

# COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



## United Way of Ajax-Pickering Uxbridge

Bonnie Harkness, CEO and Gayle Clow, longstanding volunteer appeared before Council to thank the City for their support in 2008. Ms. Clow discussed the volunteer needs of the United Way.

### Did you know...?

In 2008, the United Way of Ajax-Pickering-Uxbridge raised a total of \$1.7 million dollars!

## Proclamations

- March 21, 2009 as International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
- April 2009 as Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month
- May 2009 as Hearing Awareness Month
- May 2009 as Asian Heritage Month
- May 25, 2009 as Green Ribbon of Hope Campaign and National Missing Children's Day

## Region of Durham's Growth Plan Implementation Study

The Region of Durham's Growth Plan Implementation Study was initiated in 2007. The purpose of this study is to bring the Regional Official Plan into conformity with the Provincial Growth Plan for the Golden Horseshoe. The Region of Durham has asked for the City of Pickering's input into this study.

The City of Pickering approved the recommendations made in the Region of Durham's Growth Plan Implementation Study and included the following recommendations to the Region;

- Requested various amendments to the land use structure in Exhibit 4, and the transit priority network in Exhibit 8.
- Requested that the Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure extend the required Growth Plan Conformity submission deadline by one year, to June 16, 2010.
- Requested that the Region of Durham clarify the population and employment figures in Northeast Pickering, Seaton and the existing Pickering urban area, including the corridors, urban growth centre, and the airport and non-airport employment figures.
- Requested that the Region of Durham be advised that the City reconfirms its position that it does not support a Pickering airport.

**See Report PD 13-09 for further information.**

**Application for Minor Variance –  
Sign By-law 2439/07, as amended**

Council approved the application for a minor variance to the Sign By-law 2439/07, as submitted by Bayfield Realty Advisors on behalf of Pickering Brock Centre for property municipally known as 1755-1805 Pickering-Brock Centre.

**Certificate of Approval**

Council supported the Application to Amend Ministry of the Environment Certificate of Approval # A680301 from Direct Line Environmental Services Inc. for property municipally known as 1048, 1060/1070 Toy Avenue, subject to several conditions related to site operations and site plan approval.