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Toronto construction manager finds success in both residential and commercial development



90 NIAGARA

Fieldgate Construction
Management

DIRECTOR OF CONSTRUCTION
Robert Alonso

LOCATION
Toronto, Ontario

90 Niagara Street - Exterior



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The new Grand Touring Automobiles dealership in Toronto will offer a wide range of high-end motor vehicles, prominently displayed in a six-story, 141,000 square-foot facility.

Fieldgate Construction Management is serving as general contractor and is currently working on the project, which broke ground in late 2015. It will be five times bigger than the dealer's existing, 24,000 square-foot facility.

"It will be many exciting luxury brands that are going to be in the same building," says Robert Alonso, Director of Construction for Fieldgate. "There is Jaguar, Land Rover, Bentley, Rolls Royce, Aston Martin, Lamborghini, Bugatti and Aston Martin."

In moving the project forward, both Fieldgate and designer Plaston Architects had to ensure it was meeting the needs of all the high-end automakers involved.

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AN ESTABLISHED PRESENCE

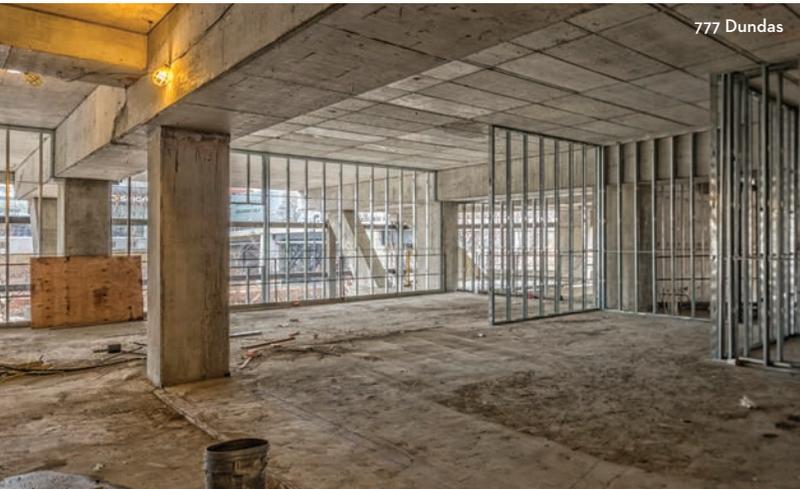
Tracing its roots back to 1957, Fieldgate has a deep-running history in the Toronto area market. Starting out as a residential general contractor, it eventually branched out into commercial construction, as well, after its leader-



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"We are able to offer many different services to a variety of clients, including management and traditional hard-bid contracts in all types of construction, including residential commercial and institutional," Alonso says. "We've done [senior living developments], and we are now branching into condominiums, as well."

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On the residential side, 90 Niagara Street in downtown Toronto will offer 41 condominium units. Serving as the general contractor for its sister company, Fieldgate Homes, the firm is building boutique loft condos with two levels of underground parking below. The entire development will include nearly 43,000 square feet of space.

The urban site presented some challenges to the Fieldgate team.

"It's a very small footprint, and we had to maximize the entire site to accommodate the required residential units and amenities," Alonso says. "In terms of designing the building, we were very con-

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strained in terms of what we were allowed to build with respect to both height and density.”

Taking a collaborative approach with the multiple parties involved, the firm was able to incorporate a large number of units into a relatively small amount of space.

“We have gone back and forth with the designers and the planners and tried to maximize the building footprint,” Alonso says. “We tried to build as

many units as we could given the limitations.”

Fieldgate is set to wrap up construction on 90 Niagara Street by next spring.

A REPUTABLE CONSTRUCTION FIRM

In addition to the quality construction materials and techniques Fieldgate uses, the firm has been able to achieve success in the Toronto market due to the strong partnerships it has forged with both the private and public sectors over the past

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six decades. This has proven to be an important aspect of the firm's work to this day.

"With our clients, it is very important to have great partnerships because it's a team-based environment," Alonso says. "With all of our clients, we work together to make sure the buildings are done to their standards and that they meet their budgets and schedule. With respect to our subcontractors, we work with great people who deliver a quality product on time on every project."

The skills and experience Fieldgate brings to the table are additional assets for the firm's clients.

"I think you need a different skillset to build different types of buildings with respect to budgeting and scheduling," Alonso says. We have a lot of experience in the industry, and our knowledge base across all construction fields is second to none. We are very successful working with clients in meeting schedules and their budgets and individual demands."

The team at Fieldgate continues to see numerous opportunities in Toronto across residential and commercial development. Alonso says the firm will look to keep building on its success in both areas.

"We want to just keep expanding in all directions of the industry," he says. "We look forward to a busy and promising future." 

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