The MET Condos and ICT.

Expanding for multifamily growth.

Project overview.

The MET is a multi-purpose community 30 minutes from downtown Toronto, in Vaughan, Ontario. Anchored by a 35-floor quadrangle-designed tower with over 500 suites, it's surrounded by 62 town homes, and includes amenities such as a sports bar, private dining rooms, a gym, hot tub, and sauna. With easy connections to downtown via the subway, it's one of the first high-density neighbourhoods to emerge around the burgeoning Vaughan Metropolitan Center area which also boasts the nearby Kortright Center for Conservation.

Location.

Vaughan, Canada.

Industry.

Multifamily Residential.

Integrator.

Citywide Automation.

Floors.

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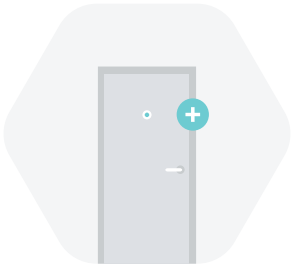


Apartments.

560+ Residences.

Card Holders.

1400.

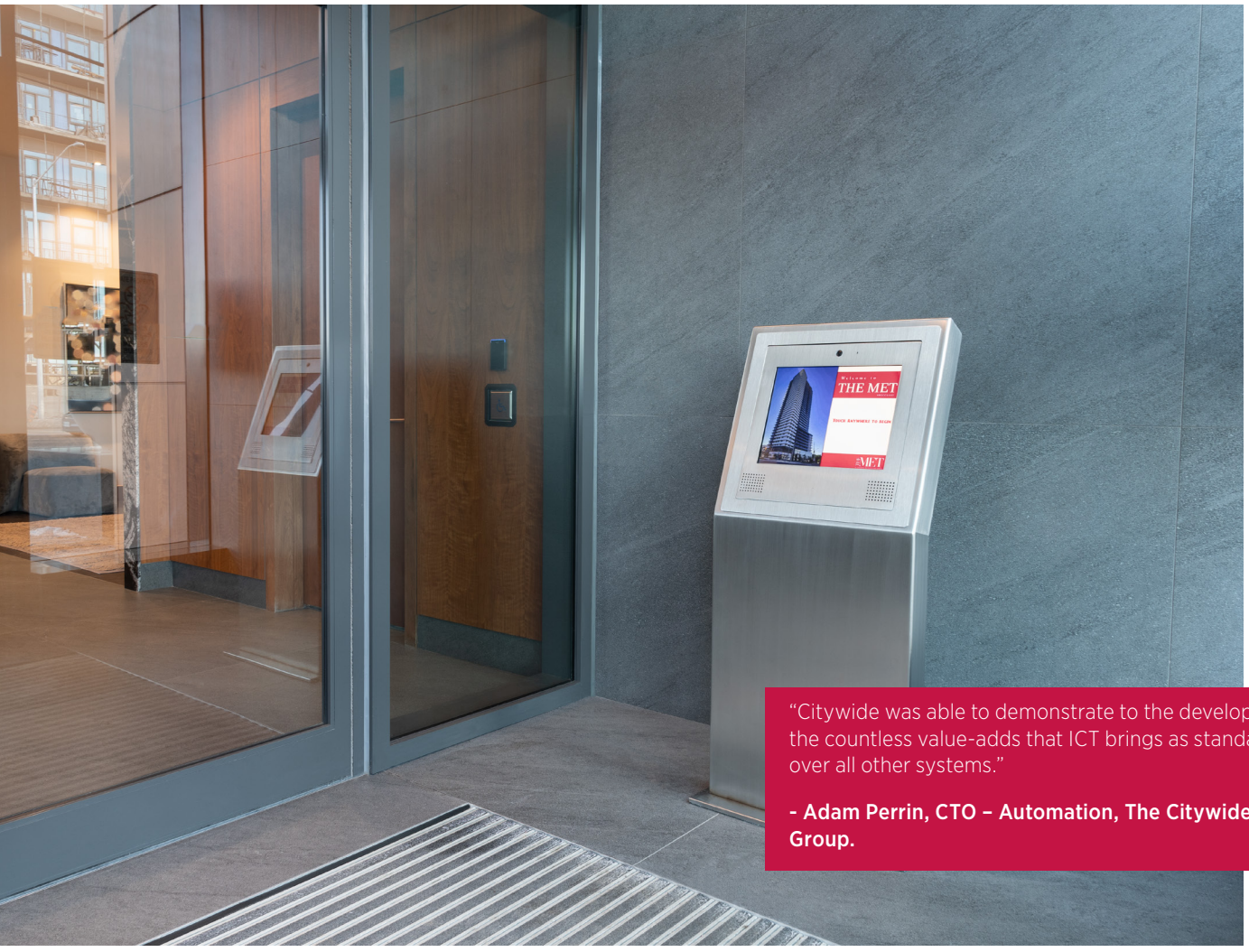
A closer look.

Project highlights.

- Future proofed with mobile credentials (and multi-technology readers)
- Integration with video surveillance
- Simple solution for complex parking requirements
- Protege GX floorplan to assist concierge
- ICT Entry Stations for visitor access via video intercom

Products & services.

- Protege GX
- Video integration
- Mobile credentials
- 4-button remote fobs
- Entry Stations
- Protege Mobile App



"Citywide was able to demonstrate to the developer the countless value-adds that ICT brings as standard, over all other systems."

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The story.

The challenge was to select a security system for The MET that had the future in mind, in addition to supplying a robust solution for today. For Adam Perrin, CTO – Automation at Toronto based integration partners The Citywide Group, that's why any decision had to be about more than just access control systems or commercial alarms and monitoring.

> ICT isn't strictly about providing cutting edge access control, it's also about the relationship. We can always rely on the ICT team to help with design, implementation and troubleshooting, even in complex and custom projects like The MET.
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Simplicity in action.

Despite the complex array of Protege GX features in use, the simple interface has proved invaluable for users at The MET. The 72 doors have been simplified onto one easy-to-use status page using floorplan modelling. "Concierge staff love this as it helps lay out a map to aid with orientation. Many features have also been incorporated into the dashboard, such as integrating CCTV images into it or releasing certain doors directly from the floorplan," Perrin says.

And with ICT Entry Stations acting as digital doormen at entrances, it's also simple for visitors to The MET to contact their hosts using the Protege Mobile App, or for the concierge to facilitate deliveries to the complex.

Hassle-free wireless parking.

A frequent problem with parking access is when multiple garage doors exist in a confined area. This can make it difficult for the system to discern which door a user is attempting to open. Citywide solved this for The MET's four parking doors by teaming 4-button remote fobs with four ICT wireless receivers to simplify the equipment needed to distinguish the doors. This system guarantees that parking access is restricted to only those residents that have been verified, and that only the correct door is opened.

Future proof, multi-tech, and mobile.

The developer recognized the importance of making decisions with the future in mind. As development takes place all around the MET, traffic and security concerns will inevitably increase. This gave Citywide an opportunity to present an ICT solution that was a win for all parties.

With Protege GX, the developers have a platform that can evolve with the needs of the building. It delivers instant security and a rich set of features, without limiting the future potential of the platform.

The MET is also seeing the advantages of mobile credentials. With smartphones playing such a major part of our lives, the convenience and connectivity of using the Protege Mobile App and Bluetooth enabled keys brings benefits to all involved.

"The convenience and simplicity of having your security credential on your phone is a feature that more and more end users are requesting," says Perrin. It's not just residents that love mobile credentials. "Using multi-technology tSec readers with both mobile keys and fobs ensures that key duplication, and granting or revoking access during turnover is optimized." Property Managers can instantly issue new mobile keys to new tenants on, or ahead of arrival, then remove credentials on departure without having to physically exchange keys.

The outcome.

> We have the long-held philosophy that our suppliers must provide high-quality goods and services at competitive prices that add value to our business and meet the expectations of our customers. Every aspect of these market requirements and expectations is met by ICT.
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By solving many of the problems commonly associated with high-rise apartment and town home living, Citywide has provided an access control solution that provides security, ease-of-use and looks to the future with modern technology such as mobile credentials and a scalable system.

As the Vaughan area surrounding The MET continues to grow alongside the metropolis of Toronto, residents, property managers, and developers can all be assured that with Protege GX, they have a robust platform that can adapt and scale with them.

About ICT.

Founded in 2003 by Hayden and Rachael Burr, ICT began with a focused vision to provide innovative and easy-to-use electronic access control and security solutions. Almost 20 years later, tens of thousands of companies worldwide use ICT products and systems every day, and our vision remains steadfast and engrained in all we do.

With headquarters in Auckland, New Zealand, we have a global presence and an international reach. Offices in Denver (USA), Toronto (Canada), Melbourne (Australia), Copenhagen (Denmark) and Hong Kong, provide full local sales, support and service to our clients and partners around the world.

Innovation is in our DNA.

With more than 40% of our staff dedicated to research and development, innovation is a core part of the ICT DNA. When you invest in an ICT solution, you can rest assured that your investment is protected by the best in the industry.

One solution, maximum value.

Our use of open technology allows our products to integrate seamlessly with your existing systems, providing a comprehensive solution that adds value to the infrastructure investments you already have on site.

From design to dispatch.

100% of the ICT product designed and manufactured in New Zealand at our state-of-the-art purpose built premises is subject to rigorous testing standards to ensure superior quality.

This is all backed up by sales, support, and training, and we offer a 5-year warranty across the DIN-Rail range for our ICT Dealer Network Members, providing the perfect solution for your next project, regardless of scope.

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