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Thornhill residents celebrate their five-acre park, Thornhill Green



From left to right: Joyce Frustaglio, Regional Councillor; Linda D. Jackson, Mayor of Vaughan; Madeline Zito, Director of Corporate Communications; Alan Shefman, Ward 5 Councillor; Mario Ferri, Regional Councillor; Sandra Yeung Racco, Ward 4 Councillor; and Fred Darvish, President of Liberty Development kicked off the park opening ceremony with a friendly welcome to Thornhill City Centre

The rain held off as hundreds gathered under the partly cloudy but warm sky to celebrate the opening of Thornhill Green, a five-acre park in Vaughan.

Thornhill Green, the City of Vaughan's first "urban park" was officially opened to the public on Sunday, August 17. Dedicated to the City by builder Liberty Development, the celebration was attended by approximately 500 residents, including Mayor Linda Jackson, Councillor Alan Shefman and other dignitaries.

Mayor Jackson and Councillor Shefman performed the ribbon-cutting for the new five-acre park, which includes a one-acre woodlot. This park area represents 1/5th of the total Thornhill City Centre land. The Mayor also unveiled a permanent plaque recognizing the significant contributions of Liberty Development to the Thornhill City Centre community.

Residents and dignitaries alike enjoyed the park opening celebration and festivities which included face painting, entertainment by strolling buskers, a magician and lively music. Ice cream, hamburgers, hot dogs and pizza added to the festive mood.

Local Ward 5 Thornhill residents got the opportunity to name the urban park. With all the greenspace available, "Thornhill Green" fits perfectly for the park's new name.

"There is an abundance of greenspace at Thornhill Green," says Lori Nusbaum of Liberty Development. "This is not your typical park with soccer and baseball fields. It has a lot of green and open sitting space, which greatly complements the condo lifestyle at Thornhill City Centre."

There's a jungle gym play area for the kids, and a pagoda

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to sit under and relax with a book. It will be covered in growing vine plants to add even more greenery to the park.

To honour the Thornhill City Centre community and the City of Vaughan, the park opening celebration will continue with special sales events throughout September at the Thornhill City Centre sales office, located adjacent to Thornhill Green at 7890 Bathurst St. at Beverly Glen.



Pictured above: Council members and Liberty Development Principals stand in front of the plaque displaying the park name
Pictured below: The colour co-ordinated children's play area is surrounded by lush greenery

