

# O'Donnell withdraws from regional council race

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Regional Councillor Bill O'Donnell is out of the municipal election.

After serving four consecutive terms on Markham and regional council, Mr. O'Donnell, 64, is withdrawing his nomination.

"It is with mixed emotion that I will not seek re-election as regional councillor," he said. "I have thoroughly enjoyed the last 12 years on Markham council.

"After much thought and discussion with my family, I have decided to put my energies into other ventures and opportunities within the community."

Mr. O'Donnell hinted he would get into the cellphone business.

First elected in 1994 as a ward representative for Thornhill, he was elected regional councillor in 2000 and 2003.

Most recently, he served as chairperson of York Region's transportation and

works committee and was a member of the rapid transit steering committee. He was also a regional representative on the Toronto and York Region Conservation Authority.

A former IBM executive, he was a Markham Energy Corporation board member and on the Markham Mobility Foundation committee.

Mr. O'Donnell considers his work with the rapid transit committee a personal highlight.

"That was most satisfying in particular," he said. "It was a lot of hard work, but it brought us VIVA and the product is in the street. Today, it's lauded internationally."

Since arriving from Britain with his family in the early 1970s, Mr. O'Donnell has been an active member of the Thornhill community. He held executive positions with numerous Thornhill soccer, hockey, scouting and ratepayer organizations.

## NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF A DEVELOPMENT CHARGES BY-LAW BY THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Regional Municipality of York enacted By-law No. DC-0006-2006-090 on Thursday, September 21, 2006, under the Development Charges Act, 1997 ("the Act"). This By-law imposes a sanitary sewer development charge against land in the Nobleton Community.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Regional Municipality of York enacted By-law No. DC-0005(b)-2006-091 on Thursday, September 21, 2006, which amends By-law No. DC-0005-2003-050 pursuant to section 19 of the Development Charges Act, 1997 ("the Act"). This amendment exempts land in the Nobleton Community from the sanitary sewer development charge imposed under that by-law. All other Region-wide development charges continue to apply.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or organization may appeal either or both By-laws to the Ontario Municipal Board under Section 14 of the Act by filing with the Clerk of the Regional Municipality of York, no later than 4:30 p.m. on October 31, 2006, a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the By-law(s) and the reasons supporting the objection.

A copy of both By-laws with the background study and supporting staff reports are available for examination at the Office of the Regional Clerk during regular office hours. Dated at the Town of Newmarket this 27th day of September 2006.

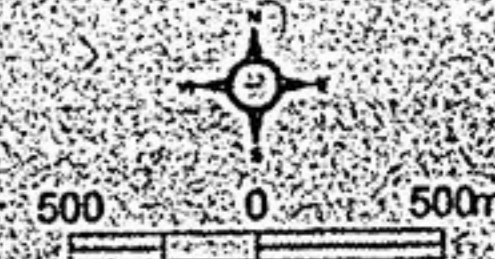
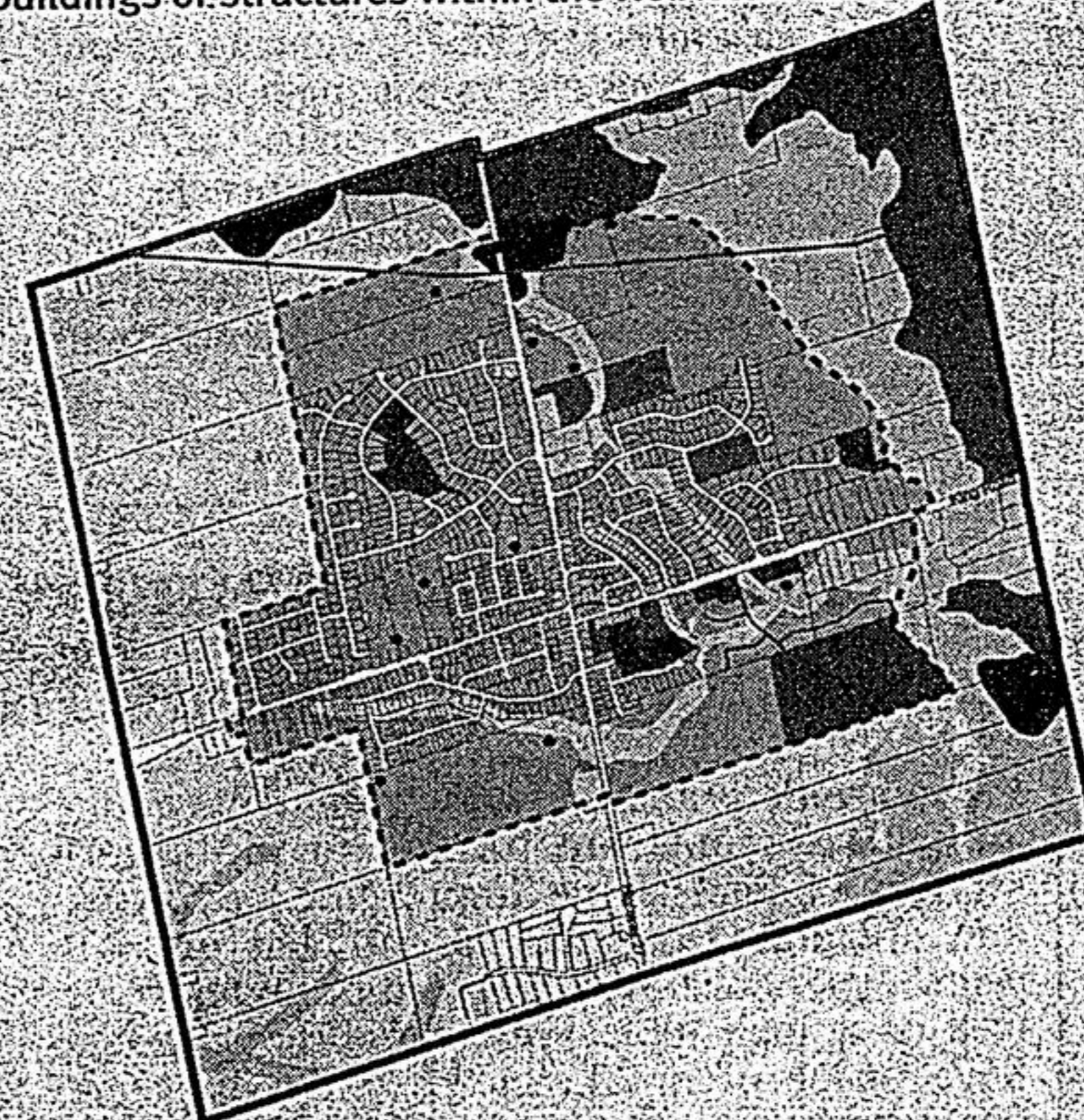
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### OVERVIEW

Development charges are levied against new development, and are a primary source for funding growth-related capital expenditures. Regional capital services include water, wastewater, transportation (roads, transit) and general services (police, long term care, health, public works). The Nobleton area-specific development charge is required to fund the growth-related capital costs for sanitary sewers in Nobleton. Development charges are imposed against the new development (residential and non-residential lands) at the time of development approvals in accordance with the Act.

### LANDS AFFECTED

By-law No. DC-0006-2006-090 imposes the residential and non-residential development charges against all lands, buildings or structures within the Nobleton Community. Please refer to the attached map.



### RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT CHARGES

Residential development charges imposed pursuant to By-law No. DC-0006-2006-090 shall be the amounts applicable at the date of payment as set out in the following schedule:

	Single and Semi-Detached	Multiple Unit Dwelling	Apartments	
			2 or more Bedrooms	Less than 2 Bedrooms
Sanitary Sewers	\$7,085	\$6,351	\$4,444	\$3,060

### NON-RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT CHARGES

Non-residential development charges imposed pursuant to by-law No. DC-0006-2006-090 shall be the amounts applicable at the date of payment as set out in the following schedule:

	Per Square Foot of Gross Floor Area		Per Square Metre of Gross Floor Area	
	Industrial/Office/Institutional	Retail	Industrial/Office/Institutional	Retail
Sanitary Sewers	\$4.83	\$4.83	\$51.94	\$51.94

### NOTES:

- By-law No. DC-0006-2006-090 will come into force on September 21, 2006. By-law No. DC-0006-2006-090 expires September 20, 2011, unless it is repealed at an earlier date.
- By-law No. DC-0005(b)-2006-091 expires June 22, 2007, unless it is repealed at an earlier date.
- In general, development charges are payable upon building permit issuance, except in the case of residential subdivisions where the roads, water and sewer components of the charge are collected upon subdivision agreement. Retail development has the option of securing development charge payment obligations through the provision of a letter of credit to be drawn over a three-year period.
- In accordance with the Act and the By-law, certain forms of development are exempt from the payment of regional development charges.

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