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NEWSLETTER

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City Events

Remembrance Event
Nov 1 @ 10:00a.m.

Order of Vaughan
Nov 8 @ 7:00p.m.

Festival of Lights
Nov 10 @ 7:00p.m.

Tree Lighting Ceremony
Dec 1 @ 7:00p.m.

Menorah Lighting
Dec 12 @ 3:30p.m.

WinterFest
February 2024

www.vaughan.ca/events

Contacts at your fingertips



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Dear Friends and Neighbours:

As we move towards another term of Council, this newsletter will provide updates on what we've been working on in the past year and what is coming forward in 2024.



Later this year, the City will be hosting public meetings on the 2024 Budget and I invite you to review the projects being considered next year and participate in the process.

We also send out two electronic newsletters per week to provide you with information on development applications, road construction, park openings, annual budget and surveys to have your voice heard. This is the best way to know what's going on in your neighbourhood in a timely manner. I encourage you to take a moment and sign up at <https://ward1.vaughan.ca/subscribe>.

With your support, I will continue to advocate on your behalf for issues that affect Ward 1 residents.

Marilyn

WHO DO YOU CONTACT?

 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animal services • Building permits • Burial permits • Cultural services • Development applications and zoning plans • Fire and rescue services • Municipal by-law enforcement • Organic, garbage and recycling collection • Park and amenity closures • Parking enforcement • Property standards enforcement • Property tax billing • Recreation and fitness services • Road maintenance on local roads, such as Barons Street, Avro Road, Barrhill Road and more • Winter maintenance on local roads, such as Melville Avenue, Treelawn Boulevard, Greenock Drive and more <p>vaughan.ca</p>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ambulance and paramedic services • Court services • COVID-19 vaccine distribution • Family and children services • Housing and shelter support services • Long-term care • Police services • Public health • Public housing • Regional transportation services (York Region Transit, vivaNext) • Road maintenance on regional roads, such as Jane Street, Teston Road, Keele Street, Major Mackenzie Drive, Highway 27 and more • Social assistance services • Solid waste management • Water and wastewater services • Winter maintenance for regional roads, such as Dufferin Street, Rutherford Road, Islington Avenue, Weston Road, Nashville Road and more <p>york.ca</p>
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The City of Vaughan operates within a two-tier municipal structure, which means there are two levels of government providing services to Vaughan residents. Regional matters such as road construction or winter maintenance on regional roads, policing matters including speeding within your neighbourhood, should be referred to Mayor or Regional Councillors listed below, as they represent you at that level:

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North Maple Regional Park Update

North Maple Regional Park (NMRP) is the City of Vaughan's biggest park project to date. Work to transform it is well underway! Construction on 130 acres of parkland continues and is approximately 50% complete.

Site grading, servicing and environmental restoration work is progressing. This includes the City's first cricket field and major event lawn that can host City events, additional park pathways, accessible multi-use trails and nature trails. The existing driveway (Vaughan CARES Way), will be extended to include a second access on Keele St and adding a new traffic signal at the park's north entrance. Construction will be completed by end of 2024 with certain elements nearing completion this year. The restoration on approximately 10 acres of wetland and provincially significant areas will include pond and wetland expansion and the creation of a wildlife corridor. Development of a family recreation area is underway. Some elements may include a waterplay area, nature playgrounds, picnic areas, shade shelter, multi-use trails, boardwalk and a pond lookout. The goal is to deliver the project for 2026.



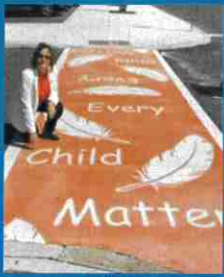
Events



Vaughan Winter Fest



NMRP Road Paving



'Every Child Matters' crosswalk unveiling



Annual Family Day Skate



Sports Village Skating Trail



Kirby Rd Ext. Ground Breaking

Proposed Hwy 413 (GTA West Corridor)

There has been little movement on this file and the Federal government is still waiting for the Province to file its documents that justifies the need for the highway— this is expected later this year. In the interim, MTO has recommenced public meetings to review their draft documents that will be submitted to the Federal government. There are so many surveys out there and articles by transportation experts that clearly state that this highway is overwhelmingly rejected by Ontarians because the underutilized Hwy 407 is the alternative and fees for the trucking industry need to be subsidized. For those of you who are not aware, Canada Pension Plan is the majority shareholder of the 407ETR.



For those living in new Kleinburg and north Maple, Highway 413 will bring much more traffic to your areas which already are at a standstill. Nashville Rd and Highway 27, are already congested to the max. If you wish to learn more or share your comments, visit www.highway413.ca/consultation

Moving forward...Projects in Ward 1

MAPLE

- ✓ An Environmental Assessment Study for McNaughton Rd W between Major Mackenzie Dr and Falvo St has commenced to address road capacity, operational needs to accommodate pedestrians, cyclists, transit users and motorists. Proposed improvements include adding sidewalks and cycling tracks. The project is anticipated to be completed in 2025
- ✓ Major Mackenzie Dr Centre Turn Lane from McNaughton/Avro Rd to Keele St: Road widening and reconstruction is underway. Estimated time for completion winter 2023/2024
- ✓ Improvements are coming to the Killian-Lamar Parkette, located at 108 Matthewson St. Plans include adding new playground equipment, a new swing set, an accessible wood fibre play surface, a new access ramp, upgrading existing lights with new LED fixtures and adding a new pathway connection to the adjacent valley trail. Design is currently underway and construction is anticipated to begin May 2024
- ✓ Sports Village Park: The City undertook a public engagement needs assessment to solicit feedback asking residents what park amenities or facilities they would like to see in the future. The City is currently preparing a report that will outline key findings based on the results from the public survey. The report will provide key recommendations to bring back to the community and City Council by end of 2023
- ✓ Maple Community Centre Revitalization Feasibility Study is expected to be completed in late 2023, following a series of engagement sessions including a Public Information Session. The consultants are currently working on renewal options. It will provide recommendations including cost, prioritization and a multi-year Master Plan
- ✓ Kirby Rd between Dufferin St and Bathurst St is being extended. The Kirby Rd extension will have four lanes, an in-boulevard multi-use pathway on the north and south sides of the road for cyclists and pedestrians, enhanced lighting, updated traffic signals, a new bridge structure crossing and a connection to a future underpass trail crossing at East Patterson Creek. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2024 and completion by summer 2026
- ✓ Construction of the multi-use path on Keele St from Teston Rd to Kirby Rd is advancing. The majority of the path system is in place with the exception of the portion fronting North Maple Regional Park, which is anticipated to be completed end of 2024, and will include a turning lane and traffic signals
- ✓ Old Maple Infrastructure Improvements are nearing completion. Final work including top asphalt paving and culvert/ditch rehabilitation will recommence in the spring. The project is anticipated to be completed by summer 2024



KLEINBURG

- ✓ The City is in the midst of securing lands suitable for a full-service Community Centre for the Kleinburg-Nashville community. Some amenities will include a branch library, indoor pool, ice rinks, fitness area, park, water play and picnic area, etc. A large parcel of land is required to accommodate the many amenities it will offer
- ✓ Commercial Retail Plaza is coming to Kleinburg at Barons St and Major Mackenzie Dr. We have asked the developer on several occasions for the names of the tenants and have been unsuccessful. If you would like more information, please contact Fieldgate Homes at 905-893-9500
- ✓ Garnet Williams Way between Major Mackenzie Dr W and Huntington Rd through to Nashville Rd is now open. It provides residents and businesses with more road network options and help maintain safe residential subdivision roads. It will also be a by-pass for heavy trucks to relieve traffic from infiltrating the adjacent residential subdivisions
- ✓ Opening of Barons St Extension at Nashville Rd: Construction of the new intersection on Nashville Rd at Barons St has commenced and is scheduled to be fully completed by the end of October/early November 2023
- ✓ Two new parks are coming to the Nashville-Kleinburg community! Algoma Park (42 Algoma Dr) and Nashville Park (639 Barons St). The City recently hosted an in-person Open House and online survey to collect community feedback. All feedback will be summarized in an engagement report and made available online at vaughan.ca/Parks. Construction is anticipated to begin late 2024
- ✓ An Environmental Assessment study for Teston Rd between Pine Valley Dr and Kleinburg Summit Way has been completed. The report is available for public review at vaughan.ca/TestonRoad
- ✓ The detailed design for the Kleinburg-Nashville Improvements Project is currently underway with construction planned to begin in spring 2024 and is anticipated to be completed by summer 2026. Improvements include watermain replacement, road reconstruction/enhancements, streetscaping, parking, cycling facilities and more
- ✓ An outdoor ice pad is coming to Kleinburg this winter. More information will be shared soon in my eNewsletter. Visit <https://ward1.vaughan.ca/subscribe> to subscribe



In 2023



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Celebrating Buddha's 2647th Birthday



Canada Day



Bellaria Tree and Bench Memorial



Story walk



Concerts in the Park