#### EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 30, 2012

Item 28, Report No. 39, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on October 30, 2012.

#### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE – REVISED EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the Emergency Management Committee recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated October 16, 2012:

#### **Recommendation**

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#### **Attachments**

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- 2. Emergency Response Plan

#### Report prepared by:

John Britto, Assistant City Clerk

(A copy of the attachments referred to in the foregoing have been forwarded to each Member of Council and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)

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Respectfully submitted,

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# **Emergency Plan Revisions Summary**

#### **General Revisions**

- 1. The Table of Contents and Title Page have been revised to reflected the updates made in the Plan.
- 2. The population in Section 1.1 has been updated.
- 3. Grammar corrections were made to all Sections of the Plan
- 4. Section 4.3 Roles and Responsibilities have been renumbered from 4.3.10 to 4.3.32 to reflect the addition of one revised officer position. The following positions have been assigned the role of attending the initial briefing meeting: Head of Council, EOC Director, all Section Chiefs, Liaison Officer, PowerStream Officer and Clerks Officer. Job titles have been deleted.
- 5. Section 4.4.3 to 4.4.7 renumbered to reflect the addition of Clerks Support, Operations Infrastructure Technician and GIS Technician

Page	Section	Revision
viii	Acronyms	Two acronyms were deleted as they are no longer relevant to the Plan. (HMRU hazardous materials response unit is sourced under fire mutual aid and does not have a role in the EOC and LOC – Logistics Operations Centre is a site no longer required.)
4	2.3 Authority of the City's Emergency Plan	Added - Authorizes the Logistics Section Chief and designated alternates to approve unbudgeted expenditures necessary to respond to and manage emergency situations.
6	3.1 and 3.2 Determining an Emergency and Emergency Notification System	<ul> <li>Terminology Change – City Manager replaced with EOC Director</li> <li>Incident Commanders may activate the Plan through their Section Chief added</li> <li>Deleted "in the event VFRS Communications is handling a large volume of calls" as this is a duplication of information already in this section of plan</li> </ul>
7	3.3 Emergency Notification Fan Out Chart	The fan out chart has been revised to reflect the first, second, third etc call process.
8	3.4 Declaration of an Emergency 3.4 Termination of an Emergency	Revised to reflect that the Liaison Officer will fax/email declaration/termination of emergency documents to the Provincial Emergency Operations Centre
12	Section 4 Incident Management System Chart	Updated to reflect the addition of Technicians to the Emergency Management Team
13/14/15	Emergency Management Team Functions	The Emergency Management Team Function Charts have been updated to reflect the addition of new positions and corporate structure
16	4.2.1 Roles and Responsibilities Pre- Emergency	Deleted designate 2 alternates and ensure alternates review the plan. Each person designated to the team is based on first, second, third etc. call and holds equal standing.
16	4.2.2 During the Emergency	Addition of obtain initial incident briefing from

#### SPECIFIC REVISIONS

	Unified Command or Section Chief
	<ul> <li>Deleted Authorizes expenditures as this role is assigned to a specific EMT position</li> </ul>
•	<ul> <li>Replaced procure and distribute resources with identify and source resources</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Deleted notify, coordinate, request from and liaise with other levels of government. This is a</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>role assigned to specific EMT positions</li> <li>Deleted assess and coordinate transport of supplies This is a role assigned to a specific EMT position</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>EMT position</li> <li>Deleted order and coordinate evacuation of residents. This is a role assigned to specific EMT positions.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>"Assess HR needs and procure" the word procure has been changed to source.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>"Make decisions on behalf of agency" added the word Department</li> </ul>
	Deleted Solicitor General and changed Team Leader to Section Chief
	Detailed roles and responsibilities included directly under the Operations Infrastructure Section
	<ul> <li>Transportation of evacuees changed to transportation vehicles to support the response</li> <li>Liaise and coordinate with YRT change to YRP</li> </ul>
	regarding buses for evacuees.
	Small Scale Emergencies Affecting 50 or less changed to 25 or less of short duration to reflect the practices of the Red Cross Personal Disaster Assistance Program
	<ul> <li>Deleted assigns scribes to Sections as it is the responsibility of the individual Sections to recruit/assign scribes</li> </ul>
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	Infrastructure Technician		
56	4.4.7 GIS Technician	New position roles and responsibilities	
62	4.7 Other Support Agencies	Hazardous Materials Response Unit deleted as they will work directly with Unified Command and not be present in the EOC.	
63	4.7.6 TRCA	<ul> <li>Deleted recommend areas for evacuation as this is not part of their role</li> <li>Deleted provide sandbags</li> </ul>	
65	Section 5 Emergency Operations Facilities and Procedures	Section reordered to reflect the process flow in the EOC	
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70	Section 6	Terminology change of Mayor to Head of Council	
71	Section 7.1 Emergency Management Program Committee	<ul> <li>Mayor, Regional Councillor and a Ward Councillor deleted to reflect current City Committee Policy.</li> <li>Job title revised to Commissioner of Strategic and Corporate Services</li> <li>Addition of alternate Manager of Corporate Communications</li> </ul>	

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(Vaughan) Emergency Operations Centre
Emergency Planning
Geographic Information System
Human Resources
Incident Commander
Incident Management Systems
Information Technology Management
Ministry of Environment
Member of Parliament
Member of Provincial Parliament
Non-Governmental Organization
Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program
Ontario Provincial Police
Provincial Emergency Operations Centre
Public Inquiry Centre

- PIO Public Information Officer
- RECG Regional Emergency Control Group
- **REOC** Regional Emergency Operations Centre
- SAC Spills Action Centre
- TRCA Toronto and Region Conservation Authority
- VFRS Vaughan Fire and Rescue Services
- YARES York Amateur Radio Emergency Services
- YRCHS York Region Community and Health Services
- YRP York Regional Police
- YRT York Region Transit



## SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 PREAMBLE

The City of Vaughan covers a land area of approximately 275 square kilometres and is situated in York Region. The City is bordered by the Township of King to the north, the Towns of Markham and Richmond Hill to the East, the City of Toronto to the South and the Region of Peel to the West. The City of Vaughan is a mix of urban and rural communities, which includes Concord, Kleinburg, Maple, Thornhill, and Woodbridge with a total population of over 300,000 inhabitants.

With in the borders of Vaughan are many unique aspects, which have been identified through a risk analysis that require effective emergency response capabilities. These include

- Major transportation routes including highways and rail corridors, on which significant volumes of dangerous goods are transported, and heavy commuter usage.
- Major gas pipelines traversing the City.
- Major heavy industrial areas where dangerous goods are used, stored or transported.
- Large landfill site with a methane-fired electrical generating station.
- Tracts of environmentally sensitive and protected lands.
- Tourism areas where significant volumes of people congregate.
- Hydro transmission corridors.
- Close proximity of two airports, one international in service delivery .
- Potential for natural disasters such as severe summer and winter storms.
- Two rail yards, that manage, transfer and transport large volumes of dangerous goods.

The City routinely handles situations involving responses by Fire, Police, Emergency Medical Services and Public Works, however some situations may escalate in scope beyond normal response operations. In the event of a largerscale emergency the Emergency Plan may be activated.

The primary role of government in an emergency is to provide an organizational structure and the resources necessary to protect lives, property and the environment. To ensure a coordinated response effort, the plan establishes the roles and responsibilities of the responding municipal, regional, provincial, federal, private sector and non-governmental agencies.

The City maintains an Emergency Management Program for the purpose of developing, implementing and evaluating plans and strategies to mitigate potential emergencies, prepare the community, respond to and recover from emergency situations; and thus safeguard lives, property, the environment, critical infrastructure and welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Vaughan. Through the program, mechanisms are in place to test and update plans and procedures annually.

## 1.2 PURPOSE OF THE PLAN

The purpose of this Plan is to establish guidelines and operating structures to make provisions for the extraordinary arrangements and measures that may be taken during an emergency. The plan is designed to

- 1. Maximize emergency response capabilities.
- 2. Establish roles and responsibilities of responding agencies in preparing for, responding to and recovering from an emergency.
- 3. Efficiently and effectively deploy resources.
- 4. Minimize the impact upon the health, safety, and welfare of citizens, property, environment and critical infrastructure.
- 5. Coordinate the actions of all responding agencies.
- 6. Provide the means to identify, request and procure additional resources, expertise and personnel that may be required.
- 7. Maintain and or rapidly recover critical City services.

The Plan has been designed to be flexible to ensure an all-hazards approach to managing emergency situations.

## **1.3 DEFINITION OF AN EMERGENCY**

The Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act defines an emergency as

"A situation or impending situation that constitutes a danger of major proportions that could result in serious harm to persons or substantial damage to property and that is caused by the forces of nature, a disease or other health risk, an accident or an act whether intentional or otherwise; (situation d'urgence")

An emergency can result from an existing danger or it can be a threat of an impending danger, which by its nature and magnitude necessitates a controlled and coordinated response by a number of government, private and community agencies. Emergencies are categorized as natural, human-caused or technological in origin. Emergencies vary in scale as local, regional, provincial, national or international.

## **SECTION 2: AUTHORITY**

## 2.1 THE CITY'S RESPONSIBILITY

The City is responsible for demonstrating due diligence through compliance with the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*. Compliance with the Act is achieved through a comprehensive Emergency Management Program that includes an approved Emergency Plan.

The City must submit a copy of this Emergency Plan to the Chief, Emergency Management Ontario and ensure that the Chief has at any time the most current version of the Emergency Plan. The Chief, Emergency Management Ontario shall keep in a secure place the most current version of the Emergency Plan submitted to him or her.

To ensure the safety and security of the public and efficient and effective management of City resources, the Emergency Management Team utilizes response goals. The response goals numbered 1 through 4 are implemented in priority sequence, while response goals numbered 5 through 8 are implemented once the first 4 goals are addressed. Response goals 5 through 8 may be implemented out of sequence or simultaneously as the situation warrants.

- 1. Provide for the safety and health of all responders.
- 2. Save lives.
- 3. Reduce suffering.
- 4. Protect public health.
- 5. Protect government infrastructure.
- 6. Protect property.
- 7. Protect the environment.
- 8. Reduce economic and social loss.

## 2.2 THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND CIVIL PROTECTION ACT

## 2.2.1 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* makes it mandatory for every municipality to develop and implement an Emergency Management Program and the council of each municipality shall by by-law adopt the Emergency Management Program. The Act requires that every Emergency Management Program consist of,

- An emergency plan;
- Training programs and exercises for employees of the municipality and other persons with respect to the provision of necessary services and procedures to be followed in emergency response and recovery activities;

- Public education on risks to public safety and on public preparedness for emergencies;
- An assessment of various hazards and risks to public safety that could give rise to emergencies and identify the facilities and other elements of the infrastructure that are at risk of being affected by emergencies; and
- Any other element required by the standards for emergency management programs set under section 14 of the Act.

## 2.3 THE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF VAUGHAN EMERGENCY PLAN

- 1. The Head of Council is hereby authorized to declare that an emergency exists in all or any part of the City and make such orders as considered necessary and are not contrary to law to implement the emergency plan.
- 2. That during the absence of or during his/her inability to act, the designated alternates who shall be a member of Council, in accordance with Council policy, may exercise the powers and perform the duties of the Head of Council under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* or this Emergency Plan.
- 3. Employees of the City are authorized to take action under this plan where an emergency exists but has not yet been declared to exist.
- 4. Authorizes the Logistics Section Chief and designated alternates to approve unbudgeted expenditures necessary to respond to and manage emergency situations.
- 5. Authority is hereby given to obtain and distribute necessary materials, equipment and supplies during an emergency.

# 2.4 PRECEDENCE

The Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act states that

"The emergency plan of a lower-tier municipality in an upper-tier municipality, excluding a county, shall conform to the emergency plan of the upper-tier municipality and has no effect to the extent of any inconsistency."

The City of Vaughan, Emergency Plan conforms to the York Region Emergency Plan.

# 2.5 PROTECTION FROM PERSONAL LIABILITY

Under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, Section 11,

11.(1) "No action or other proceeding lies or shall be instituted against a member of council or an employee of a municipality, an employee of a local services board, an employee of a district social services administration board, a minister of the Crown, a Crown employee or any other individual

acting pursuant to this Act or an order made under this Act any act done in good faith in the exercise or performance or the intended exercise or performance of any power or duty under this Act or an order under this Act or for neglect or default in the good faith exercise or performance of such a power or duty.

## 2.6 MUNICIPALITY NOT RELIEVED OF LIABILITY

11. (3) "Subsection (1) does not relieve a municipality of liability for the acts or omissions of a member of council or an employee of the municipality referred to in subsection (1) and the municipality is liable as if subsection (1) had not been enacted and in the case of a member of council, as if the member were an employee of the municipality."

## 2.7 PUBLIC ACCESSIBILITY TO THE PLAN

The public electronic version of the Emergency Plan is available on the City's website: <u>www.vaughan.ca</u>, and paper copies are available for viewing at the Civic Centre and in local libraries.

## 2.8 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY

Any personal information collected under the authority of this Plan shall be used solely for the purpose of planning, preparing and responding to emergencies as defined within this Plan. The release of any information under this Plan shall be made in conformity with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Ch. M.56 as amended.

A head of an institution, as defined in *the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, may refuse under that Act to disclose a record of personal information collected.

For the purposes of confidentiality for defence reasons and third party information, a head of an institution as defined in the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, may refuse under that Act to disclose a record if,

- a. The record contains information required for the identification and assessment of activities under subsection 3 of *the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* Hazard and risk assessment and infrastructure identification;
- b. Its disclosure could reasonably be expected to prejudice the defence of Canada or of any foreign state allied or associated with Canada or be injurious to the detection, prevention or suppression of espionage, sabotage or terrorism; and
- c. Reveals a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence implicitly or explicitly.

## SECTION 3 – IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN

## 3.1 DETERMINING AN EMERGENCY

At the threat of an impending emergency and/or at the scene of an emergency, the Incident Commanders of the first response agencies and/or the Emergency Management Team (EMT) will assess the situation to determine if this is an extraordinary event that requires extraordinary measures to respond to, contain and recover from the situation.

The Incident Commanders of the first response agencies through their EMT Section Chief or the EOC Director may activate this Plan upon determination that the situation exceeds or may exceed normal response capabilities. Once the request has been made to activate the plan, the first response agencies can immediately implement actions under the Plan's authority.

## 3.2 EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE

Upon direction from the EOC Director or an EMT Section Chief, the Vaughan Fire and Rescue Service Communications Centre or Manager of Emergency Planning or designated alternates will activate the Emergency Notification Procedure. The Emergency Notification Procedure may be activated in whole or in part on the advice of the EOC Director or an EMT Section Chief.

The Vaughan Fire and Rescue Services Communications Operator(s), Manager of Emergency Planning or designated alternates will contact the EMT members. The following incident details will be provided to the EMT members:

- Nature of the incident.
- Location.
- Extent of the impact area.

The members of the EMT may be directed to

- Deploy immediately to the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC); or
- Remain on standby, monitor the situation and be prepared to convene at the EOC rapidly; or
- Alerted to a possible emergency situation, which may be developing.

Should a response from the first EMT member contacted <u>not be received</u> <u>within</u> <u>15 minutes of initial call</u>, the second/third EMT call will be contacted. EMT members will then notify designated staff and scribes assigned to their Sections.

# 3.3 EMERGENCY NOTICATION FAN-OUT CHART

Incident Commanders. EOC Director or EMT Section Chiefs	Vaughan Fire and Rescue Service Comm. Centre Or Manager Emergency Planning		
EMT Position	Notification Sequence		
First call EOC Director	<ol> <li>Head of Council (Mayor, Regional Councillors, Ward Councillors) – who call their scribes</li> <li>Scribes</li> </ol>		
First Call Fire Section Chief	<ol> <li>Designated Alternates (2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> etc call)</li> <li>Scribe</li> <li>Designated Alternate</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>2. York Region EMS</li> <li>3. PEOC</li> <li>4. York Region CEMC – who notifies York Region</li> </ol>		
First Call Liaison Officer	<ul> <li>4. For Region CEMC – who notifies for Region Community and Health Services who notifies Community Agencies</li> <li>5. PowerStream</li> <li>6. YARES</li> </ul>		
First Call Operations Infrastructure Section Chief	<ol> <li>Designated Alternates (2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> etc call)</li> <li>First Call Officers – who call their alternates</li> <li>Scribes</li> <li>Infrastructure Technician</li> </ol>		
First Call Operations Community Services Section Chief	<ol> <li>Designated Alternates (2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> etc call)</li> <li>First Call Officers – who call their alternates</li> <li>Scribes</li> </ol>		
First Call Administration Section Chief	<ol> <li>Designated Alternates (2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> etc call)</li> <li>First Call Officers – who call their alternates and Clerks Support</li> <li>Scribes</li> </ol>		
First Call Logistics Section Chief	<ol> <li>Designated Alternates (2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> etc call)</li> <li>First Call Officers – who call their alternates and GIS Technician</li> <li>Scribes</li> </ol>		
First Call Public Information Section Chief	<ol> <li>Designated Alternates (2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> etc call)</li> <li>First Call Officers – who call their alternates</li> <li>Scribes</li> </ol>		
York Regional Police District 4	Superintendent and Inspector who call scribe		
Red Cross	Disaster Services Coordinator who calls volunteers		

## 3.4 DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY

- 1. In making the determination that a situation or impending situation is of the scale and/or magnitude, that a declaration of emergency should be made; the EMT will utilize the "Emergency Declaration Checklist" as a guide.
- 2. The Head of Council or his/her designated alternates are responsible for declaring that a municipal emergency exists within Vaughan's geographic boundaries in consultation with the EMT.
- 3. The Head of Council shall sign a written official declaration of emergency.
- 4. Upon declaration of an emergency, the Head of Council shall make the following notifications:
  - a. City Council,
  - b. The Regional Chair,
  - c. Mayors of neighbouring municipalities,
  - d. The public; and
  - e. MP's and MPP's representing the constituents of Vaughan.
- 5. The Liaison Officer shall
  - a. Notify the Provincial Emergency Operations Centre (PEOC) that an emergency situation exists in the City by contacting the Duty Officer at (416) 314-0472. Should contact with the PEOC be unsuccessful, notification can be made through the O.P.P. Duty Officer Tel: (705) 329-6950;
  - b. Submit the signed official declaration of an emergency by fax to the PEOC at (416) 314-6220 or by email: <u>operations.emo@ontario.ca</u>; and
  - c. Submit daily situation reports to the PEOC.
- 6. The Head of Council or EOC Director may request assistance and resources from another level of government and that request shall not be considered to be a request for implementation of the Emergency Plan for that jurisdiction, unless specifically indicated by the Head of Council.
- 7. The Premier of Ontario has the authority under the *Emergency Management* and *Civil Protection Act* to declare an emergency in all or any part of Ontario.

## 3.5 TERMINATING AN EMERGENCY

1. In making the determination that an emergency declaration should be terminated; the EMT will utilize the "Emergency Declaration Checklist" as a guide. The EMT will assess the situation to determine if the declaration criteria are in effect or resolved and advise the Head of Council to terminate the emergency declaration.

- 2. The authority to terminate an emergency is that of the Head of Council or designated alternates; or City Council; or the Premier of Ontario.
- 3. Upon declaring an emergency is terminated, the Head of Council will ensure that a verbal and written notice is issued to
  - a. The public,
  - b. The Regional Chair,
  - c. The Mayors of neighbouring municipalities; and
  - d. The MP's and MPP's who represent the constituents of Vaughan.
- 4. The Liaison Officer shall
  - a. Notify the PEOC that the emergency is terminated
  - b. Submit the official signed termination of emergency document to the PEOC.

## 3.6 ESCALATION OF AN EMERGENCY TO REGIONAL PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

- In some instances a localized emergency or impending emergency may escalate in scope or be of such a magnitude that a controlled and coordinated response is required at the Regional Government level. The Head of Council can request through the Regional Chair that the York Region Emergency Plan be activated. The following situations outline instances where the York Region Emergency Plan may be implemented:
  - The incident is beyond the capability of a local municipality and the Head of Council requests implementation of the Regional Plan.
  - The incident crosses boundaries of/or impacts a large part of two or more municipalities.
  - The incident requires extraordinary expenditures of money by one or more Regional Departments.
  - The situation threatens or affects Regional facilities.
  - In a Provincially declared emergency, the Premier directs the Region to activate its Emergency Plan.
- 2. In the instance of a declaration of a Regional Emergency, the City will
  - Continue to operate and maintain the Vaughan EOC,
  - Continue to provide services to residents,
  - Continue to manage the localized response,
  - Jointly coordinate with the Region in emergency response efforts,
  - Provide a representative to the Regional Emergency Operations Centre to establish a liaison between the City and the Region.

These activities will continue until the emergency or impending emergency is declared terminated.



#### 3.8 COMMUNICATION FLOW BETWEEN REGIONAL EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTRE AND VAUGHAN EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTRE

**Regional Emergency Operations** Vaughan Emergency Operations Centre Centre Policy Group – Head Head of Council of Council **EOC Director** (City Manager) Command Group CAO Liaison Officer (Mgr EP) Liaison Officer Public Information **Public Information Section Risk Management** Administration Section Planning Section Legal Regional Clerk Clerks Planning and Human Resources **Development** Enforcement **Logistics Section** Logistics Section Human Resources Planning, Building Geomatics Standards, Economic Development IT Services Supplies and Services ITM **Property Services** Purchasing Finance **Finance Section Operations Section** Finance and Treasury Ops FR Fire Ops FR Police **Ops FR EMS Operations Section** Regional Fire Coord **Ops Infrastructure** Police PW/ENG EMS Transportation and **Ops Community Services** Works **Buildings and Facilities** Community and **Recreation**, **YRCHS** Health Services Fleet, Red Cross, Parks YRT and Forestry



#### SECTION 4 - INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

## 4.1 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TEAM

The Emergency Management Team (EMT) is responsible for directing and managing emergency operations and for providing the essential services needed to minimize the effects of the emergency on the City. The EMT will commence operations when an emergency situation represents a threat that exceeds the normal response capabilities of the agencies designated to handle such an emergency or the emergency threatens the well being of the municipality in large parts or as a whole. The EMT is comprised of senior staff of the lead response agencies that have the authority to make decisions on all matters affecting that agency's participation in the emergency.

The EMT is comprised of the following functional components; management, support, technical support, Incident Site Team and supporting agencies.

EMT Position	Designated Personnel	
Head of Council	Mayor and Members of Council	
EOC Director	City Manager, Commissioner of Community Services,	
	Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works	
Operations First Response	Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chiefs, Chief Training Officer	
Fire Section Chief		
Operations First Response,	YRP District 4 Superintendent, Inspector	
Police Section Chief		
Operations First Response -	Representative from York Region EMS	
EMS Section Chief		
Operations Infrastructure	Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works,	
Section Chief	Director of Development/Transportation Engineering,	
	Director of Engineering	
Operations Community	Commissioner of Community Services, Director of	
Services Section Chief	Buildings and Facilities, Director of Recreation, Director	
	of Parks and Forestry	
Administration Section Chief	Commissioner of Legal and Administration Services,	
	Commissioner of Strategic and Corporate Services,	
	Director of Legal Services, City Clerk	
Logistics Section Chief	Commissioner of Finance and City Treasurer,	
	Commissioner of Planning	
Public Information Section	Director of Corporate Communications, Manager of	
Chief	Corporate Communications	

## 4.1.1 MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS

# 4.1.2 SUPPORT FUNCTIONS

EMT Position	Designated Personnel
Operations First Response - Liaison Officer	Manager Emergency Planning, Deputy Fire Chief, Chief Fire Prevention Officer
Operations Infrastructure Section- Public Works Officer	Director Public Works, Manager Environmental and Technical Services, Manager Road Maintenance Services, Development Supervisor, Design Engineer*
Operations Infrastructure Section - Engineering Officer	Director Engineering, Manager Capital Planning and Infrastructure, Manager Construction Services, Manager Traffic Services, Transportation Engineer*
Operations Community Services Section– Building and Facilities Officer	Director Buildings and Facilities, Buildings Manager, Facilities Manager
Operations Community Services Section – Recreation Officer	Director Recreation, Manager, Client Services, Recreation Manager, Office Services Supervisor*, Recreation Services Supervisor*
Operations Community Services Section – Transportation Officer	Fleet Supervisor, Manager Parks Operations.
Operations Community Services Section – Parks and Forestry Officers	Director Parks and Forestry, Manager Parks Services, Forestry Supervisor
Operations Community Services Section – Social Services/Health Officer	Representative from York Region Community and Health Services
Operations Community Services Section– Red Cross Officer	Representative from York Region Red Cross Branch
Administration Section – Clerks Officer	City Clerk, Deputy City Clerk, Manager Special Projects/Risk Management
Administration Section – Human Resources Officer	Director Human Resources, Manager Employee Relationships, Manager Health and Wellness, HR Specialist Workplace Health and Safety
Administration Section – Enforcement Officer	Director Enforcement Services, Managing Supervisor, Supervisor By-Law Enforcement, Supervisor Parking, Signs and Special Enforcement
Logistics Section – Finance Officer	Director Finance, Finance Manager Water/Waste Water
Logistics Section - Purchasing Officer	Director Purchasing, Manager Purchasing Contract Services, Manager
Logistics Section – IT Officer	Chief Information Officer, Director Information Technology and Telecommunications, Manager Client Support Services
Logistics Section – Economic Development Officer	Executive Director, Senior Manager Economic Development, Business Development Officer- Creative Economy
Logistics Section – Planning Officer	Commissioner Planning, Director Development Planning
Logistics Section – Building Standards Officer	Director Building Standards, Manager Customer Services and Administration, Manager Technical Services

EMT Position	Designated Personnel
Public Information Officer	Manager Corporate Communications, Communications Specialist-Media
Public Information Section – Public Inquiry Centre Officer	Manager Access Vaughan, Quality Assurance Supervisor

\*May also hold Technical Support function positions.

## 4.1.3 TECHNICAL SUPPORT FUNCTIONS

EMT Position	Designated Personnel
Scribe	Council Executive Assistants,
	Administrative Assistants, Clerks,
	designated staff
Runner	Council Executive Assistants,
	Administrative Assistants, Clerks,
	designated staff
Clerks Support	Assistant City Clerks, Manager
	Development Services Secretary-
	Treasurer Committee of Adjustment,
	Records Management Supervisor,
	Archivist, Information Processors
IT Technician	Designated IT staff
Infrastructure Technician	Design Engineer, Storm Drainage
	Engineer, Senior Engineering Assistant,
	Transportation Engineer
GIS Technician	Senior GIS Mapping Technician, GIS
	Mapping Technician, Systems
	Analyst/Project Leader,

## 4.1.4 UNIFIED COMMAND

Unified Command – On Scene	Designated Personnel
Incident Commander of Site Incident	Senior Officer/Staff of First Response, front
Commanders	line responders – Fire, Police, EMS, Public
	Works, Parks, Forestry, PowerStream,
	Utilities and other agencies as required

## 4.1.5 SUPPORTING AGENCIES

- Emergency Management Ontario
- York CEMC
- Utilities/Rail/Industry
- Hospitals
- Toronto Region Conservation
   Authority
- St. John Ambulance
- School Boards

- Ontario Provincial Police
- Ministry of Environment Spills Action Centre
- Salvation Army
- York Amateur Radio Emergency Services
- Coroner
- Insurance Bureau of Canada

## 4.2 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EMT

## 4.2.1 PRE-EMERGENCY

- $\hfill\square$  Maintain a current copy of the Plan at home and in the office.
- □ Regularly review the Plan and their roles and responsibilities.
- □ Ensure the safety of their families through a personal emergency preparedness plan.
- □ Attend annual emergency management training and exercise sessions.

## 4.2.2 DURING THE EMERGENCY

- □ Notify department and agency staff.
- □ Sign in and out on organizational chart board in EOC.
- □ Obtain briefings from Unified Command Incident Commanders or Section Chief on the actions taken and status of the incident.
- □ Direct and manage emergency operations and department responses.
- □ Provide essential services to minimize the effects of the emergency.
- □ Make decisions on behalf of their agency on emergency matters.
- Gather required data and information related to the emergency.
- □ Ensure scribes have up to date information.
- □ Advise the Head of Council on declaring or terminating an emergency.
- □ Advise the Head of Council on designating sections of the city as an emergency area.
- □ Identify and source equipment, supplies and services.
- □ Assess human resource needs and source or reallocate staff.
- □ Provide input into incident action plans.
- □ Plan long-term response strategies.
- □ Implement continuity of operations strategies to maintain critical services as indentified in the Business Impact Analysis.
- $\Box$  Establish a schedule of reporting.
- $\hfill\square$  Inform the public and media of the situation.
- $\hfill\square$  Advise staff of any changes in the incident status.
- □ Maintain detailed records and logs of the actions taken and submit to the Section Chiefs of Administration and Logistics.

## 4.2.3 POST EMERGENCY

- □ Submit all logs to the Administration Section and financial records to the Logistics Section.
- □ Provide input and recommendations for continuous improvement at the post emergency debriefing meeting.
- $\Box$  Update sub-plans as required.
- $\hfill\square$  Participate in the Recovery Plan operations.

## 4.3 INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITIES

## 4.3.1 Head of Council

## **Reports to Council**

- Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Notifies and deploys scribe.
- □ Opens and maintains a log (may be delegated to a scribe).
- □ On the advice of the Emergency Management Team (EMT) officially declares and terminates an emergency and/or an emergency area.
- □ In coordination with the PIO and EMT, acts as the official spokesperson for the City at media conferences.
- Notifies the Regional Chair, City Council, neighbouring municipal officials, Members of Parliament, Members of Provincial Parliament and the public of the emergency declaration and termination.
- Briefs City Council on changes in the status of the emergency.
- Makes formal requests to the Region to implement the Regional Emergency Plan.
- □ Makes formal requests to the Province for assistance and informs the Regional Chair of such requests.
- □ Attends Initial Briefing and Business Cycle Meetings.
- □ Provides input into the response and recovery planning process.
- □ Delegates duties to an alternate as needed and briefs replacement of actions taken, outstanding issues and status of emergency.
- □ Submits logs and expense records to the Section Chiefs of Administration and Logistics daily.

## 4.3.2 EOC DIRECTOR

- □ Orders activation of the Emergency Plan and Notification Procedure.
- □ Notifies the Mayor, alternate Council Members, support staff and scribe.
- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- □ Opens and maintains a log (may be delegated to a scribe).
- □ Selects or designates an alternate location for the EOC should the primary site be inaccessible.
- $\Box$  Manages the operations of the EMT.
- □ Schedules and chairs Initial Briefing and Business Cycle meetings.
  - □ Receives briefings from Section Chiefs and specialists
  - Directs identification of response priorities;
  - Directs identification of recovery priorities; and
  - □ Approves incident action plan and authorizes implementation for response and recovery objectives.
- □ Liaises with City Managers and Chief Administrative Officers of neighbouring municipalities and the Region.
- □ Coordinates with Public Information Officer, approves media/public safety messages and may act as Spokesperson as required.
- □ Delegates duties to and briefs replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Authorizes demobilization of Sections as required.
- □ Ensures any open actions will be handled after demobilization of a Section.
- □ Submits logs and records to the Chiefs of Administration and Logistics Sections.
- □ Ensures that post-emergency debriefing conducted and after action report prepared.

## 4.3.3 LIAISON OFFICER

#### **Reports To: EOC Director**

- □ On direction from the EOC Director or Section Chiefs may initiate the Emergency Notification Procedures.
- □ Notifies PEOC Duty Officer of emergency situation.
- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Coordinates with Building and Facilities and I.T. Officers to set up and decommission the alternate EOC.
- □ Coordinates with Enforcement Officer to establish security for the EOC.
- □ Posts and maintain EOC organization chart.
- □ Liaises with the Community Emergency Management Coordinators (CEMC) for the Region, neighbouring municipalities and province.
- □ Liaises with external agencies not represented in the EOC.
- □ Advises the EMT on emergency management matters, procedures and plan implementation.
- □ Monitors and reports on weather conditions.
- □ Ensures that the EMT has all necessary plans, supplies, maps and equipment.
- □ Activates York Amateur Radio Emergency Services.
- □ Liaises with EMT members to collect data and operational updates.
- □ Issues situation reports to the Provincial Emergency Operations Centre.
- □ Attends and provides updates at Initial Briefing and Business Cycle Meeting.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Delegates duties to and briefs replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
□ Schedules and conducts a post emergency debriefing and prepares the after action report.

## 4.3.4 OPERATIONS FIRST RESPONSE – FIRE SECTION CHIEF

#### Reports to: EOC Director

- □ Orders activation of the Emergency Plan and Notification Procedure.
- □ Activates department plan and notifies alternates, support staff and scribes.
- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log (may be delegated to a scribe).
- □ Obtains briefing from and maintains communication with on scene Fire Incident Commander on the status of the incident.
- □ Coordinates with Police and EMS to establish a Unified Command Post at the scene with interoperable communications systems.
- □ Coordinates Fire and Rescue Services activities to ensure coverage and continuity of critical services.
- □ Advises EMT on fire and rescue matters.
- □ Coordinates the provision of equipment, resources, and specialists through EMT Sections to the scene.
- □ Activates Mutual Aid Agreements and/or supplier contracts as needed.
- □ Coordinates with Police, EMS, York Region Community and Health Services regarding evacuation of scene.
- □ Liaises with Fire Services from neighbouring municipalities and the Regional Fire Coordinator.
- □ Liaise with PIO to provide expert information at media conferences.
- □ Participates in response and recovery planning process.
- □ Attends and provides updates at Initial Briefing and Business Cycle Meetings.
- Delegates duties to and briefs replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.

□ Submits logs and expense records to the Section Chiefs of Administration and Logistics.

## 4.3.5 OPERATIONS FIRST RESPONSE – POLICE SECTION CHIEF

Reports to: EOC Director and Regional Emergency Operations Centre (REOC) Police Chief

- □ Recommends activation of the Emergency Plan and Notification Procedure.
- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log (may be delegated to a scribe).
- □ Requests activation of the York Regional Police Emergency Operations Plan.
- □ Coordinates with Fire and EMS to establish a Unified Command System, Command Post and interoperable communications systems.
- □ May deploy the York Regional Police Mobile Command Unit to the Emergency Scene.
- □ Coordinates the Police response with Unified Command to
  - $\Box$  Establish inner and outer perimeters at the site,
  - □ Establish access control measures,
  - □ Provide traffic control to facilitate the movement of emergency vehicles,
  - □ Alert residential, commercial and industrial buildings of need to evacuate,
  - $\Box$  Implement crowd control measures, and
  - $\Box$  Investigate the incident.
- □ Obtains a briefing from and establishes communications with Police Incident Commander.
- □ Advises the EMT on policing matters.
- □ In coordination with Unified Command and EMT plans evacuation of the emergency area and implements the Evacuation Plan.
- □ Coordinates with Operations Community Services Section to identify, and open Emergency Shelters.
- □ Dispatches specialized police units and activate mutual aid agreements as needed.

- □ Maintains an inventory of Regional, Municipal and private sector communications equipment and facilities that may be accessed during an emergency.
- □ Coordinates with Coroner's Office on fatalities, morgues, investigation of deaths, establishing a property recovery centre, identification of victims and notification of next of kin.
- □ Delegates duties to and briefs replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Attends and provides updates at Initial Briefing and Business Cycle Meetings.
- □ Submit logs and expenditure reports to Section Chiefs of Administration and Logistics daily.

## 4.3.6 OPERATIONS FIRST RESPONSE - EMS SECTION CHIEF

#### Reports to: EOC Director and REOC EMS General Manager

- □ May recommend activation of the Emergency Plan and Notification Procedure.
- $\hfill\square$  Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log (may be delegated to a scribe).
- □ Requests activation of the York Region EMS Contingency Plan.
- □ Coordinates with Fire and Police to establish a Unified Command System, Command Post and interoperable communications systems.
- □ Obtains briefing from and establishes communications with EMS Incident Commander.
- □ Liaises with the Ontario Ministry of Health and Allied EMS agencies.
- □ Advises the EMT on Emergency Medical Services matters.
- □ Coordinates EMS activities
  - □ Triage,
  - □ Patient Stabilization,
  - □ Any other treatment required in pre-hospital care,
  - □ Transportation to hospital, and

- □ Evacuation of citizens needing assistance.
- □ Identifies resources and equipment required, and coordinates with the EMT to procure.
- □ Liaises with neighbouring municipal EMS agencies for mutual assistance.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Attends and provides updates at Initial Briefing and Business Cycle Meetings.
- □ Delegates duties to and briefs replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Submits logs and expense records to Section Chiefs of Administration and Logistics daily.

## 4.3.7 OPERATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE SECTION CHIEF

#### Reports to: EOC Director

- □ Orders activation of the Emergency Plan and Notification Procedure.
- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates department emergency plan and notification of alternates, Officers and scribes.
- □ Obtains a briefing from and establishes communications with the Public Works on scene Incident Commander.
- □ Advises EMT on Engineering and Public Works related matters.
- □ Oversees and directs Public Works and Engineering response activities
  - □ Traffic Control Aids,
  - □ Sewers Systems,
  - □ Water Systems,
  - □ Roads,
  - $\Box$  Spills,
  - □ Snow/Ice Control,
  - □ Flood Response,
  - □ Refuse Removal,
  - □ Potable Water and Sanitation Facilities,
  - □ Water Supply for fire suppression,
  - □ Clearing of Evacuation and Emergency Routes,
  - □ Provide access to off road emergency scenes,
  - □ Ensure continuation, restoration, repair and cleanup of municipal public works systems, and
  - □ Engineering drawings of City infrastructure.
- □ Liaises with the York Region Commissioner of Transportation and Works, and neighbouring municipalities' Public Works Departments.
- □ Coordinates with EMT members to procure equipment, supplies, human resources, contractors and experts to support the response efforts.
- □ Oversees coordination with Utilities Companies for disconnection and reconnection of services in the emergency area.

- □ On the approval and direction of the Ministry of Environment and on advisement of the EMT, directs Public Works staff to initiate cleanup, and disposal of contaminants and debris as necessary.
- □ Liaises with the Spills Action Centre (Ministry of the Environment (416) 325-3000 OR 1-800-268-6060), and other experts on handling, containment and clean up of hazardous materials.
- □ Coordinates with Toronto Region Conservation Authority (416) 661-6600 on flood management matters.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of critical services.
- □ Participates in response and recovery planning process.
- □ Attends and provides updates at Initial Briefing and Business Cycle Meetings.
- □ Ensures replacement staff are scheduled for Operations Infrastructure Section.
- Delegates duties to and briefs replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Collects logs and expense records from Officers daily.
- □ Submits logs and expense records to the Section Chiefs of Administration and Logistics daily.

### 4.3.8 OPERATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE SECTION - PUBLIC WORKS OFFICER

#### **Reports to: Operations Infrastructure Section Chief**

□ Responds to the EOC and establishes a work station.

- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates department emergency plan and notification procedure.
- □ Coordinates the provision of Public Works Department services.
  - □ Solid Waste Management,
  - □ Water/Waste Water and Drainage,
  - □ Public Works Dispatch Office,
  - □ Environmental and Technical,
  - $\Box$  Road Maintenance, and

- □ Street Lights and Traffic Signals.
- □ Coordinates winter snow/ice removal plan activities.
- □ Appoints a site incident commander as needed to liaise with Unified Command.
- □ Liaises with and advises EMT on Public Works matters.
- □ Coordinates with Region of York Transportation and Works Department and area Municipal Public Works Departments.
- □ Provides regular updates to Section Chief.
- □ Coordinates with Section Chief and EMT to ensure sufficient staffing is available, scheduled and additional human resources needs identified.
- □ Identifies supplies, equipment and services required and coordinates with EMT to procure.
- □ Coordinates with community and government agencies (TRCA, SAC, MOE, CANUTEC etc).
- □ Coordinates with utilities for disconnection and reconnection of services in the impacted area.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of critical services.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Delegates duties and provides briefing to the replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency
- □ Submits logs and records of expenses to Section Chief daily.

### 4.3.9 OPERATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE SECTION - ENGINEERING OFFICER

#### **Reports to: Operations Infrastructure Section Chief**

- □ Responds to the EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates department emergency plan and notification procedure.
- □ Coordinates the provision of Engineering Services.

- $\Box$  Infrastructure data,
- □ Traffic planning,
- □ Infrastructure maps, and
- □ Engineering drawings.
- □ Coordinates GIS mapping.
- □ Advises EMT on engineering matters.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of critical services.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Provides regular updates to Section Chief.
- □ Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Submits logs to Section Chief daily.

## 4.3.10 OPERATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE SECTION – POWERSTREAM OFFICER

#### Reports to: Operations Infrastructure Section Chief and PowerStream Senior Management

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Coordinates with Operations Infrastructure Section.
- □ Establishes communication link to PowerStream Operations Centre.
- □ Provides information on PowerStream's response activities.
- □ Provides information on power outage areas, load shedding and restoration timelines.
- □ Provides Infrastructure Technician with information for incident mapping.
- □ Advises the EMT on electricity systems matters.
- □ Attends and provides input at the Initial Briefing and Business Cycle Meetings.

- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Provides regular updates to Section Chief.
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- $\Box$  Submits logs to Section Chief daily.

### 4.3.11 OPERATIONS COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTION CHIEF

#### Reports to: EOC Director

- □ Orders activation of the Emergency Plan and Notification Procedures.
- $\hfill\square$  Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates department emergency plan and notification of alternates, officers and scribes.
- □ Oversees and directs the Operations Community Services Section functions and responses.
  - □ Buildings and facilities management,
  - $\Box$  Support services for emergency shelters,
  - □ Transportation of evacuees, staff and supplies,
  - □ Clearing of debris from public areas such as parks, trails, open spaces, and woodlots
  - □ Clearing of tree debris from all municipally owned lands
  - □ Snow clearing at municipal facilities
  - □ Mass burials
  - □ Establish and emergency worker centre if required.
- □ Coordinates with Operations First Response Section, York Region Community and Health Services Representative and Red Cross to identify and activate City facilities as Emergency Shelters.
- □ Briefs and updates team regularly.
- □ Advises and coordinates with EMT on operations related matters.
- □ Liaises with neighbouring municipalities, the Region, School Boards and community agencies to support the provision of assistance to residents.
- □ Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Ensures sufficient staff are available and scheduled to support the Operations Community Services functions in coordination with EMT.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services.

- □ Attends and provides updates at Initial Briefing and Business Cycle Meetings.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Ensures replacement staff are scheduled for Operations Community Services Section.
- □ Collects logs and expense records from Officers daily.
- □ Submits logs and records of expenditures to the Section Chiefs of Administration and Logistics daily.

## 4.3.12 OPERATIONS COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTION - BUILDING AND FACILITIES OFFICER

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates department emergency plan and notification procedure.
- □ Coordinates with IT Officer, Enforcement Officer and Liaison Officer to set up, maintain and decommission the alternate EOC.
- □ Coordinates with PIO and IT Officer to set up and maintain a media centre.
- □ Coordinates with PIC Officer and IT Officer to set up and maintain an alternate Public Inquiry Centre as required.
- □ Coordinates with Enforcement Officer to establish an alternate animal shelter.
- □ Establishes a rest area at the EOC facilities for EMT members.
- □ Coordinates with York Region Community and Health Services and Recreation Officer to open, set up, maintain and close, city facilities being used as Emergency Shelters and Emergency Worker Centres.
- □ Maintains a record of supplies used in the Emergency Shelters and Emergency Worker Centres.
- □ Coordinates with EMT to identify facility needs during the emergency.

- □ Coordinates with Logistics Purchasing Officer to obtain generators for municipal facilities.
- □ Liaises with neighbouring municipal and regional departments.
- □ Coordinates with Transportation Officer to move EOC supplies to the alternate location.
- □ Coordinates close down of City facilities that are impacted by the emergency.
- □ Coordinates restoration of damaged City facilities.
- □ Coordinates the implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services.
- Updates Section Chief on Building and Facilities activities.
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Submits logs and record of expenditures to the Section Chief daily.

### 4.3.13 OPERATIONS COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTION - RECREATION OFFICER

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates department emergency plan and notification procedure.
- □ Assists York Region Community and Health Services and Red Cross with setting up, operating and closing Emergency Shelters in community centres
- □ Appoints the Recreation Lead at facilities being used as Emergency Shelters.
- □ Maintains an inventory of facilities and supplies that may be used for evacuees.
- □ Coordinates with York Region Community and Health Services and Red Cross to provide leisure activities at the Emergency Shelters.

- □ Coordinates the implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services.
- □ Provides regular updates to Section Chief on Recreation activities.
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Submits logs and records of expenditure to the Section Chief daily.

## 4.3.14 OPERATIONS COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTION - TRANSPORTATION OFFICER

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates department emergency plan and notification procedure.
- □ Liaises and coordinates with EMT to provide transportation vehicles to support the response.
- □ Liaises and coordinates with York Region Police, Transit and school boards to access buses for evacuees.
- □ Coordinates with private transportation companies to access vehicles.
- □ Arranges for the provision of fuel for emergency vehicles, other response vehicles and equipment.
- □ Coordinates with EMT and Unified Command to designate pick up and drop off locations for evacuees, volunteers, staff and supplies.
- □ Coordinates with Unified Command and EMT on re-entry planning.
- □ Provides regular updates to Section Chief.
- □ Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.

- □ In coordination with Section Chief and EMT, ensures that sufficient staffing is available and scheduled as drivers.
- □ Submits logs and records of expenditure to the Section Chief daily.

# 4.3.15 OPERATIONS COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTION – PARKS AND FORESTRY OFFICER

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- Activates departmental emergency plan and notification procedure.
- Appoints an on scene Incident Commander to coordinate with Unified Command.
- Obtains a briefing from and establishes communications with the Parks and Forestry on scene Incident Commander.
- □ Coordinates clearing, storage and disposal of debris on city-owned properties, roads and sidewalks in accordance with legislation.
- □ Coordinates snow clearing at City facilities.
- □ Coordinates with Clerks for mass burials in City owned cemeteries.
- Coordinates repair of damaged woodlots, trails, parks and open spaces.
- □ Coordinate with Ministry of Natural Resources, Toronto Region Conservation Authority, York Region and neighbouring municipalities.
- Updates Section Chief on Parks and Forestry activities.
- □ Coordinates the implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services.
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- Submits logs and record of expenditures to the Section Chief daily.

#### 4.3.16 OPERATIONS COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTION – SOCIAL SERVICES AND HEALTH OFFICER

Reports to:OperationsCommunityServicesSectionChiefandRegional Emergency Operations Centre OperationsSection

- □ Liaises with EOC and if required will provide a representative.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates Emergency Social Services and Public Health plans and notification procedure.
- □ Oversees and coordinates Emergency Social Services and Public Health activities for citizens impacted by the emergency
  - $\Box$  Food,
  - $\Box$  Clothing,
  - $\Box$  Shelter,
  - □ Personal assistance,
  - □ Registration and Inquiry,
  - □ Care of unattended children,
  - $\Box$  Food and water safety,
  - □ General safety and sanitation,
  - □ Disease control,
  - □ Accommodation standards,
  - $\Box$  Health assessment needs, and
  - □ Critical incident stress management.
- □ Liaises and coordinates with EMT and Unified Command on evacuation and health protection measures.
- □ Maintains an inventory of facilities designated for use as Emergency Shelters.
- □ Advises EMT on social services, drinking water, food, air quality, disease and hygiene.
- □ Manages the opening, operating and closing of Emergency Shelters.
- □ Coordinates with volunteer agencies and City staff to assist with care of evacuees at the shelters.
- Deploys a Health Department representative to the scene as required.
- □ Liaises with Transportation Officer and EMS to coordinate evacuation of Home Care Clients to appropriate facilities.

- Deploys Public Health Staff to Emergency Shelters as required.
- □ Liaises with Regional Emergency Operations Centre, provincial ministries and neighbouring municipal Social Services and Health Departments.
- □ Participates on the Disaster Relief Committee to assess and approve applications for financial assistance related to the emergency under the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program.
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Provides regular updates to Section Chief.
- □ May attend and provide updates at Business Cycle Meetings.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Submits logs and records of expenditures to the Section Chief daily.

### 4.3.17 OPERATIONS COMMUNITY SERVICES RED CROSS OFFICER

#### Reports to: Operations Community Services Section Chief and Operations Community Services Social Services Officer

- □ May be required to respond to the EOC and to the scene
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates the Red Cross Disaster Response Plan.
- □ Coordinate with the Operations Community Services Section to provide
  - Registration and inquiry services to evacuees
    - □ Emergency Shelter services
    - Food
    - □ Clothing
    - □ Personal services
- □ Liaises with and advises EMT on humanitarian aid matters.
- □ Establishes a Central Registration and Inquiry Bureau (CRIB) for registration of evacuees, intake of inquiries and reuniting families.
- □ Activates a mobile Registration and Inquiry process to travel to designated locations.
- □ Management of donations of goods and services.

- □ Coordination of other Non-Government Organizations.
- □ Coordinate needs assessments on affected residents.
- □ Coordinate referrals for assistance for affected residents.
- □ Coordinate with EMT to implement outreach procedure for services.
- □ Submits daily situation reports of activities to EMT.
- Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ May attend and provide updates at Business Cycle Meetings.

# SMALL SCALE EMERGENCIES AFFECTING 25 PEOPLE OR LESS OF SHORT DURATION

- □ May be activated by Fire Incident Commander or EMT to provide food, shelter, clothing, lodging, hygiene supplies, referrals and registration and inquiry for the victims at the scene by calling (905) 953-3644.
- □ Coordinates with Operations Community Services Section Recreation and Buildings and Facilities to establish receptions centres as needed.

## 4.3.18 ADMINISTRATION SECTION CHIEF

#### Reports to: EOC Director

- □ Orders activation of the Emergency Plan and Notification Procedure.
- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates department emergency plan and notification of alternates, officers and scribes.
- Oversees and directs all administrative operations in the EOC.
  - □ Enforcement Services activities.
  - □ Ensures the Clerks Officer establishes and maintains a Master Events Log.
  - □ Ensures that updates are provided to the Clerks Officer.
  - □ Ensures that hard and soft copies of records are maintained by EMT members and submitted daily.
  - □ Identifies additional support staff as may be required such as scribes and directs the Human Resources Officer to recruit/reallocate appropriate staff.
  - □ Liaises with EMT members to identify and provide additional administrative services as required.
  - □ Advises EMT on legal and risk management matters, or may delegate this duty to a replacement.
  - □ Schedules Business Cycle Meetings in consultation with the EOC Director.
  - □ Arranges for minutes to be recorded at and distributed for all meetings of the EOC members.
- Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services.
- □ Ensures replacement staff are scheduled for Administration Section members.
- □ Ensures logs from all of the Sections are provided to Clerks Officer for filing and consolidation.
- □ Briefs and updates Administration Section members at regularly scheduled team meetings.

- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- Attends and provides updates at Initial Briefing and Business Cycle Meetings.
- □ Collects logs from Officers and Sections daily.
- Submits Records of expenditures to Logistics Section Chief daily.

## 4.3.19ADMINISTRATION SECTION – CLERKS OFFICER

- Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- Opens and maintains the Master Events Log, ensuring it is current.
- Activates department emergency plan and notification procedure.
- Deploys additional staff to assist with data management.
- □ Coordinates with HR Officer for runners in the EOC.
- Orientates runners to information documentation and gathering process.
- □ Requests additional staff for records management and runners in coordination with Human Resources Officer.
- □ Implements document control and records management measures.
- Takes minutes at all meetings, sets agendas and distributes information to all EMT members or delegates to a replacement.
- Ensures that a current list of property owners is available to EMT.
- □ Coordinates with the Medical Officer of Health, Operations Community Services Section Chief, Coroner's Office and local funeral homes to organize large scale burial operations if required.
- Consolidates daily logs into a daily situation report and distribute to EMT.
- □ Participates on the Disaster Relief Committee to assess and approve applications for assistance.

- Attends regular section meetings to update Administration Section Chief.
- Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- Submits records of expenditures to Section Chief daily.

#### 4.3.20 ADMINISTRATION SECTION – HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER

- Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- Activates departmental emergency plan and notification procedure.
- Establishes a site for assembly, intake, registration and orientation of city staff, temporary workers and volunteers.
- □ Coordinates with and refers citizen volunteers to Non-Government Organizations.
- □ Coordinates with EMT to identify and process requests for additional staff.
- Establishes a registration system and generate files for all temporary and mutual assistance workers recruited and ensures files are kept secured.
- Provides identification to staff, temporary workers and volunteers.
- □ Coordinates with Transportation Officer to arrange transportation of workers to and from work sites.
- □ Issues work assignments, work description, work site supervisor and insurance information to temporary workers.
- Advises EMT on human resources, health and safety and personal protective equipment matters.
- Arranges for critical incident stress counseling services for response staff as needed.

- □ Identifies staff who are overtired or in distress and takes steps to relieve them.
- □ Ensures there is sufficient human resources scheduled to manage the emergency for second, third shifts and for an extended duration.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services
- Provides input into the response and recovery planning process.
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- Submits logs and records of expenditures Section Chief daily.

## 4.3.21 ADMINISTRATION SECTION – LEGAL OFFICER

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- Activates department emergency plan and notification plan
- $\Box$  Advises the EMT on legal matters.
- □ Coordinates with the EMT members to ensure that appropriate site cleanup arrangements are made and carried out at the expense of those legally responsible.
- Collects evidence of any legal violations related to the emergency.
- □ Liaises with the Regional Solicitor and solicitors for neighbouring municipalities.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services
- Provides input into the response and recovery planning process.
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Submits logs and records of expenditures to Section Chief daily.

## 4.3.22ADMINISTRATION SECTION - ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- Activates departmental emergency plan and notification procedure.
- $\Box$  Coordinates security for the EOC.
- Advises EMT on Enforcement and security matters.
- Coordinates with the Police to assist in traffic control,
- □ Coordinates with Operations Community Services Section to provide security at emergency shelters.
- □ Coordinates animal control activities and care of pets evacuated and left behind.
- □ In coordination with Operations Community Services Section, may establish an emergency shelter for evacuated pets.
- Provides regular updates to Section Chief.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency
- Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ In coordination with Section Chief and EMT, ensures that sufficient staffing is available and scheduled.
- Submits logs and records of expenditure to the Section Chief daily.

## 4.3.23LOGISTICS SECTION CHIEF

#### Reports to: EOC Director

- Orders activation of the Emergency Plan and Notification Procedure.
- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- Activates department emergency plan and notification procedure.
- Oversees and directs Logistics Section functions for the response;
  - □ Financial management,
  - $\Box$  Purchasing,
  - □ Information Technology,
  - $\Box$  Planning,
  - Economic Development, and
  - □ Building Standards
- Briefs and updates Logistics Section on a regular basis.
- Advises EMT on logistics related matters.
- □ Approves unbudgeted expenditures
- Ensures records of expenditures are obtained from EMT members daily for consolidation by Finance Officer.
- □ Coordinates with EMT members to ensure all financial transactions, purchases, IT/GIS, Economic Development Planning and Building Standards needs for the response are managed by the Logistics Section Officers.
- □ Coordinates supplier agreements and contracts
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services
- Liaises with neighbouring municipalities and the Region.
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Ensures replacement staff are scheduled for Logistics Section.

- Attends and provides updates at Initial Briefing and Business Cycle Meetings.
- Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Collects records of expenditures from all Sections daily.
- □ Collects logs from Officers daily.
- Submits logs to Administration Section Chief daily.

## 4.3.24LOGISTICS SECTION – FINANCE OFFICER

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates department emergency plan and notification of alternates, officers and scribes
- □ Advises the EMT on financial matters and ccoordinates with EMT members to support the response.
- Opens a cost center to record financial expenditures for the emergency.
- □ Ensures the Purchase Orders, Credit Cards, cheques and cash are available to make emergency purchases.
- □ Prepares daily financial reports for EMT.
- □ Ensures prompt payment of invoices.
- □ Updates Section Chief regularly.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services
- Provides input into the response and recovery planning process.
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.

- □ Acts as chair of the Disaster Relief Committee as needed to assess and approve applications for financial assistance related to the emergency under the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program.
- □ Submits logs to Section Chief daily.

## 4.3.25LOGISTICS SECTION – PURCHASING OFFICER

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a works station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- Activates department emergency plan and notification procedure.
- □ Intakes and fulfills all purchasing requests from EMT.
- □ Maintains a current list of vendors.
- □ Coordinates with all Sections to identify feeding needs for frontline responders and Emergency Operations Centre personnel.
- □ Orders and arranges delivery of food and beverages to frontline responders and Emergency Operations Centre.
- Advises EMT on purchasing matters.
- □ Liaises with purchasing departments of neighbouring municipalities and the Region.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services
- □ Regularly update Section Chief on actions taken.
- □ Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Submits all purchasing records to Logistics Section Chief daily.
- □ Submits logs to Section Chief daily.

## 4.3.26LOGISTICS SECTION – IT OFFICER

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates department emergency plan and notification procedure.
- Deploys IT Technicians to Emergency Operations Centre.
- □ Coordinates with Building and Facilities Officer and Liaison Officer for technology for the EOC, Media Centre, and Public Inquiry Centre
- □ Coordinates with PIO to post key messages and update Vaughan on Line Site with current information related to the emergency and protective measures.
- □ Coordinates GIS support for the EMT and ensure that suitable equipment is available for GIS.
- □ Ensures corporate databases and applications are in place and functional.
- □ Coordinates with EMT to identify and support their needs.
- □ Ensures that IT support personnel are available 24 hour/day to support the response.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services
- □ Advises EMT on Information Technology matters.
- □ Liaises with IT/GIS departments of neighbouring municipalities and the Region.
- □ Regularly updates Section Chief on actions taken.
- □ Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Submits all logs and records of expenditures to the Section Chief daily.

## 4.3.27LOGISTICS SECTION – PLANNING OFFICER

#### **Reports to: Logistics Section Chief**

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates department emergency plan and notification procedure.
- □ Advises EMT on planning related matters.
- □ Liaises with Planning Departments at neighbouring municipalities and the Region.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services
- □ Provides maps and planning data to EMT.
- □ Coordinates with EMT to provide support to the response.
- □ Provides input into the response and recovery planning process.
- □ Updates Section Chief on actions taken.
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Submits logs and records of expenditures to Section Chief daily.

### 4.3.28LOGISTICS SECTION – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a works station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates department emergency plan and notification procedure.
- □ Advises EMT on Businesses, Industry, products and manufacturing processes, demographic information vacant land inventory.
- □ Liaises with business sector.
- □ Liaises with Economic Development Departments at neighbouring municipalities and the Region.

- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services
- □ Provides input into the response and recovery planning process.
- □ Updates Section Chief on actions taken.
- □ Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Submits logs and records of expenditures to Section Chief daily.

## 4.3.29LOGISTICS SECTION – BUILDING STANDARDS OFFICER

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a works station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- Activates department emergency plan and notification procedure.
- □ May appoint an on scene incident commander.
- Establishes inspection criteria for damaged structures.
- □ Identifies and prioritizes damaged structures to be inspected.
- Deploys Inspectors to impact areas.
- □ Issues orders on damaged structures.
- Establishes a system to facilitate issuing of permits.
- Advises EMT on Building Standards matters.
- □ Liaises with Building Standards Departments at neighbouring municipalities.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services
- □ Provides input into the response and recovery planning process.
- □ Updates Section Chief on actions taken.

- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Submits logs and records of expenditures to Section Chief daily.

### 4.3.30 PUBLIC INFORMATION SECTION CHIEF

#### **Reports to: EOC Director**

- □ Orders activation of the Emergency Plan and Notification Procedure.
- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates department emergency plan and notifies alternates, staff and scribes.
- Oversees and directs Public Information Section functions and response.
- □ Ensures information is provided to public and media.
- □ Ensures information is provided to Public Inquiry Centre to respond to public inquires.
- □ Briefs and updates team on a regular basis.
- □ Directs the establishment of a media centre, and alternate public inquiry call centre as required.
- Appoints and Incident Site Public Information Officer as required.
- Advises and coordinates with EMT on public information matters.
- □ Ensures that Public Information Section receives current information on the status of the emergency and public safety precautions being implemented.
- □ Ensures media broadcasts and print articles related to the emergency are monitored for content and accuracy.
- □ Coordinates with the EMT to ensure sufficient numbers of staff are available and scheduled for the Public Information Section.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services.
- □ May be required to act a Public Information Officer.
- □ Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.

- □ Attends and provides updates at Initial Briefing and Business Cycle Meetings.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Collects logs and expense records from Officers daily.
- □ Submits logs and records of expenditures to the Administration and Logistics Section Chiefs daily.

## 4.3.31 PUBLIC INFORMATION SECTION – PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

### **Reports to: Public Information Section Chief**

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates Crisis Communication Plan.
- □ Coordinates with Buildings and Facility Officer and IT Officer to establish a media centre with appropriate equipment and supplies.
- □ Coordinates with EMT to gather and obtains approval for release key information to the public, City staff and stakeholders.
- □ Informs public, staff and stakeholders of the status of the emergency, response activities and public action directives through various media sources.
- □ Informs Public Inquiry Centre Officer of key messages.
- □ Ensures the City's Website has current information posted on the emergency.
- □ Ensures communications links are established with Incident Site PIO's and Regional PIO.
- □ Provides support to, liaises and coordinates with Incident Site PIO's to ensure uniform messaging.
- □ Coordinates the preparation of photographic and /or video footage for the media if access to the scene is not possible.
- □ Coordinates pooling for the media to take pictures.
- □ Advises EMT on media procedures and strategies.

- □ Arranges for EMT members and other experts to speak to the media.
- □ Coordinates with EMT to set a schedule for regular media briefings and act as moderators at the media briefings.
- □ Monitors media coverage for accuracy and takes immediate action to correct misinformation.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services
- □ Provides updates to Section Chief regularly.
- □ Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Submits logs and records of expenditures to the Section Chief daily.

#### 4.3.32 PUBLIC INFORMATION SECTION – PUBLIC INQUIRY CENTRE OFFICER

#### **Reports to: Public Information Section Chief**

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes a work station.
- $\Box$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Activates Public Inquiry Centre Plan and notification procedure.
- □ In coordination with Buildings and Facilities Officer and IT Officer, establishes an alternate Public Inquiry Centre with the appropriate equipment and supplies.
- □ Identifies staff requirements and coordinates with Section Chief and EMT to appropriately staff Public Inquiry Centre.
- □ Ensures recorded messages are current on City phone systems.
- □ Ensures PIC staff log all calls to track inquires and collect statistics.
- □ Liaises with PIO and EMT to ensure that call takers have up to date information to provide to the public.
- □ Ensures that call takers are oriented to their duties and know the appropriate agencies to redirect callers.

- Ensures a translation service is accessible as required for call takers.
- □ Coordinates implementation of strategies to maintain continuity of and rapidly recover critical services
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Provides updates to Section Chief regularly.
- Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Submits logs, statistics and records of expenditures to the Section Chief daily.

## 4.4 EOC CLERICAL SUPPORT STAFF

#### 4.4.1 INDIVIDUAL SCRIBE

#### Assigned to: Head of Council, EOC Director, Operations First Response – Fire Section Chief, Section Chiefs.

Note: Operations First Response – Police Section Chief and EMS Section Chief are responsible for bringing their own scribes.

- Upon notification, convene at the EOC and report to EMT members.
- Establish work station with designated individual.
- Open and maintain a log, for assigned EMT member.
- □ Ensure that all important decisions made and actions taken by the individual are recorded.
- □ Ensure that the Clerks Officer or Clerks Support staff receives information to update Master Events Log.
- □ Track outstanding issues and alert appropriate individual.
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to designated replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- Submit records, and logs to Clerks Officer for storage.

### 4.4.2 SECTION SCRIBE

Assigned to: Each Functional Section (Operations Infrastructure, Operations Community Services, Administration, Logistics and Public Information)

#### Reports to: Section Chief

- Upon arrival at EOC, signs in on EMT Chart.
- $\Box$  Reports to Section Chief.
- Establishes work station with in Section area.
- □ Opens and maintains the Section log using management by objective process.

- □ Ensures that all important decisions made and actions taken by the Section members are recorded.
- Documents Section's incident action plan and tracks resources.
- □ Ensures that the Clerks Officer receives information to update Master Events Log.
- □ Tracks outstanding issues and alerts section members.
- Provides briefing to designated replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- □ Submits records and logs to Clerks Officer for storage.

## 4.4.3 CLERKS SUPPORT

## Assigned to Clerks Officer Administration Section

- □ Responds to the EOC, reports to the Administration Section Clerk's Officer.
- Documents information on Master Events Log.
- Assists with documentation of information shared in the Initial Briefing and Business Cycle Meetings.
- Documents Incident Action Plan for the EMT.
- Assists with document control and records management in the EOC.
- □ Assists with distribution of agendas and minutes to EMT.
- $\Box$  Assists with collection of logs from EMT.
- Provides briefing to replacement at shift change.

## 4.4.4 RUNNER

### Reports to:Administration Section - Clerk's Officer.

Upon arrival at the EOC, reports to Administration Section – Clerk's Officer for assignment.

- □ Collects information from Section scribes and deliver to Clerks Officers.
- □ Collects information from Individual scribes and deliver to Clerks Officers.
- $\Box$  Relieves scribes for breaks as needed.
- $\Box$  Re-supply scribes as needed.
- Provides briefing to designated replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status of the emergency.
- $\Box$  Other duties as required.

## 4.4.5 IT TECHNICIAN

### **Reports to: Logistics Section – ITM Officer**

- Upon arrival at the EOC reports to ITM Officer
- Trouble shoots hardware and software issues in the EOC.
- □ Repairs and/or replaces malfunctioning hardware.
- □ Assists EMT with hardware and software issues.
- $\Box$  Configures hardware as needed.
- Updates IT Officer of actions taken.
- Briefs replacement on actions taken, outstanding issues and status.
- $\Box$  Other duties as required.

### 4.4.6 OPERATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE TECHNICIAN

### **Reports to Operations Infrastructure Section Chief**

- □ Responds to EOC and establishes work station.
- Provides support to Section Chief, Engineering Officer and Public Works Officer.
- Assists in establishing evacuation and emergency vehicle routes.
- $\Box$  Maps incident and response.
- $\Box$  Provides GIS data.
- □ Provides technical data on City infrastructure.
- $\Box$  Prints maps on request.
- Provides input on response and recovery planning process for Section.
- Provides a briefing to replacement at shift change.
- □ Maintains documentation and submits to Section Chief in electronic and hard copy format at the end of shift.

# 4.4.7 GIS TECHNICIAN

### Reports to: Logistics Section Planning Officer, or ITM Officer. May work in coordination with Operations Infrastructure Section – Infrastructure Technician.

- $\Box$  Reports to EOC and establishes a work station.
- □ Plots incident and response on a map.
- □ Provides map layers on request of EMT.
- □ Provides GIS demographic data to EMT.
- $\Box$  Prints maps as required.
- □ Briefs replacement at change of shift.
- □ Submits records to Section Chief, Planning Officer or ITM Officer at the end of shift.

# 4.5 INCIDENT SITE MANAGEMENT TEAM



# 4.5.1 UNIFIED COMMAND

Unified Command is a structure that brings together the Incident Commanders of all major organizations involved in the incident at the site level to coordinate an effective response while also carrying out their jurisdictional responsibilities.

Unified Command includes Incident Commanders from first response agencies and potentially private sector, non-governmental sector, and upper tier government. The make up to the unified command structure will vary for each incident.

- □ Incident Commanders will establish a unified command structure at the scene and designate an Operations Chief (usually from the agency with the greatest level of involvement). The Operations Chief will change as the incident evolves and the response needs change.
- □ Incident Commanders will establish an on scene command post in the VFRS or York Regional Police Mobile Command Post and ensure integrated communications systems.
- □ Coordinates with Section Chief to advise on activation of the Emergency Plan and Emergency Notification Procedure.
- □ Establishes communications links with and provide regular updates to the EOC on priorities, plans, problems and progress made.
- □ Plans and coordinates response strategies and ensures objectives are achieved.

- □ Identifies resources required and coordinates with EMT to obtain resources.
- $\Box$  Tracks actions taken.
- □ Coordinates with the Incident Site PIO's to provide uniform public messaging.
- □ Identifies perimeters, evacuation areas and shelter in place areas.
- □ Coordinates evacuations with EMT.
- $\Box$  Establishes a staging area.
- □ Ensures safety precautions are followed and personal protective equipment is worn by responders.
- □ Coordinates re-entry procedures post emergency.
- Delegates duties and provides briefing to replacement.
- □ Evaluates the response performance.
- □ Provides input into response and recovery planning process.
- □ Submits incident reports.
- □ Attends post incident debriefing.

### 4.5.2 INCIDENT COMMANDERS (Fire, Police, EMS, City Departments, Health, Private Sector, Provincial Government and other representatives as needed)

- □ Establish a Unified Command structure and appoint an Operations Chief as the lead through mutual agreement. The Operations Chief is usually from the agency with the greatest level of involvement in the incident.
- □ Establish a command post and integrated communications systems.
- $\Box$  Open and maintain log.
- □ Activate each agency's emergency response plan.

- □ Advises on activation of the City's Emergency Plan and Notification Procedure.
- □ Establish and maintain communications links with the EOC.
- □ Provide regular updates to the EOC on actions taken and status of the emergency.
- □ Jointly evaluate the situation, plan strategies, set priorities and identify resources required.
- □ Coordinate through Unified Command with the EMT to secure additional resources and support.
- □ Coordinate response actions, monitor and review progress of their agencies.
- □ Assign staff to Unified Command support functions as required.
- □ Liaise with Site Information Officers and act as media spokesperson for their agencies.
- Demobilize resources at termination of emergency.
- □ Completes incident reports for their agencies.
- □ Attends post emergency debriefing.

# 4.5.3 INCIDENT SITE PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

- □ Responds to outer perimeter of the scene and establishes a media centre.
- □ Liaises with Unified Command, Incident Commanders and agency on scene Information Officers.
- □ Establishes and maintains a communication link with EOC and Public Information Officer.
- $\hfill\square$  Opens and maintains a log.
- □ Coordinates with Public Information Officer and EMT to secure resources and support.
- $\hfill\square$  Redirects inquiries to PIO as required.

- $\Box$  Responds to media inquires pertaining to the scene only.
- $\hfill\square$  Controls and redirects media on the scene.
- □ Coordinates with Unified Command to schedule media briefings.
- $\hfill\square$  Attends post emergency debriefing.
- $\Box$  Submits logs to PIO daily.

### 4.6 VOLUNTEER AGENCIES

#### 4.6.1 ST. JOHN AMBULANCE

#### Reports to: Emergency Shelter Manager or EMS Incident Commander

- □ Under the direction of York Region Community Services, provide first aid services at the Emergency Shelters.
- □ Upon the request of York EMS, provide basic first aid at the emergency scene.
- □ Provide sufficient volunteers to support the emergency response for an extended duration of time.

#### 4.6.2 YORK REGION AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICES

#### **Reports to: Liaison Officer and/or Emergency Shelter Manager**

□ At the request of EMT, establish radio communications at the EOC.

- □ Under direction of York Region Community Services and Red Cross establish communications at the Emergency Shelters.
- □ Provide sufficient volunteers to provide long term radio operations as needed.
- □ Assist with emergency communications in the event of telephone system disruption and/or to enhance communications capabilities of the EOC.

#### 4.6.3 SALVATION ARMY Reports to: Emergency Shelter Manager

- □ Under the direction of York Region Community Services and/or Red Cross assist in feeding evacuees
- □ Provide clothing for evacuees and bedding for Emergency Shelters
- $\hfill\square$  Provide mobile mass feeding at the scene.

### 4.7 OTHER SUPPORT AGENCIES

### 4.7.1 AREA HOSPITALS

- □ Provide advanced medical care to casualties.
- □ Activates Hospital Emergency Plan.
- □ Liaises with EMS to determine numbers of casualties, injury types and treatment provided at the scene.

### 4.7.2 SCHOOL BOARDS

- □ Assists York Region Community Services and Red Cross with the use of Secondary Schools as Evacuation/Reception Centres.
- □ Provides maintenance staff and cafeteria staff as required to support the Evacuation/Reception Centres in schools.
- □ Coordinates with Transportation Officer on the use of school buses, and personnel to support the response efforts.

# 4.7.3 ONTARIO PROVINCIAL POLICE (OPP)

- □ Responds to traffic related emergencies on provincial roads.
- □ Coordinates with Unified Command on matters of mutual concern.
- Deploys OPP helicopter on the direction of the Solicitor General.
- □ Liaises with EMT through Unified Command structure.

#### 4.7.4 CORONER

- □ Oversees and directs the investigation of fatalities.
- Determines the need for an inquest and initiates proceedings.
- □ Coordinates the collection of evidence regarding fatalities.
- □ Establishes temporary morgues and initiates autopsies.
- $\Box$  Coordinates with police to notify next of kin of the deceased.

□ Requests assistance of coroners in neighbouring jurisdictions.

### 4.7.5 MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT – SPILLS ACTION CENTRE

- □ Are notified of hazardous materials incidents.
- □ Provide computer modelling for worst case scenario impact zone.
- □ Assess, advise and approve containment, clean up and disposal of hazardous materials.
- $\Box$  Monitor and test air, water and soil quality.

### 4.7.6 TORONTO AND REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

- $\Box$  Alerts EMT of potential for flooding.
- □ Monitors flood areas and weather conditions.
- $\Box$  Issues flood warnings.
- $\Box$  Provides flood plain maps to EOC.
- □ Liaises with Ministry of Natural Resources and EMT.

#### 4.7.7 YORK REGION CEMC

- $\Box$  Acts as liaison between Region and EOC.
- □ Notifies Community and Health Services to deploy to City's EOC on request.
- □ Arranges for support from Regional Departments not directly involved in the response, as required.

#### 4.7.8 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ONTARIO

- □ Monitors emergency situation.
- □ Notifies Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services of declarations and terminations of emergencies.
- Deploys a community officer to act as liaison to the province.

# 4.7.9 UTILITIES, INDUSTRY, RAIL

# Reports to: EOC Director, Operations Infrastructure Section Chief

- Establishes a work station in the EOC Operations Infrastructure Section as required.
- □ Advises EMT on utilities, major pipelines, rail and industry related matters.
- □ Deploys Incident Commander to emergency scene to liaise with Unified Command as needed.
- Disconnects, maintains, and restores services

# 4.7.11 INSURANCE BUREAU OF CANADA

- □ May deploy the Community Assistance Mobile Pavilion to the scene and emergency shelter on request
- Provide quick access to insurance related information.

# **SECTION 5 – EMERGENCY OPERATIONS FACILITIES AND PROCEDURES**

### 5.1 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTRE

- 1. The City of Vaughan, Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) is located at 2800 Rutherford Road.
- 2. An alternate location will be designated by the EOC Director relative to the circumstances of the emergency situation.

### 5.2 MEDIA CENTRE

- 1. The Media Centre is a separate facility from the EOC and will be located with in easy travelling distance from the EOC. Potential media centre locations include privately owned banquet halls, City-owned facility not being used in the emergency response or Region-owned facility not being used in the emergency response.
- 2. The purpose of the media centre is to provide an operating base with telecommunications and power infrastructure for the various media sources who will report on the incident.
- 3. The Scene Media Centre will be located on the outer perimeter of the incident in close proximity to the Mobile Command Post. The scene media centre will be a designated staging area rather than a facility.

# 5.3 PUBLIC INQUIRY CENTRE (PIC)

1. The Public Inquiry Centre is a component of emergency operations that will operate in at City Hall through Access Vaughan or in the alternate location as needed.

# 5.4 COMMAND POST

- 1. A temporary command post will be established at the scene at the outer perimeter utilizing the vehicles of the highest ranking officers from first response agencies.
- 2. The Vaughan Fire and Rescue Service and/or York Regional Police Mobile Command Posts can be dispatched to the scene and upon arrival will be used by Unified Command as the central base of operations.
- 3. The Mobile Command Post will be situated on the outer perimeter, upwind of and with an unobstructed view of the incident site.

4. The Command Post provides integrated communications systems for first response agencies and communications links with the EOC.

### 5.5 CENTRAL REGISTRATION AND INQUIRY BUREAU

- 1. The Red Cross will establish a Central Registration and Inquiry Bureau (CRIB) to intake registration information on evacuees, intake inquiries and reunite families.
- 2. The Red Cross will provide the Public Information Officer with the contact number for the CRIB for broadcast.

#### 5.6 INITIAL BRIEFING MEETING

- 1. The Initial Briefing meeting is the first meeting conducted in the EOC when the Plan is activated.
- 2. When a representative, who holds a Section Chief or Officer position from each Section, the EOC Director and Head of Council have arrived at the EOC, the meeting will be convened. The following positions should attend the Initial Briefing
  - a. EOC Director
  - b. Head of Council
  - c. Fire Section Chief
  - d. Police Section Chief
  - e. EMS Section Chief (if attending the EOC)
  - f. Operations Infrastructure Section representative
  - g. Operations Community Services representative
  - h. Liaison Officer
  - i. Public Information Section representative
  - j. Administration Section representative
  - k. Logistics Section Representative
  - I. PowerStream Officer
  - m. Clerks Officer
- 3. First Response agencies Section Chiefs and/or representatives will provide a briefing on
  - a. The nature of the incident,
  - b. Impact areas,
  - c. Response activities
  - d. Protective actions implemented (evacuation or shelter in place)
- 4. Representatives from the other Sections and PowerStream will provide information on response activities.

- 5. Each attendee will identify any needs and issues for their Section and advise/coordinate with the appropriate EMT Sections/Positions to resolve.
- 6. The attendees may conduct an incident assessment using the declaration of emergency guidelines checklist to determine if the situation meets the criteria for declaring an emergency.
- 7. Each attendee is responsible for briefing the members of their Section on the information provided at the Initial Briefing Meeting.
- 8. The Clerks Officer will post the incident information from the Initial Briefing on the master events log.

# 5.7 INCIDENT ACTION PLANS

Incident action plans provide all incident response personnel with direction for actions to be implemented and the ability to track progress.

- 1. Incident action plans will be based on the eight response goals in Section 2.1 of this plan.
- 2. Incident action plans will include;
  - A. Statement of objectives,
  - B. Actions to be implemented,
  - C. Resources assigned,
  - D. Timelines for completion of actions,
  - E. Safety requirements where necessary.
- 3. The incident action plans will be developed using the principles of management by objective of being specific, measureable, attainable, results-oriented and time limited.
- 4. Incident action plans will be documented.
- 5. Section Chiefs will report on their incident action plans through the business cycle meeting process.

Section incident action plans will be incorporated into the EMT incident action plans by the Clerks Officer.

#### 5.8 BUSINESS CYCLE MEETING

- 1. The EOC Director will establish a schedule of meetings and will chair the meetings.
- 2. The EOC Director in consultation with the Clerks Officer will set the agenda.

- 3. The Business Cycle Meetings will be kept brief and address the following
  - i. Actions taken
  - ii. Status of the emergency
  - iii. Identification of problems
  - iv. Decision-making, planning actions and strategies
  - v. Coordination of expertise, personnel, equipment and supplies
  - vi. Formulating requests for assistance.
  - vii. Development of the incident action plan
- 4. The Clerks Officer will record and circulate meeting minutes and the incident action plan.

# 5.9 DEMOBILIZATION AND RECOVERY PLANNING

- 1. Each Section Chief is responsible for ensuring demobilizing of resources and recovery planning is conducted.
- 2. The purpose of demobilization and recovery planning is to establish a schedule and process for withdrawing resources dedicated to the emergency and planning for restoration of City Services and rehabilitation of the community as the situation is resolved.
  - i. Sections will identify EMT positions, frontline staff and resources to be demobilized when the situation shifts from the response to recovery phase.
  - ii. Identify outstanding actions to be implemented and assign the necessary resources.
  - iii. Create a demobilization schedule and advise the HR Officer of staff being demobilized and Transportation Officer of demobilized equipment.
  - iv. In coordination with HR Officer, schedule debriefing sessions for demobilized personnel.
  - v. Implement a continuity of operations plan for critical services provided by their departments.
  - vi. Designate business continuity responsibilities to specific senior staff.
  - vii. Identify equipment, vehicles and structures requiring repair and prioritize.
  - viii. Identify City infrastructure requiring repair or replacement and prioritize.
  - ix. Develop an action plan for recovery of infrastructure and coordinate with appropriate Sections/City Departments for necessary resources.
  - x. Evaluate effectiveness of plans and strategies.
- 3. Section Chiefs will share demobilization and recovery plans through the business cycle meeting process.

# 5.10 EVACUATION PROTECTIVE MEASURES

In an emergency situation or impending emergency, evacuation orders may be issued for the purpose of protecting lives, safety, health, property and/or the environment. The decision to evacuate an area that may be impacted or is impacted by an emergency situation is usually made by Unified Command-Incident Commanders and whenever possible with the Emergency Management Team. Upon determination of the need to evacuate, Unified Command and the EMT will implement the Evacuation/Re-Entry Plan.

Evacuation may occur prior to an incident occurring, when the incident occurs or after the onset of the incident. Evacuation is initiated based upon the level of threat to and safety of the public. In some instances, sheltering in place orders will be issued, when the external environment poses a greater threat than remaining in the building.

#### 5.10 DISASTER RELIEF COMMITTEE

- 1. The Finance Officer will act as Chair and set a schedule for meetings.
- 2. Multi-agency representatives assess and approve applications for financial assistance related to the Emergency in accordance with ODRAP guidelines.
- 3. Committee identifies sources for donor funds, administers donations and distributes funds to approved applicants in accordance with ODRAP guidelines.

# SECTION 6 – REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE

### 6.1 GENERAL

- 1. The *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* provides the authority for the City to enter into agreements with neighbouring municipalities to provide assistance during an emergency.
- 2. The City can request assistance from volunteer organizations, the private sector and community agencies.
- 3. The request or response to a request for assistance is made by the EOC Director.
- 4. The EOC Director on the advice of EMT makes the final determination to ask for assistance from or provide assistance to a neighbouring municipality.

### 6.2 ASSISTANCE FROM THE REGION

- 1. On the advice of EMT, the Head of Council may request assistance from York Region without the Region's Emergency Response Plan being implemented.
- 2. The Head of Council may request the implementation of the Regional Emergency Response Plan.

# 6.3 ASSISTANCE FROM THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

- 1. On the advice of EMT, the Head of Council may request assistance from the Province through the Provincial Emergency Operations Centre.
- 2. Financial assistance for private homeowners, small businesses, non-profit agencies and farmers, who have sustained heavy losses for essential items as a result of a natural disaster, may be available through the Ontario Disaster Relief and Assistance Program (ODRAP).
- 3. Emergency Management Ontario may deploy a liaison to the EOC upon declaration of an emergency to provide advice and assistance.

# 6.4 ASSISTANCE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Requests for assistance from the Federal Government for personnel, resources and financial aid must be made through the Province of Ontario. Federal assistance is only provided when the resources of the Municipality, Region and Province have been exhausted

# SECTION 7 – PLAN MAINTENANCE

#### 7.1 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE

- 1. The Emergency Management Program Committee shall consist of the following members:
  - a. The City Manager,
  - b. The Fire Chief (the alternate member shall be the Deputy Fire Chief);
  - c. The Commissioner of Finance and City Treasurer (the alternate member shall be the Director of Finance);
  - d. The Commissioner of Community Services (the alternate member shall be the Director of Buildings and Facilities);
  - e. The Commissioner of Strategic and Corporate Services (the alternate member shall be the Chief Information Officer);
  - f. The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works (the alternate member shall be the Director of Public Works);
  - g. The Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services (the alternate member shall be the City Clerk);
  - h. The Commissioner of Planning (the alternate member shall be the Director of Building Standards);
  - i. The Manager of Emergency Planning;
  - j. The Director of Corporate Communications; (the alternate member shall be the Manager of Corporate Communications);
  - k. One senior staff representative of PowerStream Inc., as selected by PowerStream Inc.; and
  - I. One representative from Vaughan Public Libraries, as selected by Vaughan Public Libraries.
- 2. The City Manager shall act as the Chair of the Committee.
- 3. The Committee is responsible for overseeing the formulation, development, implementation and evaluation of the City's Emergency Management Program.
- 4. The Committee is responsible for reviewing, updating, and approving emergency response plans and sub-plans for the City and recommending adoption of the City Emergency Plan by Council.

#### 7.2 PLAN MAINTENANCE AND REVISION

- 1. The City's Emergency Plan will be maintained and distributed by the Manager of Emergency Planning.
- 2. Proposed administrative changes will be forwarded to the Emergency Management Program Committee for review and approval and the Committee will recommend context changes for approval by Council.

#### 7.3 TESTING OF THE EMERGENCY PLAN

- 1. The City's Emergency Plan will be tested in whole or in part at a minimum of once per year in accordance with the Act.
- 2. Testing of Departmental Response Plans may be done separately or in conjunction with the City's Emergency Plan.
- 3. The Emergency Notification Procedure will be tested at a minimum of once per year.

#### 7.4 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TRAINING

- 1. Emergency Management Team members must attend yearly training on emergency management theory and practices in accordance with the Act.
- **2.** City Staff will receive yearly orientations on the Emergency Plan and departmental response plans.
- **3.** Each EMT member is responsible for reviewing the plan on a regular basis to ensure complete understanding of the process, procedures, roles and responsibilities.