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CITY OF MARKHAM ANNOUNCES NEW INNOVATION DISTRICT NEIGHBOURING GORMLEY LANDS

**Town is excited for opportunities to come with knowledge-based
employment cluster**

WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE, ON – The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville is excited to hear about the City of Markham’s upcoming urban innovation district. This cluster of knowledge-based employment will happen on Markham’s land holdings and adjacent lands in the northern part of Markham near Whitchurch-Stouffville’s Gormley area.

Our Gormley area has been a well-kept gem in an attractive location between the proposed innovation district in Markham and Gormley GO station, which is a high capacity passenger rail service linking the area to Downtown Toronto. Highway 404 has a full interchange at Stouffville Road, right at the center of the Gormley Secondary Plan area, which provides a convenient access to the Greater Toronto Area freeway network. The area also borders to the beautiful Station Creek Golf Course to the north, Meadowbrook Golf Course to the east, and natural beauty the Oak Ridges Moraine has to offer. It is truly an ideal location to enhance the Markham innovation hub. This site will be an employment-first amenity rich area with a variety of uses dedicated to knowledge intensive industries.

“The Town has a significant amount of land along Highway 404 in Gormley, and that land is highly attractive for employment growth,” said Whitchurch-Stouffville Mayor Iain Lovatt. “It is vital that we attract more commercial and industrial development to help augment our tax base, and the development of these lands would be of great benefit to our municipality.”

Mayor Lovatt adds “On behalf of the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville and Council we extend our congratulations to the City of Markham on their announcement of what will become a significant innovation hub in York Region”

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