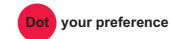




what sustainability strategies should be considered?



Sustainable Development is about development that aims to use resources to meet human needs while preserving the environment and resources so future needs may also be met. In guiding Vaughan Mills Centre towards a sustainable direction, a number of considerations will need to be addressed including, the level of development density; the future transit outlook and transit oriented development; the built form and land use mix; accessibility and how people get around Vaughan Mills Centre; and the green technologies and practices used in developing sites and buildings.

A number of planning, urban design, and architectural interventions exist that provide opportunities for creating a sustainable Vaughan Mills Centre.

Compact Development

Reduce development costs and use infrastructure more efficiently through higher density development which in turn makes housing more affordable, and is more efficiently served by transit and other community services



Green Technologies

Create buildings and sites that reduce environmental impacts, make buildings healthier and livable for people and achieve these goals in an economical way. Provide sustainable energy conservation improvements, and resource-efficient buildings throughout a building's life-cycle.



Transit

Expand transit to serve a growing community including enhanced service levels, transit facilities, and transit oriented development.



Mixed Use

Create buildings and neighbourhoods for more than one purpose with a variety of uses all in one area. Jobs, housing, and commercial activities are located close together, increasing the level of activity, creating a more vibrant place, and increasing amenity options for the community.



Active Transportation

Provide access for pedestrians, cyclists, cars, wheelchairs, and other modes of travel to provide barrier free movement for all people throughout Vaughan Mills Centre, and to improve connections with surrounding areas.

