

## Mayor highlights Vaughan Metropolitan Centre progress

During a meeting of the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre (VMC) Sub-Committee, held on June 12, 2018, Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua highlighted the ongoing progress, milestones and developments that continue to be achieved in the VMC (over the recent Council term 2014-2018). Of note, these include:

- More than 6,500 residential units in VMC were approved by Council
- 50,000 square metres of new commercial office space was approved by Council
- 16 development applications and projects in the VMC have been reviewed by the Vaughan Design Review Panel, several for multiple iterations and project phases
- Commitments for the first two pieces of public art were secured through development approvals
- The first two Expo City residential towers, the tallest buildings in Vaughan to date, were constructed and occupied
- The KPMG office tower, built by SmartREIT, was occupied by tenants in spring 2016
- The TTC Line 1 Subway Extension opened for public ridership in December 2017
- The vivaNext Bus Rapidway Transit Station and Highway 7 construction with enhanced urban streetscapes, built by the York Region Rapid Transit Corporation, opened for bus riders at the VMC in December 2017
- The reconstruction of Millway Avenue, between Regional Road 7 and Portage Parkway, and extension of Apple Mill Road east to Jane Street, was completed in record time to support the Toronto-York Spadina Subway Extension and the York Region Viva network of local and rapid transit
- The first reaches of cycling infrastructure were installed along Apple Mill Road and Millway Avenue
- Construction of the city's first flexible street, New Park Place, was completed
- Transit Square and TTC Plaza, the downtown's first urban plazas, were constructed and opened in conjunction with the transit infrastructure
- Construction began on The Met and Transit City development projects
- The detailed design of the Edgeley Pond and Park is progressing to tender documentation
- The topping off ceremony for the mixed-used building consisting of a YMCA, City of Vaughan library and recreation space, and PwC office space was held in April 2018
- Staff completed the 16 key capital projects identified as Term of Council priority initiatives to facilitate development of the VMC
- Construction is set to be completed on the SmartCentres Place Bus Terminal

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**ABOUT VAUGHAN:** The City of Vaughan is one of Canada's fastest growing cities with a population of more than 335,000. Incorporated in 1991, Vaughan includes the communities of Concord, Kleinburg, Maple, Thornhill and Woodbridge. This culturally diverse municipality is located in the heart of York Region and the Greater Toronto Area.