

Mayor's Message



Budget 2025 is a testament to Markham's commitment to fiscal responsibility, effective management, and respect for taxpayer dollars. The 2025 budget sets the

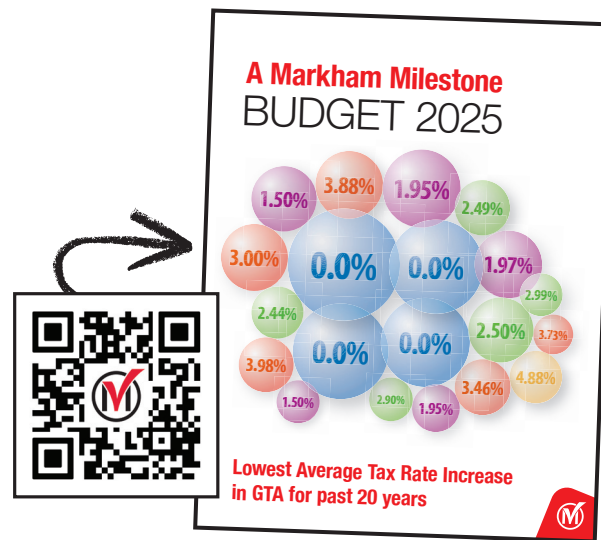
tax rate increase at 3.88%, and for the average home in Markham, this represents an increase of \$53.54 on the City portion of your tax bill.

Budget 2025 acknowledges the financial pressures we are all facing while ensuring the City continues to deliver the high-quality services you rely on. The tax rate increase provides important investments to meet the demands of our growing City, both in new infrastructure and repairs to our existing assets. It provides for the expansion of our flood control program into Markham Village to enhance flood protection for older neighborhoods. We have allocated funding for the enhancement and beautification of Victoria Square Boulevard and we continue with our program to improve accessibility in parks and playgrounds, bringing them into compliance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). This year's budget also includes increased funding for our festivals and events, enriching our shared cultural experiences.

Budget 2025 continues to invest in everything that makes Markham distinctly Markham.

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2022-2026 Council

- Mayor Frank Scarpitti
- Deputy Mayor Michael Chan
- Regional Councillor Jim Jones
- Regional Councillor Joe Li
- Regional Councillor Alan Ho
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- Ward 2 Councillor Ritch Lau
- Ward 3 Councillor Reid McAlpine
- Ward 4 Councillor Karen Rea
- Ward 5 Councillor Andrew Keyes
- Ward 6 Councillor Amanda Yeung Collucci
- Ward 7 Councillor Juanita Nathan
- Ward 8 Councillor Isa Lee



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City of Markham 2025 Interim Tax Bill

**Lowest average property
tax rate increase across GTA
municipalities for 20 years**



Markham's Olympic/Paralympic athletes, from left to right: Angel Xiao, Marissa Papaconstantinou, Andre De Grasse, Nyl Yakura and Michelle Li.

'Chipmunk' trail marker at Civic Centre by Indigenous artist, Donald Chrétien.



Property Tax Payment Options

1. Online Through Your Bank

You can pay your tax bill at most banks through internet banking. Pay your bill well before the due date to allow enough time for your bank to transfer the funds to the City by the due date. With most banks, you can schedule your payment ahead of time so you don't forget.

To Register for Internet Banking:

- Find your tax roll number located on your tax bill.
- Sign in to your bank's secure website.
- Select "City of Markham" or "Markham" as a payee.
- Select "taxes" or "property taxes."
- Enter your tax roll number as the requested account number.
Example: 36020123123450000000 (20 digits). Roll number must start with "36", not "1936."

2. At Your Bank

3. Pre-Authorized Payment Plan

To Apply Online:

- Go to markham.ca
- Search for "PTP Application"
- Payment (PTP) application deadline is May 6, 2025. PTP payments will begin July 2025.
- Your account must be paid in full by May 6, 2025.

4. At the Markham Civic Centre

Office hours 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday to Friday
Cash payments are not accepted.

Only cheque payments can be deposited at the drop box (Thornhill Entrance).

Important Tax Deadlines

2025 Residential, Commercial and Industrial Interim Tax Bill Due Dates

All tax payments must be received by:



Even if you do not receive a tax bill or statement, you are responsible for paying your taxes and are liable for penalty and interest charges on late payments.

All payments must be received by the City by the due date to avoid late payment charges. The property tax and fee relief measures previously in place for residents and businesses is now over.

Cheques not honoured by your bank will result in a service charge being added to your tax account. Ensure that your cheques are properly completed and signed.

Late Payments

A penalty of 1.00% on the unpaid amount of an instalment will be added if payment is not received by the instalment due date. A further 1.25% of the outstanding amount will be added as interest the first day of each month thereafter, as long as taxes remain unpaid.

Penalty and interest charges are set by City by-law pursuant to the Municipal Act. City of Markham Council and staff do not have the authority to waive or alter penalty and interest charges. This applies to all tax accounts to maintain fairness.

Water Arrears

Water arrears will be added to your tax account and will be treated similarly to taxes.

New Homeowners

If your home is newly constructed, your tax bill may reflect only the land portion. At a later date you will receive an additional tax bill for the building portion, resulting in a higher tax bill.

A Supplementary Assessment Notice will be sent to you by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), followed by a Supplementary Tax Bill from Markham. **Please plan for payment of all applicable taxes.**

Online Services

To better serve the needs of our residents, the City of Markham offers a number of online tax services.

Online ePropertyTax

This secure service provides you with 24/7 online access to your tax bill, including current and past billing information, bill payment options and further tax account details. Register for ePropertyTax and you will receive an email when your tax bill is ready to be viewed online.

Mailing Address Change

Moving? Prevent a misdirected tax bill notice by using our online form to easily update your mailing address. Visit markham.ca and submit a keyword search for "mailing address change."

Property Ownership

When purchasing a property, homeowners must ensure that their property and contact information is up-to-date with the City. Visit markham.ca and submit a keyword search for "notice of ownership change form."

Property Tax Relief Programs

The City offers property tax relief options for eligible seniors in the community. These include:

- Low-Income Seniors Property Tax Assistance Program
- Seniors, Low-income Seniors & Low-income Disabled Persons
- Property Tax Deferral Program

For further information and to determine your eligibility, contact the City of Markham Tax Office or visit markham.ca/TaxRelief



Discover the convenience of the eProperty Tax online system!



A **simple, secure** and **convenient** way to manage your property taxes

- Receive a reminder email when your tax bill is available.
- Securely manage your account with self-service options.
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