animal Shelter Services**	2018		✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
10	Diversity, Inclusion & Accessibility:											
	AODA Customer Services Standards Training - training video sharing	2008/2009	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YRP

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Accessibility Standards for Customer Service (N6)	2010		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	
11 Municipal Diversity and Inclusion Group - Inclusive Language Guide - Anti-hate campaign #ENDHATEYR	2016	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YRP, YCDSB, YRDSB, Hospitals Conservation Authorities, United Way, Community Agencies
12 York Region Municipal Customer Services Best Practices Group	2022	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
13 Community Inclusion Charter	2018	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YRP, YCDSB, YRDSB, Hospitals Conservation Authorities, United Way, Community Agencies
14 Community Safety and Well-Being Plan	2022	✓			✓		✓	✓	✓			YRP, Human Services Planning Board of York Region (HSPB)
15 Drinking Water Quality Management System (Cooperative Committee to conduct internal audits of respective Water Systems)	2010/2011		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	
16 Insurance and Risk Management: Insurance and Risk Management Services Review	2011		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	
Risk Management Working Group	2011	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Insurance Pooling Project (Working Group)	2021	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
17 Training and Development: N6 Leadership Calendar and Annual Symposium	2004		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	
Annual Local Municipal Workshop	2008	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YRP
18 Land Use and Infrastructure Planning: Employment Survey	1998	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Servicing Assignment / Allocation Program	2005	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Climate Change Working Group	2012	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
York Trax (Development Tracking System)	2018	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
JOINT PROCUREMENTS:												
19 Group Benefits Provider	1-Jan-2015	✓	✓	✓			<i>Simcoe County Umbrella</i>	✓	✓			
	1-Jan-2023	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓			
20 The Portal (internal intranet)	Feb-2009	✓						✓				
21 Website redevelopment	2012/2013		✓					✓			✓	
22 Waste Management Waste Collection Contract	1-Jan-2018		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	
Green, Blue Bins and Composters (new bid in progress)	2-Feb-2013		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	
Waste Collection Calendars	5-Jul-2017		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	
23 Municipal Election Compliance Auditor	1-Jan-2015		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	14-Sep-2022		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
24 Supply and Delivery of Office Supplies	1-Oct-2015	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
25 Office Paper	1-Jan-2016	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YRP, CCAC, YCDSB, YRDSB
	1-Jan-2023	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YRP, YCDSB, YRDSB
26 Supply, Delivery & Removal of Printer and Fax Consumables	15-Sep-2014	✓			✓		<i>Piggy Back Users</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	YRP, Central CCAC, CC, VPL, YCDSB, YRDSB

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27	Purchasing Card (P-Card) Program	26-Mar-2015	✓					✓				
28	Supply and Delivery of Gasoline and Diesel Fuels	1-Jan-2015	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YRP, YCDSB
29	Propane Cylinders	1-Nov-2014		✓				✓	✓			YRP
		10-Jan-2020		✓				✓	✓			YRP
30	Vehicle and Heavy Equipment Rental Registry	1-Mar-2016	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YRP, CCAC, Power Stream INC., Central LHIN CSS Network, YCDSB, YRDSB
		1-Mar-2024	✓	✓		✓		✓				
31	Asphalt Material Registry	1-Jan-2012	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		6-Jan-2017	✓	✓				✓		✓		
		1-Jan-2022	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	
32	Granular Materials Registry	1-Apr-2014	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓		✓	
		1-Apr-2016	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
		1-Apr-2018	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
		1-Apr-2022	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
		1-Apr-2024	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
33	Supply, Delivery and Mixing of Screened Sand on Site and Stockpiling	30-Sep-2015	✓	✓				✓		✓	✓	
		1-Sep-2018		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	
34	Claims Adjuster	1-Jan-2017		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
35	Caretaking/Custodial Supplies	10-Sep-2011	✓	✓				✓				CCAC, YRP, YCDSB, YRDSB
		1-Apr-2017	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓		YRP, YCDSB, YRDSB
		1-Apr-2022		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		YRP, YCDSB, YRDSB
36	Portable Toilets	5-Apr-2016						✓	✓	✓		
37	Pool Chemicals	1-May-2012		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
		1-Jun-2016		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓		
		1-Jul-2022		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓		
38	Supply and Delivery of Bulk Sodium Chloride	28-Mar-2017	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
39	Uni-directional Flushing	22-Apr-2015	✓		✓			✓				
40	Sewer Flushing & CCTV Services	1-Jun-2018			✓	✓		✓			✓	
41	Drinking Water Quality Management Standard Internal Audit and Training Services	8-Jun-2018		✓				✓				
42	Nomex Fire Suppression Uniforms	8-Nov-2018		CYFS				CYFS	RHFES			
43	Textile Collection	1-Oct-2018		✓				✓			✓	
44	External Audit Services	TBD - bid in progress	✓			✓			✓			
45	Winter Sand Supply Services	TBD - bid in progress	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
46	Off Site Records Storage and Retrieval Services	1-Oct-2013	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	CCAC, YRDSB, YCDSB, YRP
47	Landscape Maintenance	1-Apr-2022		✓					✓			
48	Waterworks and Sewer Materials	1-Jan-2019		✓				✓				
		1-Jan-2022		✓				✓				
49	After Hours Call Answering Service	1-Jul-2021		✓				✓				
50	Supply and Delivery of Winter Salt	1-Oct-2022	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
51	Armoured Car Services	10-Jun-2020		✓				✓	✓		✓	
52	Municipal Forestry Services	13-Jul-2020				✓	✓					

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53	Insurance and Risk Management	1-Jan-2022	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	
54	Medical Supplies	11-Oct-2019			✓				✓	✓		
55	Crossing Guard Services	1-Sep-2019	✓								✓	
56	Supply and Delivery of Gasoline and Diesel Fuels	1-Jan-2020	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	YRP
57	Geotechnical and Material Testing Services	4-Jul-2019			✓			✓				
58	Firefighter Bunker Boots	30-Jan-2019						✓	✓			
59	Insurance Broker Services	1-Jan-2019	✓						✓			

Notes:

- ✓ indicates those municipalities that participate in each collaboration above
 - YRP (York Regional Police)
 - YCDSB (York Catholic District School Board)
 - YRDSB (York Region District School Board)
 - CCAC (Community Care Access Centre)
 - YRDSB (York Region District School Board)
 - LHIN (Local Health Integration Network)
 - CC (Community Centers)
 - VPL (Vaughan Public Libraries)
 - RHFES (Richmond Hill Fire & Emergency Services)
 - CYFS (Central York Fire Services)
 - YMCA (YMCA of Greater Toronto)

*#6 Animal Control Services – partnership between Aurora, Newmarket and Georgina (Aurora is the lead), Vaughan delivers service to King Township.

** #7 Animal Shelter Services – partnership between Aurora, Newmarket, East Gwillimbury and Georgina (Georgina is the Lead), Vaughan delivers service to King Township.

List is not exhaustive

YORK REGION 3RD PARTY CERTIFICATIONS

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR STRATEGY PROFESSIONALS:

2023 Goodman Award for Excellence in Strategy

ONTARIO DRINKING WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT STANDARD, 2018:

Water

GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION (GFOA) AWARDS, 2022 – 2023:

Awards received for high quality budget and financial reporting documents that promote accessibility and understandability of financial information:

- Distinguished Budget Presentation Award, 2022 – received for 18 consecutive years
- Canadian Award for Financial Reporting (CANFR), 2021 – received for 25 consecutive years
- Popular Annual Financial Reporting Award (PAFR), 2022

S&P GLOBAL:

AAA Rating

EXCELLENCE CANADA, 2018:

Excellence Standard Gold level Certification York Region Public Health

COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF REHABILITATION FACILITIES (CARF), 2023 – 2026:

Long-term Care Homes, Adult Day Programs and Psychogeriatric Resource Consultant Programs

REGISTERED NURSES ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO BEST PRACTICE SPOTLIGHT ORGANIZATION, 2021 – 2023:

Child and Family Health

ISO9001 QUALITY MANAGEMENT STANDARD, 2015:

Water

ISO9001 QUALITY MANAGEMENT STANDARD:

Waste Management

ISO14001 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT STANDARD, 2015:

Wastewater

ISO14001 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT STANDARD:

Waste Management

ARBOUR DAY FOUNDATION AND THE UNITED NATIONS FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION:

Tree City of the World Designation

FOREST STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL OF CANADA CERTIFICATION, 2000:

York Regional Forest

LEED CERTIFICATION:

- Bill Fisch Forest Stewardship and Education Centre, Platinum Certification 2017
- 17150 Yonge Street, Gold Certification, 2022

RICK HANSON FOUNDATION ACCESSIBILITY CERTIFICATION, 2022:

17150 Yonge Street certified for accessibility and inclusivity

FORBES LIST OF CANADA TOP EMPLOYERS:

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