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PICKERING — CITY DEVELOPING NEW NEIGHBOURHOOD TRAFFIC-CALMING RULES
Pickering is asking residents to participate in development of new Neighbourhood Traffic Calming Measures Guidelines. The guidelines will establish how the City evaluates speeding and other neighbourhood traffic concerns and determines where traffic-calming measures should be introduced.

PICKERING — DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS GO BEFORE COMMITTEE NEXT WEEK
Pickering's Committee of Adjustment has a public hearing scheduled for October 14. The City's current public notices include the upcoming hearing as development and planning continue to be major issues ahead of the municipal election.

BOWMANVILLE — 1,700 PEOPLE TURN OUT FOR NEW COMMUNITY COMPLEX OPENING
Clarington says approximately 1,700 people attended Saturday's opening of the new Bowmanville Community Complex dome. The first phase includes a FIFA-sized indoor turf field and three-lane walking track. Regular programs and rentals begin October 13, while additional facilities — including the aquatic centre — are still to come.

PORT PERRY / SCUGOG — DEVELOPMENT AND INFRA-STRUCTURE ENTER FINAL CAMPAIGN STRETCH
Port Perry and Scugog enter the final weeks of the municipal campaign with development, property taxes, infrastructure and the future character of the community among the central issues. Internet voting begins October 14.

Thursday, October 8, 2026

WHITBY — POLICE SEARCH FOR SUSPECT LINKED TO MULTIPLE RESTAURANT BREAK-INS
Durham Regional Police released information Thursday morning, October 8, about a suspect believed responsible for several restaurant break-ins in Whitby. The latest reported incident occurred September 18 at Los Cabos on Dundas Street East near Hopkins Street, where cash was stolen. Police believe the same suspect may be responsible for similar break-ins dating back more than a year. Investigators are requesting public assistance identifying the individual.

WHITBY — FOOD RETAILER CLOSING AS COMPANY EXITS CANADA
Frozen-food retailer Wild Fork has announced it is leaving the Canadian market. Its Whitby location is among the stores scheduled to close by December 14, potentially earlier if inventory sells out. Online delivery and pickup services will continue until October 13. Durham

PICKERING — \$3 BILLION IN NUCLEAR CONTRACTS CREATE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES
Major contracts connected with the refurbishment of the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station have an aggregate value of approximately \$3 billion. The announced work includes reactor refurbishment and turbine-generator replacement. Project execution is expected to begin in January 2027, subject to regulatory approval. Construction

AJAX — TOWN RECOGNIZED FOR CYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE
Ajax has maintained its Silver Bicycle Friendly Community designation from the Share the Road Cycling Coalition. The recognition reflects the municipality's continuing efforts to improve cycling infrastructure and encourage active transportation.

Friday, October 9, 2026

AJAX / PICKERING — MAYORAL CANDIDATES PITCH BUSINESS COMMUNITY
Ajax and Pickering mayoral candidates have been making their cases directly to the local business community at a Board of Trade election forum. Economic development, taxes and municipal conditions affecting businesses are emerging as important campaign themes.

WHY IT MATTERS: Local businesses create jobs and contribute substantially to the municipal tax base. Candidates should explain not simply how they plan to attract new investment, but how they intend to keep existing businesses in Durham.

WHITBY — AFFORDABILITY, HOUSING AND GROWTH DOMINATE MAYORAL DEBATE
Whitby mayoral candidates are debating affordability, housing development and the pace of community growth as voters prepare to cast ballots.

WHY IT MATTERS: Whitby continues to expand rapidly. The next council will have to balance new housing with roads, schools, transit, water, sewage and recreation infrastructure.

OSHAWA — RITSON ROAD RESTRICTIONS START MONDAY
Durham Region says lane restrictions will begin October 12 on Ritson Road North between Conlin Road East and Britannia Road East. The work is required to construct a temporary asphalt sidewalk and is expected to continue until November 20.

WHY IT MATTERS: North Oshawa is growing quickly and already experiences heavy traffic. Residents should prepare for additional delays along a major north-south route.

OSHAWA — HOMELESSNESS AND DOWNTOWN CONDITIONS DOMINATE MAYORAL DEBATE
Oshawa mayoral candidates are putting homelessness and downtown safety at the centre of the campaign. The debate comes as the Canadian Automotive Museum says it has received nearly \$3,000 in nuisance-related fines while also reporting recurring problems involving trespassing, vandalism and disorder around its property.

WHY IT MATTERS: Downtown Oshawa is becoming one of the clearest tests of municipal leadership. Residents and businesses want solutions that address homelessness while also protecting public safety, private property and downtown economic activity.

SCUGOG — MAYORAL FORUM NOW AVAILABLE: WARD 4 DEBATE SET FOR OCTOBER 13.
Scugog residents can now watch the recorded mayoral candidates forum ahead of the October 26 election. A Ward 4 candidates debate is also scheduled for October 13 at the Nestleton Community Centre.

WHY IT MATTERS: Internet voting in Scugog begins October 14. Candidates now have only days — not weeks — to convince many residents before ballots begin being cast.

BOWMANVILLE / CLARINGTON — VOTER INFORMATION LETTERS ARRIVING
Clarington is reminding residents to watch for their Voter Information Letters as voting approaches. Voting in Clarington is scheduled from October 20 through October 26.

WHY IT MATTERS: Bowmanville and Clarington are dealing with rapid housing growth, major road construction and expanding recreation infrastructure. The council elected this month will make decisions affecting how that growth is managed and financed.

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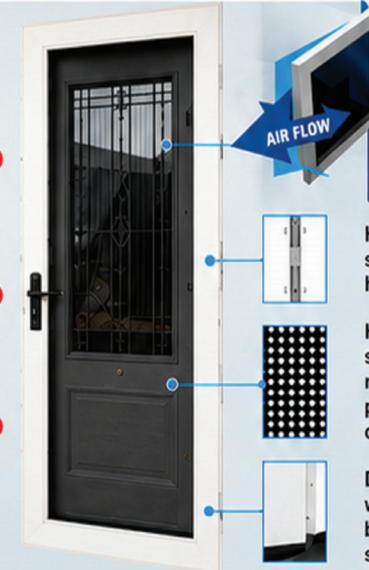


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