

# City of PICKERING

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## An airport in Pickering

An airport can be an integrated part of the urban fabric. As our economy has transformed in the 21st century to be more knowledge-based, the airport has also evolved beyond being just a piece of infrastructure. Instead, airports are a critical node in an integrated global economic network.

Did you know that every major metropolitan city in the world has multiple airports? If the Greater Toronto Area is going to remain competitive in the new economy, then we need a secondary airport to strengthen our global and economic connectivity.

Hamilton and Waterloo airports are located outside of the GTA, the Oshawa airport has no room to expand, and Toronto Pearson has reached its economic capacity. Pearson's numbers have increased from 30 million passengers in 2009 to 47 million

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**“An airport is a great asset to any city – especially the creation of jobs, but also the economic base. We have 102 Japanese companies in our city, we have 86 German companies, and it just goes on and on – the airport did it.”**

Hazel McCallion, Former Mayor of Mississauga (April 9, 2019)

## An airport in Pickering *Continued from page 1.*

passengers in 2017. The businesses in the Pearson Economic Zone can't expand to suit their growing needs, including getting airside access and industrial space on airport lands. We have a unique opportunity to unlock the economic potential of the east GTA: the airport lands in Pickering.

### Why Pickering?

The Federal Government chose Pickering as the location for a future airport almost 50 years ago. No other metropolitan area the size of the GTA has this much land set aside for a secondary airport near existing infrastructure, including 400-series highways, railways, ports, and designated employment lands. It's time for the federal government to make a decision. It's time to seize this opportunity before us.

### An unprecedented opportunity

On April 9, the Toronto Region Board of Trade co-hosted an event with the City of Pickering where two of North America's top urban and economic experts discussed the economic potential of a Toronto East Aerotropolis.

Dr. Richard Florida, Director of the Martin Prosperity Institute at the University of Toronto and author of *The New Urban Crisis*, and Dr. John D. Kasarda, American academic, aviation consultant, and author of *Aerotropolis: The Way We'll Live Next*, highlighted the potential of an economic development zone anchored by a new airport in Pickering. Watch the video at [YouTube.com/sustainablepickering](https://www.youtube.com/sustainablepickering) or learn more at [economicengine.ca](http://economicengine.ca).



(Top) Moderator, Janet Ecker with Dr. Kasarda and Dr. Florida  
(Bottom) City of Pickering Mayor Dave Ryan



Basic interior renderings showing the approved design and revised lobby.

## Pickering Recreation Complex renovations

After 35 years, the main public spaces of the Pickering Recreation Complex are showing their age. The City hired Barry Bryan & Associates to conduct architectural and engineering design services for main floor renovations of the existing main concourse, service counters, related security and accessibility upgrades, change rooms, and the exterior of the main entrance.

Extensive community engagement was done with the public, Recreation Complex members and guests to shape the design of the new lobby entrance and change facilities.

View the results at [pickering.ca/recreation](http://pickering.ca/recreation).

Construction is expected to begin in December 2019, subject to Council approval, and take approximately 12-14 months to complete.

Construction of casino



## Development progress at Durham Live site



The casino at Durham Live will be one of the premier gaming facilities in all of Ontario, and is expected to be open spring of 2020.

The adjoining hotel with its LED exterior, and multi-purpose performance venue will open several months later.

Combined, they will form the cornerstone of Durham Live,

which will also include a convention centre, restaurants, an office tower, and film studios.

Upon full build out, Durham Live has the potential to become one of Ontario's Top-5 entertainment and tourism destinations.

Visit [pickering.ca/durhamlive](http://pickering.ca/durhamlive) for project details.



### Film Pickering

Next time you're binge watching your favourite show on Netflix, let us know if you can spot any Pickering locations! Most recently, Pickering's beautiful Nautical Village was featured on the hit series, Imposters.

Pickering has an exciting and eclectic mix of locations to film, and as the first municipality east of Toronto with access to both Highways 401 and 407, the City has long been a favourite for filmmakers.

## Community Banner Program Call for Artists

The City of Pickering is inviting Canadian artists to create, design, and submit original artwork to be used for a new Community Banner Program. Using a single or variety of mediums, artists can highlight the culture, heritage, and diversity of Pickering through the themes: **Live, Work, Play, Inspire.**

A total of 35 community banners will be selected and installed throughout Pickering's City Centre.

[pickering.ca/culture](http://pickering.ca/culture)



## Seaton welcomes its first park

Foxtail Green, located in the new Mattamy Homes subdivision, south of Taunton Road, includes a children's playground, small water play feature and shade structure, and is now open for play! Construction of a larger neighbourhood park in the DG Group subdivision will begin later this year, opening in 2020.

Pickering welcomed its first residents to Seaton last year, and upon full build out can expect a thriving new community of 70,000 residents and 35,000 new jobs, making it one of the largest combined residential and commercial developments in Canada.

**We want to  
hear from you**



[pickering.ca/haveyoursay](http://pickering.ca/haveyoursay)

## Cannabis and Alcohol

The City has sought public input on two significant community issues – retail cannabis sales and alcohol consumption in Pickering's public spaces.

The Province gave municipalities a January 22, 2019 deadline to either opt in or out of allowing cannabis retail stores within their boundaries. The City chose to opt out, knowing that it could potentially opt in later after it completes its community consultations and undertakes a broad based review of the issue.

The community survey is available at [pickering.ca](http://pickering.ca) from May 25-August 30, 2019. Visit the website to provide feedback and learn more.

**Next door to the  
Pickering Civic Complex  
Tuesdays, 9:00 am – 4:30 pm  
June 4 – October 1**

  
**PICKERING  
City Centre  
Farmers' Market**

**Join us weekly at the market for our theme days:**

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| June 4       | Pickering Blooms Because of You Day |
| June 11      | 55+ Aging Well Day                  |
| June 18      | Summer Camp Day                     |
| June 25      | Canadian EH Music Day               |
| July 2       | Summer Reading Launch Party         |
| July 9       | Museum Pop-Up Day                   |
| July 16      | Summer Solstice/Energy Day          |
| July 23      | Environment Day                     |
| July 30      | Safety Day                          |
| August 6     | Games Day                           |
| August 13    | Pickering Fit Day                   |
| August 20    | Mutts at the Market Day             |
| August 27    | City Programs Day                   |
| September 3  | Arts Day                            |
| September 10 | Parent & Stroller Day               |
| September 17 | Chef of the Day                     |
| September 24 | Cultural Kick-Off Day               |
| October 1    | Harvest Day                         |

**Bringing local  
food  
to your table**

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