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Xpression condo breaks ground in Richmond Hill

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Xpression condos is officially under construction in Richmond Hill. Joined by town officials, Zancor Homes principals Nick Cortellucci and Fabrizio Cortellucci kicked off construction with an official groundbreaking ceremony last week.

Richmond Hill deputy mayor Vito Spatafora was

on hand to present a plaque from the mayor and members of council extending congratulations and best wishes to Xpression condos.

"Zancor is not just a company, a developer, coming into this community. They're a family that runs the company, that lives in Richmond Hill," says Spatafora. "There's thinking about how this is going to fit into the community, and it's not just putting up a building, it's putting up and building a community."

Zancor Homes' Xpression is a new mid-rise condominium complex of 452 units located across from the Hillcrest Mall and surrounded by convenient amenities like public transportation and an endless array of restaurants serving flavours from around the world. The building resides on a strip of land along Yonge Street, nestled alongside an established residential community of 20-year-old townhomes.

Richmond Hill is the geo-

graphic centre of the 905 universe, and Yonge Street is the spine of the GTA. This means Xpression is strategically located in a suburban neighbourhood set for revitalization with a major transit expansion plan and the rejuvenation of Hillcrest Mall in the works.

Designed by Tomas Pearce, the two 15-storey towers will rise from a six-storey podium with three tiered terraces and green roofs. The complex will contain 22,400 square feet of



Richmond Hill deputy mayor Vito Spatafora presents a plaque to Fabrizio Cortellucci (left) of Zancor Homes.

commercial space at street level and is expected to be completed by the fall of 2015.

Zancor homes is a family-run business that has been active in the high-end, low-rise construction sector for the past 35 years. With a respectable track record of delivering high-quality, single-family dwellings in such notable GTA suburbs as Brampton, Mississauga, King City and Brooklyn, this is their first foray into high-rise and they're looking to do more of them.

"It's an honour to be part of the diverse and growing Richmond Hill community," says Fabrizio Cortellucci, president of Zancor Homes. "This is an incredibly exciting time for everyone working on the project."

Above the modern, two-storey lobby in the front, is a second level with exercise facilities, steam room and indoor pool. On the third level are the social amenities: the lounge, the bar, a theatre and an outside terrace that spills out from the lounge area.

Xpression's gleaming new presentation centre at 9471 Yonge Street is the site of the very first Harvey's restaurant in Canada. The well-appointed model suite displays a series of rooms with rich finishes and luxurious

fixtures that will be standard for all 452 units. These are urban-inspired interiors in the 905 region that you'd expect to find in downtown Toronto.

Every suite is replete with oversized premium balconies, terraces and patios overlooking beautiful landscape and walkways. First floor garden suites come with up to 11-foot ceilings. The rooms feature bright and airy floor-to-ceiling windows, with wide plank laminate flooring in all living areas and bedrooms. Kitchens have custom-designed cabinetry including island, granite countertops and stainless steel, undermount sink and an Energy Star stainless steel appliance package.

And it's an affordable alternative for first-time buyers and empty-nesters says Cortellucci, who estimates that the average townhouse in Richmond Hill will run around \$500,000. In comparison, the suites at Xpression start at \$259,900 and range in size from 466 to 1,174 square feet.

Zancor Homes is celebrating the start of construction with a special offer to purchasers. Starting July 27th, for a limited time, anyone who purchases at Xpression Condos will receive \$20,000 cash back on select units.



(From left to right): Councillor Lynn Foster; Councillor Nick Papa; Councillor Greg Beros; Councillor Carmine Perelli; Fabrizio Cortellucci (Zancor Homes); Deputy Mayor Vito Spatafora and Councillor Goodwin Chan at the official groundbreaking of Xpression Condo.