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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



Thank you for supporting our sixth annual Meet the Chiefs dinner celebrating our region's public sector city building leadership.

Last year, Globe and Mail columnist and author, Doug Saunders, challenged us to consider the role of the Greater Golden Horseshoe in the future of a growing Canadian population out to the end of the century. His was a message of ambition beyond the already impressive growth trajectory that our urban region currently enjoys.

Therefore, it is most appropriate that this year's dinner puts focus on what we must do today to establish a solid and sustainable foundation for the growth we must continue to welcome in the decades ahead. To this end, we are pleased to feature two of the key provincial cabinet members responsible for laying the foundation for our future growth: transit improvements and infrastructure expansion.

Tonight, we hope to challenge ourselves to address how we can accelerate the emergence of transit-oriented communities across the Greater Golden Horseshoe by leveraging future transit infrastructure expansion – and current and upcoming transit service improvements. It is undisputable that recent regional transit service level upgrades are game-changing developments that immediately offer commuters expanded mobility opportunities.

The exciting fact is that transit-oriented communities have already gained momentum and traction in the Toronto Region – more than any other metropolitan area in North America. With the 2020 Urban Land Institute Spring Meeting set to kick off in the GTA in two months, we look forward to showcasing this regional urbanism story on the international stage.

Finally, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to all of our sponsors for making this evening such a success. For the third year in a row, our dinner has been completely sold out in advance. Thank you!

Leslie M. Klein
Chair
ULI Toronto

AGENDA

Networking Cocktail Reception

Arcadian Court - Gallery

Welcoming

Chief R. Stacey Laforme
Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation

Introductions

Leslie M. Klein
Chair, ULI Toronto

Chris Tyrrell
Vice President, Planning, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design, WSP

Remarks

Hon. Caroline Mulroney
Minister of Transportation and Francophone Affairs

Dinner Discussion

Roundtable Discussions with Chief Planners

Transit-Oriented Communities Panel

Introduction: Yvonne Yeung, *City of Brampton*
Presentation: Ken Greenberg, C.M.

Moderator: Hon. Kinga Surma, *Associate Minister of Transportation (GTA)*
Tim Cane, *Town of Innisfil*
Steve Robichaud, *City of Hamilton*
Catherine Rose, *City of Pickering*

Closing Remarks

Doug Allingham
Chair, Board of Directors, Greater Toronto Airports Authority

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HONORARY GUESTS



Hon. Caroline Mulroney

Minister of Transportation and Francophone Affairs

Minister Mulroney was first elected as the Member of Provincial Parliament for York-Simcoe in 2018, where upon she was appointed Ontario's Attorney General. In June 2019, she was appointed Minister of Transportation. Minister Mulroney has been focused on getting people where they want to go when they need to get there. Supported by a historic partnership with the City of Toronto in the fall of 2019, Minister Mulroney oversees the Province of Ontario's \$28.5 billion investment program in four new priority transit projects, an ambitious expansion of the GO rail network, and the development of regional transportation plans across the province. Minister Mulroney also serves as Minister of Francophone Affairs. In this role, she concluded an agreement with the federal government to finance l'Université de l'Ontario français, Ontario's first university that will be governed by and for francophones. Before entering politics, Minister Mulroney had a career in business and law. She served as Vice President of BloombergSen Investment Partners, a Toronto-based investment firm and she spearheaded corporate and regulatory matters related to growth opportunities in Canada and the United States for Wellington Financial LP.



Hon. Kinga Surma

Associate Minister of Transportation (GTA)

Kinga Surma is the Associate Minister of Transportation (GTA) and MPP for Etobicoke Centre. Minister Surma is focused on getting people in the GTA moving. This includes working on new transit projects, like the new Ontario Line subway project, the Scarborough Subway Extension, the Yonge North Subway Extension and Eglinton Crosstown West extension, which will connect to Pearson airport. She has spent time at both the Municipal and Provincial levels of government. She is passionate about getting people moving faster and more efficiently, by making sure transportation projects throughout the province are meeting the needs of travellers and businesses to help boost local economies and create jobs. Minister Surma holds degrees in Public Policy, Business and Commerce from the University of Guelph as well as Public Relations Designations from Ryerson University.

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John Andreevski

*Manager, Community Planning
City of Toronto*

John Andreevski has 19 years of professional land use planning experience. He has worked in various geographies throughout the City of Toronto including, Toronto and East York District, Scarborough District and is currently Manager of the East Section of North York District. At the City of Toronto, he has managed and been involved with a variety of projects including, secondary plan and local area studies, multi-phased new master planned communities, intensification and infrastructure issues within Growth Centres and along higher order transit corridors, and sensitive infill development. John has an Honours Bachelor of Arts in Geography from York University and a Masters of Arts in Urban Planning from the University of Waterloo.



Michelle Banfield

*Director of Development Services
City of Barrie*

Michelle is a Registered Professional Planner with over 24 years of experience in land use planning across Canada and abroad working in the public and private sectors. Michelle has a degree in Urban & Regional Planning from the University of Waterloo and a Masters of Arts from Athabasca University. She is currently the Director of Development Services at the City of Barrie.



Jason Bevan

*Director, City Planning Strategies
City of Mississauga*

Jason is a Registered Professional Planner with the City of Mississauga. He joined the organization in 2018 and is responsible for directing policy planning initiatives throughout the City. This includes the City's Official Plan and a vast array of housing and employment data. Prior to joining Mississauga, Jason worked at Hemson Consulting for over ten years.

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Bob Bjerke

*Director of Policy Planning
City of Brampton*

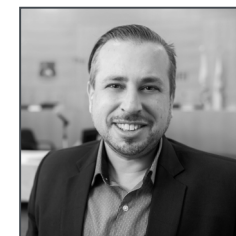
Robert (Bob) Bjerke, MA MES MCIP RPP is currently the Director of Policy Planning in Brampton. He is a passionate, effective community builder with 18 years of senior municipal leadership experience. Bob is the former Halifax Chief Planner and has held senior roles in Edmonton, as Director of Housing, and in Regina as Director of Planning and Sustainability. Bob holds a BA (Honours) and a Masters Degree in Political Studies from the University of Saskatchewan, and an MES in Planning from York University in Toronto. Bob is a past president of the Saskatchewan Professional Planners Institute, has served on the National Council of the Canadian Institute of Planners and on the national board of the Canadian Housing and Renewal Association.



Brian Bridgeman

*Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Region of Durham*

Brian Bridgeman is the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development for the Regional Municipality of Durham. In this position, Brian is responsible for establishing and implementing a long-term vision the growth and prosperity of the Region. Brian has over 30 years of professional planning experience in both the private and public sectors. He is a Registered Professional Planner and is an active member of the Ontario Professional Planners Institute.



Tim Cane

*Director of Growth
Town of Innisfil*

Tim is part of the Growth Services team for the Town of Innisfil. Tim played a key role partnering with Uber to create Innisfil Transit. Innisfil and the Growth Services team continue to innovate through the Innisfil Mobility Orbit centred around the new Metrolinx GO Station. In Tim's previous life, he worked as a planning consultant in Canada and Australia acting on behalf of clients for a variety of commercial, industrial, residential and institutional projects. Tim enjoys skiing and family life with his wife and two young busy boys.

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Cordelia Clark Julien

*Assistant Deputy Minister
Ontario Growth Secretariat (OGS) - Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing*

Cordelia Clarke Julien was appointed Assistant Deputy Minister of the Ontario Growth Secretariat (OGS), in April 2018. In her time at the Ontario Growth Secretariat, she has spearheaded initiatives to advance the discussion on Growth Plan implementation using a collaborative and solution-oriented approach. She is a leader in the conversation around growth management in Ontario and is quickly becoming recognized for her ability to facilitate discussions between diverse parties in order to generate concrete outcomes. Cordelia supports a transformation in our approach to growth policy to broadly consider all five facets of growth management including infrastructure, demographics and economic growth. Prior to joining the OGS, Cordelia worked as the Director of the Business Innovation Office and Corporate Services Branch in the Ministry of Labour.



Rick Conard

*Director of Building and Chief Building Official, Planning and Development Services
City of Brampton*

Rick is the Chief Building Official for the City of Brampton, Canada's 9th largest at one of the fastest growing municipalities. Rick has been in the building industry for 20 years in both the private and municipal sectors and has authored two publications on the Ontario Building Code and the Building Code Act.



Meg Davis

*Chief Development Officer
Waterfront Toronto*

Meg Davis is responsible for leading the marketing and development of all lands within the control of Waterfront Toronto. This includes overseeing development of the public infrastructure and coordinating the planning, design and construction phases of these significant developments. With over 30 years of experience in the development sector, she has been involved in shaping real estate development in the Great Toronto Area in increasingly senior positions in a variety of organizations both public and private. She has negotiated over \$3 billion worth of development deals and overseen the development of several award-winning innovative mixed-use communities in Toronto that have set new standards for design, sustainability and inclusivity. Meg joined Waterfront Toronto from KPMG where, in her role as Director, Public Infrastructure of the Toronto practice, she was responsible for managing multi-disciplined consulting teams for a variety of real estate, infrastructure privatization projects, government and public body outsourcing initiatives.

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Leo DeSorcy

*Programme Manager - Urban Design
City of Toronto - City Planning*

Leo DeSorcy is the Program Manager of Urban Design doing city wide policy work. He has worked for the City of Toronto since 1988. His work at the City of Toronto has included a balance of cutting edge policy work and the review of large site and infill development projects downtown until 1998 and in the inner ring suburbs of Toronto after amalgamation. His urban design interests include the Toronto's history of building dense but livable neighborhoods. Recent work has focused on the missing middle housing types and their role in this tradition.



Tija Dirks

*Director of the Transportation Planning Branch
Ministry of Transportation*

Tija Dirks is the Director of the Transportation Planning Branch at the Ontario Ministry of Transportation, a role she has held for five and a half years. In this role, she is responsible for MTO's long range transportation planning, and related planning policy, environmental assessment, modeling and forecasting, and environmental policy. She has over 20 years experience managing complex land use and infrastructure planning files. For eight years prior to joining MTO, Tija worked as a Director at the Ministry of Infrastructure on the Growth Plans for the Greater Golden Horseshoe and Northern Ontario. Tija holds a Bachelors degree in Economics and Geography, and a Masters in Environmental Studies.



Hannah Evans

*Assistant Deputy Minister, Municipal Services
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH)*

Hannah Evans is the Assistant Deputy Minister of the Municipal Services Division at the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH). In this role, Hannah has responsibility for policy implementation related to local government, municipal finance and provincial planning matters. Prior to this role, Hannah was the Director of the Director of Building and Development Branch of MMAH, with responsibility for policy development related to Ontario's Building Code Act and Building Code. She has also served as the Director responsible for coordinating Ontario's Syrian refugee resettlement initiative, and Director of Partnerships and Consultation at the Ontario Growth Secretariat. Before joining the Ontario Public Service in 2002, Hannah was based in New York City and Prague for 10 years where she was a senior member of the Foundation for a Civil Society leading community and economic development projects in Eastern Europe. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Commerce and Finance from University of Toronto and a Masters in Environmental Studies from York University.

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Richard Forward

*Commissioner, Planning and Development Services
City of Brampton*

With a passion for City-building, Richard's approach to guiding community expansion and intensification programs focuses on making connections through common ground that attracts, excites and unites community partners and professionals about investment decisions. An avid humanitarian, as part of the clean water team for Global Medic, Richard has travelled to Pakistan, Iraq, Philippines, Eastern Ukraine, the Congo, Haiti and most recently Grand Bahamas to deliver aid and support to those affected by war or natural disaster. Knowing the powerful and positive impact that people have when they are united around a shared cause, working together, sharing expertise, and delivering on a promise to positively contribute, Richard is well positioned to be part of guiding Brampton to implement Vision 2040.



Paul Freeman

*Chief Planner
The Regional Municipality of York*

Paul Freeman, MCIP, RPP is the Chief Planner for the Region of York. Prior to joining York Region in 2016 as the Director, Long Range Planning, Paul held various positions as a municipal land use planner for more than 25 years at the Town of Richmond Hill, most recently as Manager of Policy.



Mathieu Goetzke

*Acting Chief Planning Officer
Metrolinx*

Mathieu Goetzke joined Metrolinx as Vice President, Planning in August 2018, to advance the 2041 Regional Transportation Plan towards implementation. He is now Acting Chief Planning Officer, leading the Planning Division, the Design Division and the Sponsor Office to ensure that transit projects deliver on the benefits that the Province and its municipal partners are seeking. Mathieu brings over 19 years of knowledge and experience, with a focus on engineering, transportation, urban planning and development. Prior to coming to Canada, Mathieu was Co-Deputy City Manager for Urban Development and Quality of Life in the City of Lille, France, where he led large scale multi-stakeholder urban regeneration projects, including the planning of a new phase of development of the Euralille hub connecting the central business district to the high-speed rail, subway and LRT networks. Prior to working in Lille, Mathieu was Head of European and International Affairs for Transportation Research and Innovation in the French Ministry of Public Works and Transportation.

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Barbara Gray

*General Manager of Transportation Services
City of Toronto*

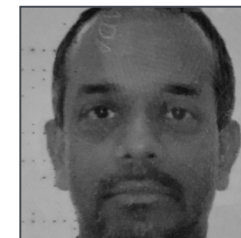
Barbara Gray's commitment to innovation drives her work as General Manager of Transportation Services in the City of Toronto. As Deputy Director of the Transportation Department in Seattle she led the development of the first city-wide Pedestrian Master Plan and Complete Streets policy and oversaw daily operations for policy, planning, and right of way management. She launched the plan to include a public realm activation program, a Project Coordination Office and a 24/7 Transportation Operations Center. Barbara joined the City of Toronto in late 2016 and has since successfully led the implementation of the King Street Transit Pilot, which was subsequently approved for permanency in March 2019, the City's renewed Vision Zero 2.0 Plan, the launch of Automated Speed Enforcement, and the transition of the School Crossing Guards Program.



Elizabeth Howson

*Principal, Macaulay Shiomi Howson Ltd
The Town of Uxbridge*

Elizabeth Howson, B.E.S., M.C.I.P., R.P.P. has over 43 years' experience with a focus on the development of official plans, secondary plans, intensification studies and other policy documents for municipalities throughout Southern Ontario including communities such as Milton, Mississauga, Guelph, Halton Hills, Oakville, Pickering, Markham and Oshawa. Her work goes beyond vision to implementation including her role as planner for the Township of Uxbridge since 1994.



Biju Karumanchery

*Director of Planning & Urban Design
City of Markham*

Biju Karumanchery oversees a complex portfolio which includes Development Planning, Policy Planning, Heritage Planning, Urban Design and Parks Development. He is a Registered Professional Planner with almost 30 years of progressively responsible experience in the Planning field. He has been with the City of Markham's Planning Department since 1988, and has held senior level positions over the past 18 years including District Manager and Senior Development Manager. Biju was appointed Director of the Department in 2015. He is a member of CIP, OPPI, APA and CNU and is currently a Board Member of CNU - Ontario Chapter. Biju graduated with distinction from the University of Toronto (Geography) in 1983 and holds a Masters Degree in Regional Planning and Resource Development from the University of Waterloo (1987). At Markham Biju champions New Urbanist planning principles, Sustainability Initiatives and Public Art within the city building context.

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Tami Kitay

*The Director of Planning and Building Services
City of St. Catharines*

Tami Kitay is the Director of Planning and Building Services for the City of St. Catharines in Niagara Region. Her portfolio includes Planning, Heritage, Design, Building Services, By-law Enforcement, and Development Engineering. She holds an Honours Co-op Bachelors Degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Waterloo and a Masters of Public Administration degree from the University of Western Ontario. Tami is a Registered Professional Planner with over 18 years of experience in progressive planning roles at the City of Burlington, City of Barrie, City of Hamilton, the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, and the former Ontario Municipal Board. Known for bringing urban design and public realm vision to the forefront of her planning work, she promotes a collaborative approach to community development.



Faye Langmaid

*Acting Director of Planning Services
Municipality of Clarington*

Faye is both a landscape architect and planner; with works ranging from highly detailed construction development to regional planning. After working abroad and in the private sector, Faye has worked for municipalities for the past 30 years. Faye's professional practice has ranged from construction management/maintenance, park planning and waterfront development to urban design, energy conservation and planning policy. Faye is the recipient of local, regional and national awards from the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects and Canadian Institute of Planners and from other agencies. Her current work is focused on environmental assessments, the protection of agricultural, natural landscapes and cultural heritage resources with the Municipality of Clarington. Among Faye's current volunteer activities include being the grants chair of the Landscape Architecture Canada Foundation, mentoring young planners.



Gregg Lintern

*Chief Planner & Executive Director
City of Toronto*

Gregg is committed to leading the City Planning Division to making Toronto one of the world's most liveable and equitable cities. In his 35 years of municipal planning, Gregg has held various roles and responsibilities in several different community planning districts across the City giving him a deep institutional knowledge, understanding of legislation, and history of working across the municipal spectrum. Gregg's proven track record in delivering transformative projects of both city-wide and local significance demonstrate his ability to steer city-building in a manner that consistently looks to the future. He has led many significant projects in the City, including a plan for Toronto's downtown known as "TOcore", the Port Lands Planning Framework, Mirvish + Gehry, Mirvish Village, Yonge-Dundas Revitalization, Billy Bishop Airport and Regent Park. Gregg strongly believes in a positive future for Toronto. As Chief Planner, his priorities include transit network expansion, housing affordability, proactive planning and improvements to the Development Review Process, and implementing OMB Reform.

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Kathleen Llewellyn-Thomas

*Chief Customer Officer
Toronto Transit Commission*

Kathleen Llewellyn-Thomas has served local government in Canada for 38 years; coast to coast from Halifax, to Toronto, the greater Toronto Area and Vancouver. Her roles have been diverse: Director of Engineering for the City of Toronto, Commissioner of Transportation and Community Planning for York Region, Chief Operating Officer for the Toronto Community Housing Corporation and General Manager of Arts Culture & Community Services at the City of Vancouver. She has served on Boards such as the Canadian Urban Institute, Municipal Engineers Association, Regional Public Works Commissioners of Ontario and Regional Planning Commissioners of Ontario and on the Board of the House of Compassion - a high support home for residents living with severe and persistent mental illness. Kathleen was named to Vancouver's Power 50 - the 50 most powerful people in Vancouver in 2017.



Heather MacDonald

*Executive Director, Community Planning Regulation and Mobility
City of Burlington*

Heather MacDonald is the Executive Director, Community Planning Regulation and Mobility at the City of Burlington. Previously, she was acting VP of Project Planning at Metrolinx and acting Commissioner of Planning and Building for the City of Brampton after a long and varied career with the City of Mississauga in numerous roles in the Corporation including Director of Policy Planning. She is both a Registered Professional Planner and Certified Human Resources Leader. Heather is an active member of ULI and a WLI Champion.



Lynda Macdonald

*Director, Community Planning
City of Toronto*

Lynda Macdonald, RPP OALA, FCSLA, is the Director, Community Planning, Toronto and East York District in the City of Toronto. Her team oversees all development applications and planning studies in central Toronto. In her over 30 years with the City of Toronto Planning Division, Ms Macdonald has overseen projects across the downtown such as the Central Waterfront Plan, Secondary Plans for the Fort York Neighbourhood and Railway Lands, countless small and large scale developments and most recently, moving forward implementation of new comprehensive plans for the Downtown and Midtown (Yonge and Eglinton).

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John MacKenzie

*Chief Executive Officer
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA)*

John MacKenzie is the CEO at the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) and a Director on the Board of the Toronto and Region Conservation Foundation (TRCF). John is responsible for executing on TRCA and TRCF priorities by working with the province, federal government, municipalities, businesses, stakeholders and the public to ensure successful development and delivery of TRCA programs. John has advanced work to transform TRCA into a modern, sophisticated organization by leading the development and implementation of a five-year update to TRCA's Strategic Plan. John represents TRCA on several intergovernmental and inter-agency committees to advance TRCA's mandate including the Port Lands Executive Steering Committee, Toronto Emergency Management Program Committee, and the Greenbelt Golden Horseshoe CA Collaborative.



Michael Mizzi

*Director of Zoning and Committee of Adjustment
City of Toronto*

Michael Mizzi is the Director of Zoning and Committee of Adjustment for the City of Toronto. He is responsible for city-wide zoning, and four Committee of Adjustment offices (Etobicoke York, North York, Toronto & East York, and Scarborough). He is also Director Budget Lead for the Toronto City Planning Division. From 2013 to 2016, he was the Chief of Development Review Services for the City of Ottawa, and then the Acting General Manager of Planning and Growth Management responsible for the delivery of all planning and Building Code services. Earlier roles in his career included Acting Director of Community Planning and Special Projects for the City of Toronto, where he focused on corporate priorities for the City Planning Division.



Ann-Marie Nasr

*Director of Parks Development and Capital Projects
City of Toronto*

Ann-Marie is the Director of Parks Development and Capital Projects for the City of Toronto, Parks Forestry and Recreation Division. In her 30 year career with the City of Toronto, Ann-Marie has led a number of strategic city-building initiatives, including the award-winning TOcore Parks and Public Realm Plan which established a visionary plan for the future of Downtown Toronto's parks. Over the past year Ann-Marie advanced three major strategies. The Facilities Master Plan, Ravine Strategy, and Citywide Parkland Strategy together represent a historic over \$2.2 billion ten-year capital plan to build new community centres, playgrounds, arenas, parks, trails, and improve Toronto's iconic ravine system. Ann-Marie is a University of Toronto alumni, with a Master's of Science in Planning.

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Michael Norton

*Senior Vice President, Transit Oriented Development
Metrolinx*

Michael's work focuses on TOD opportunities within the heavy rail and LRT portfolios. He holds a Bachelor of Architectural Studies from the University of Waterloo and a Master of Science in Real Estate Development from Columbia University. Michael's current role within the TOD Program focuses on leveraging Metrolinx transit and real estate assets, through a fair exchange of value with qualified third-parties, to increase transit ridership, improve the customer experience and ultimately create more complete and connected communities. Previously, Michael was also part of Metrolinx's Eglinton Crosstown Light Rail Transit (ECLRT) project team, supporting the delivery of a new 19-kilometer transit line within the City of Toronto. Michael has been involved in several large transit infrastructure projects that will transform the way cities and regions develop, including East Side Access in New York, the Red Line in Tel Aviv and the vivaNext BRT in York Region.



David Parks

*Director of Planning, Development and Tourism
County of Simcoe*

David Parks is the Director of Planning, Economic Development and Transit at the County of Simcoe. David is a Member of the Canadian Institute of Planners and a Registered Professional Planner in Ontario. David has worked as a Planner for over 30 years working for 5 different municipalities in Ontario. City of Orillia, District of Muskoka, Georgian Bay Township, Severn Township. David is a Graduate of Laurentian University. One of the main responsibilities as the Director at the county will be the implementation of the Growth Plan for all 16 municipalities in Simcoe County. The County of Simcoe will be undertaking a Municipal Comprehensive review over the next few years which will determine the growth the population allocation to the local municipalities to the year 2041. David also has the responsibilities of rolling out the county's new transit system.



Lesley Pavan

*Director, Development and Design
City of Mississauga*

Lesley is a Registered Professional Planner. She graduated from the University of Western Ontario with an Honors Degree in Geography and worked with a number of smaller municipalities before joining Mississauga in 1993. Lesley has been in a number of development and policy related roles at the City before becoming the Director of Development and Design in 2014 within the Planning and Building Department. Lesley's team oversees the development approval process for Mississauga, updating and maintaining the City's zoning By-law as well as promoting design excellence for Canada's sixth largest City.

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Marco Ramunno

*General Manager, Development Services
Town of East Gwillimbury*

Marco Ramunno is the General Manager, Development Services for the Town of East Gwillimbury. Marco is responsible for the Town's Development Planning, Long Range and Policy Planning, Heritage Conservation and Building Services. Before joining the Town of East Gwillimbury, he was the Director of Planning and Development Services for the Town of Aurora and the Director of Development Planning for the City of Vaughan. Marco began his planning career with York Region. He is a Member of the Ontario Professional Planners Institute and Canadian Institute of Planners.



Justin Readman

*General Manager, Development Services
City of Kitchener*

Justin is the General Manager of Development Services at the City of Kitchener. His portfolio includes Building, Corporate Sustainability, Economic Development, Engineering, and Transportation Services. With a Master's of Engineering in Public Policy from McMaster University and an Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science from the University of Guelph, he has focused his career on sustainable city development. Having been involved in strategic city initiatives (sustainability, affordable housing and economic development strategies, Light Rail Transit planning and design and Waterfront master planning) he brings a breadth of experience in building cities of the future.



Rod Regier

*Commissioner of Planning, Development and Legislative Services
Region of Waterloo*

Rod Regier holds an Honours Bachelor degree in Geography at the University of Winnipeg, and a Masters in Regional Planning at the University of Waterloo. After graduating, Rod worked briefly with the Region of Hamilton-Wentworth in planning policy; then for 16 years with the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador in various capacities: municipal planning, regional economic development and provincial economic policy with a special focus on dialogue between business, labour and government on provincial competitiveness in global markets. For 11 years, Rod provided leadership to a staff team and community of stakeholders implementing the Kitchener's economic development strategy Make it Kitchener. During that time, the City became known as a dynamic centre for innovation in the Toronto Waterloo Region Corridor.

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Stephen Robichaud

*Chief Planner
City of Hamilton*

Steve Robichaud is the driving force behind the City's long-term growth management strategy which is now being implemented through a new Official Plan, secondary plans and a new comprehensive zoning by-law for the City. Over the last 4 years, he has led and overseen the preparation of several award winning major initiatives including a new secondary plan and zoning for the Downtown, public engagement strategies, new simplified zoning in urban and rural areas of Hamilton and has led the Division's Open for Business initiatives to assist clients and lead continuous improvement initiatives. Steve's innovative and creative approach to complex planning issues and developing his staff's capacity to deliver innovative solutions has been recognized by Canadian Institute of Planners, Ontario Professional Planners Institute and Canadian Association of Certified Planning Technicians.



Catherine Rose

*Chief Planner
City of Pickering*

Catherine Rose is a graduate of the University of Waterloo with a Bachelor's degree in Environmental Studies. Catherine became the Chief Planner for the City of Pickering in January 2013. Prior to that, she had spent over twenty years as the Manager, Policy for Pickering. Catherine has been involved in assessing, commenting on, and implementing major Federal, Provincial and Regional policy initiatives over the last 35 years. Some of Catherine's major projects include a comprehensive new Official Plan for the City, a strategic Growth Management Study, the Central Pickering Development Plan and related Seaton Neighbourhood Plans, and new comprehensive zoning by-laws for Seaton and the City Centre.



Toni Rossi

*President, Real Estate & Lending
Infrastructure Ontario*

A 27-year Commercial Real Estate professional, Ms. Rossi leads the overall management of the Province of Ontario's General Real Estate Portfolio (46 M sq.ft and 1M acres of land) and provides realty advice, transaction, project and other realty services to various Public Sector portfolios. Toni recently served as IO's Interim President and CEO, as President of the Lending Division, and was also a key member of the Executive Team merging Ontario Realty Corp (ORC) and Infrastructure Ontario (IO) in 2012. Before joining the Crown Corporation, Toni was in Development at Oxford Properties with the majority of her Real Estate career at Cadillac Fairview. At CF she held many retail and office property management, business reengineering, national operations and marketing positions culminating as GM TD Centre.

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Carlos Salazar

*Manager of Community Planning and Design
Municipality of Clarington*

Carlos Salazar has over 30 years of experience in planning both in Canada and internationally. Prior to joining the Municipality of Clarington as the Manager of Community Planning and Commercial Development, Carlos worked for the cities of Winnipeg and Greater Sudbury. In Clarington, Carlos led the review of the Official Plan and now his focus is on the implementation of the Plan through secondary plans for residential, employment, and commercial areas. He has been a board member of the Congress for New Urbanism-Ontario and member of OPPI Council. Carlos has worked internationally with the Canadian Institute of Public Administration, The Canadian Urban Institute, and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities. Carlos is a recipient of the Governor General - Queen Elizabeth II's Diamond Jubilee Medal and has been a member of the Urban Land Institute for more than 30 years.



Jason Schmidt-Shoukri

*Deputy City Manager, Planning & Growth Management
City of Vaughan*

Jason Schmidt-Shoukri was appointed Deputy City Manager, Planning & Growth Management by the City of Vaughan in 2017. Jason oversees the City's Building Standards, Development Engineering, Development Planning, Parks Planning, Vaughan Metropolitan Centre Program, and Policy Planning & Environmental Sustainability, Departments. Jason is an innovative and visionary leader with a successful track record in transformation, organizational and operational effectiveness and efficiencies in both the private and public sectors. His management experience spans a broad range of industries including architecture and planning, design and construction and public administration. Jason is solutionsoriented and a pragmatic consensus builder. As Chief Planner for the City of Vaughan, Jason brings a professional management perspective on the development and implementation of public policy and city building.



Adrian Smith

*Chief Planner & Acting Director of Regional Planning and Growth Management
Region of Peel*

Adrian Smith is the Chief Planner and Acting Director of Regional Planning and Growth Management for the Region of Peel. With a population of 1.5 million people incorporating the City of Mississauga, the City of Brampton and the Town of Caledon, Peel is one of the fastest growing municipalities in Canada spanning urban, suburban, agricultural and greenbelt areas. Adrian has been providing planning services for thirty years within municipalities across the Greater Toronto Area and has also spent time working with small communities in various parts of the Country. His current role involves leading Peel's team of professionals dealing with a variety of land use planning, growth management, housing, development and regional policy issues. Adrian provides leadership in developing Peel's future towards a strong, healthy, and complete community.

CHIEF PLANNERS



David Stonehouse

*Director, Waterfront Secretariat
City of Toronto*

David Stonehouse is the Director of the City of Toronto's Waterfront Secretariat, part of the City Planning Division. David is an urban planner and a Member of OPPI. In previous phases of his career, David worked on Bring Back the Don and Evergreen Brick Works. David has been a sessional lecturer at U of T's Innis College (Urban Studies)..



Jason Thorne

*General Manager, Planning and Economic Development Department
City of Hamilton*

As General Manager, Jason leads a department of approximately 800 staff that has responsibility for a wide range of City services including planning, building, growth management, economic development, tourism, arts, culture, by-law services, and transportation planning. Born and raised in Hamilton, Jason has been working in planning and community development his entire career. While working for the Province of Ontario, Jason was one of the key architects of the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe as well as the Metrolinx regional transportation plan for the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area. Jason also worked as a planning consultant for communities across Canada and in Africa and Latin America as a Principal with the Toronto-based planning, architecture and design firm planningAlliance. Jason began his career working for a wide range of environmental non-governmental organizations including the Bay Area Restoration Council, Bruce Trail Association and Coalition on the Niagara Escarpment.



Eileen Waechter

*Director, Corporate Relations and Strategic Partnerships
GTAA*

Eileen has been with the Greater Toronto Airports Authority (GTAA) since its inception in 1996. In her current role Eileen is responsible for providing direction and oversight of GTAA's engagement and relationships with a broad cross-section of industry, business, academic and transportation organizations that play an important role in supporting the GTAA's strategic plans. Eileen has held previous leadership roles at Toronto Pearson in the areas of long range planning, commercial development and terminal operations. Prior to the GTAA taking over operation of Toronto Pearson, she worked for Transport Canada in a variety of roles focused on planning, commercial development and economic analysis. Eileen received her Bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of Waterloo.

CHIEF PLANNERS



Andrew Whittemore

*Commissioner, Planning and Building
City of Mississauga*

Andrew has the pleasure of leading some of the GTAs most incredibly transformative projects including Mississauga's waterfront revitalization, the development of a Downtown, and major transit oriented development projects. Andrew began his professional planning career in Halifax, Nova Scotia with a focus on development planning. This provided him a good understanding of implementation, and a sound foundation for policy planning. One of Andrew's professional highlights was his appointment to the City of Halifax's Regional Plan project. This was the first of its kind in Nova Scotia and considered ground-breaking. Andrew was awarded the Chief Administrative Officer's award for leadership for his work on the Regional Planning project.



Leslie Woo

*Chief Development Officer
Metrolinx + Infrastructure Ontario*

Leslie Woo is Chief Development Officer (CDO), the executive lead for Transit Oriented Development (TOD) program for two provincial crown agencies: Metrolinx, the regional transit authority for the Toronto centred Greater Golden Horseshoe and Infrastructure Ontario, the public private partnership expert for the Government of Ontario. Leslie is responsible for extracting value from transit real estate assets, so as to increase transit ridership, improve the customer experience and ultimately create more complete and connected communities. Metrolinx's \$60 billion expansion program is enabling extensive market driven opportunities for integrated station development. Leslie has been named, one of Bisnow's 2019 Toronto Power Women in Commercial Real Estate, one of Canada's Top 100 Most Powerful Women in 2017, Spacing Toronto's Transit Change-maker in 2016, Canada's Women's Infrastructure Network's 2015 Outstanding Leader and a 2011/12 Fellow with the International Women's Forum.



Paul Zuliani

*Director, Community Planning, Scarborough District
City of Toronto*

Paul Zuliani is a professional planner with more than 30 years of planning experience. For the last four years he has been the Director, Community Planning, Scarborough District, leading and inspiring a professional planner and clerical team. For 9 years, prior to that he was a Community Planning Manager. Paul has also been a Special Advisor to the Affordable Housing Office and he spent three years co-managing a staff team and a seven member cross-corporate managerial work team tasked with improving the Development Review Process.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Career Event

March 19, 2020, Toronto ON

Are you a soon-to-be or recent graduate? Interested in real estate and development? Not sure how to begin? Are you excited about the potential for success? If so, you won't want to miss the ULI Toronto Career Event! Participants will have an opportunity to listen to industry experts in ten roundtable-style discussions led by ULI Members with the opportunity to move around and hear first-hand about how they started their career, how to progress, advice on entering the field, must-have skills, and key industry trends.

Community Land Trusts and a New Era of Co-Op Housing Growth

April 2, 2020, Toronto, ON

A community land trust is a model, used throughout Europe and the USA, that acquires and holds land for the benefit of the people who live and work in the regions where they operate. This model is relatively new to Canada and recently has had tremendous success in Vancouver, creating a pipeline for the development of 2,600+ new affordable homes, including non-profit rental, co-op and affordable home ownership. New community land trusts are emerging throughout Canada and a network of practitioners are convening in Toronto this Spring to share ideas and ensure this model can be replicated and iterated in other regions of Canada. Panelists will speak about the potential of the community land trust model to boost new affordable housing production in the GTA. Come hear about why this model has the potential to expand scale, provide a healthy housing mix for complete communities and is flexible enough to be future-proof to changes in the policy environment over time.

Curtner Urban Leadership Program Community Town Hall

April 15, 2020 Toronto, ON

Participants of the 2019/2020 ULI Toronto mid-career Curtner Urban Leadership program will share their ideas for increased housing choices in Toronto's low density neighbourhoods often referred to as the "Yellow Belt". The Town Hall will begin a long overdue civic conversation with community representatives, city builders, politicians and city planning staff about increasing a variety of low scale housing options. The Town Hall will take place at the North York Civic centre and will help to launch the upcoming City Planning study of the Yellow Belt in response to Council's direction last July 2019.

Local Reception at the ULI Spring Meeting

May 11, 2020 Toronto, ON

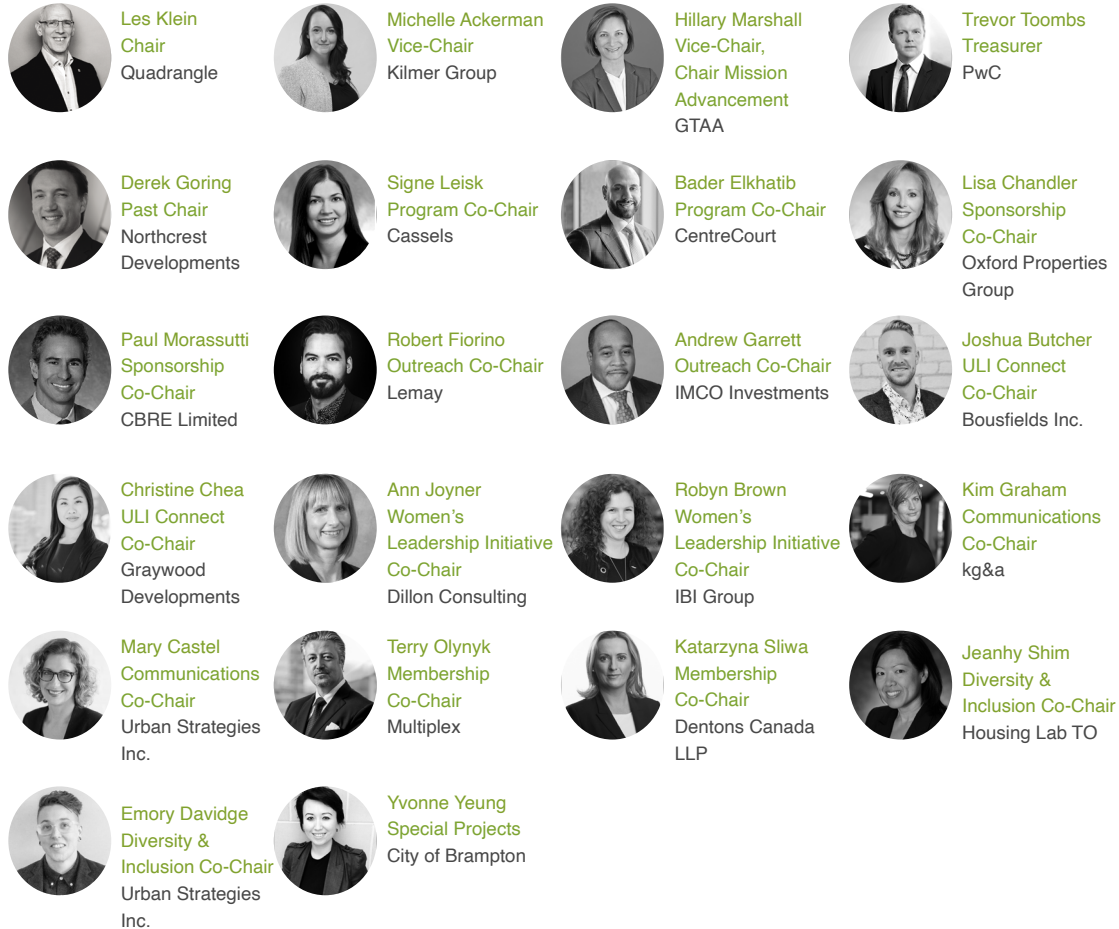
Join ULI Toronto at the historic John Street Roundhouse, in the heart of Toronto, near the base of the CN Tower for a special evening of networking inside one of Canada's largest and most beloved independent breweries.

ULI Spring Meeting

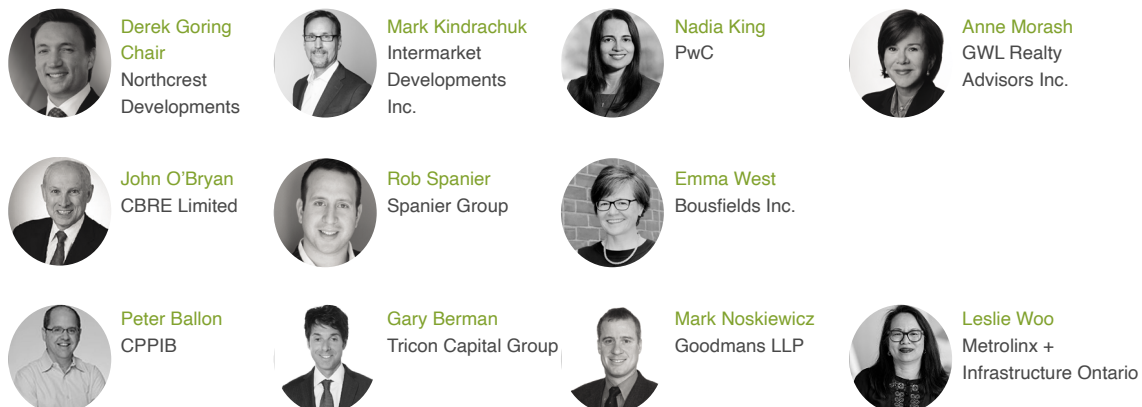
May 12 - 14, 2020 Toronto, ON

The ULI Spring Meeting brings together over 4,000 of the most experienced and influential executives in the industry. Every sector is represented, including residential, retail, office, industrial, and hotel/resort developments. 94% of attendees report making at least one connection that helps their business. Join more than 3,000 senior leaders from every community and sector of real estate May 12-14 in Toronto. Build valuable relationships, engage in peer-to-peer exchanges, and examine real deals.

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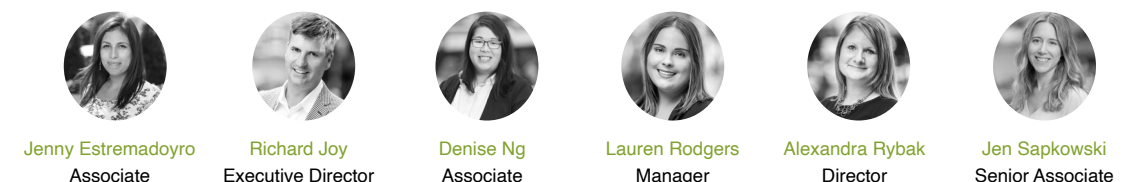
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