









WATERWORKS (505 RICHMOND ST. W)

ABOUT THIS PROJECT

- + Revitalization of the historic Waterworks building, originally constructed in 1932, including the integration of a new European food hall, nearly 300 luxury residential units, and a YMCA fit-up.
- + Heritage façade on Richmond was maintained for the YMCA and condominium portion, while the food hall involved the renovation of a heritage building.
- + Smith + Andersen provided construction administration services for the entirety of Waterworks as well as communication, security, and audio-visual design services for a YMCA fit-up on the second-floor.
- + The food hall was provisioned for more than 25 tenants with centralized and connected mechanical and electrical systems, including an extensive central kitchen exhaust system.
- + Residential units occupy the top 10 floors of the building with outdoor terraces and expansive views.
- + Electrical service was provided by a customer-owned high voltage substation.
- + Separate electrical distribution and sub-metering strategy were employed for the condominium, YMCA, and commercial entities.
- + High-end finishes throughout the residential condominium include reflected ceiling plans with downlighting in the suites.
- + Project scope included a fit-out for a YMCA community centre containing a 25-metre pool area and full-size gymnasium.
- + Design includes a combined heating and power (CHP) generator which is dedicated for YMCA use.
- + Team expertly navigated working within the constraints of the existing building to design and add infrastructure (electrical, audio-visual, communications, kitchen exhaust, etc.) for restaurants and food kiosks to achieve the design vision.
- + Design solutions accommodated the client's priority to retain and refurbish as much of the heritage fabric as possible including the original building structure, skylights, and ceiling elements.

HOT BUTTONS

REVITALIZATION FAST-TRACK RESIDENTIAL SUSTAINABLE

MID-RISE

MULTI-UNIT

MIXED-USE

FIT-OUT

LOCATION

Toronto, ON

SMITH + ANDERSEN SERVICES PROVIDED

Mechanical, Electrical, Communications, Security, Audio-Visual, Intelligent Integrated Systems, Sustainability (Footprint)

KEY TEAM MEMBERS

MOD Developments
Woodcliffe Landmark Properties
Diamond Schmitt Architects
Bluescape Construction
Management
Jablonsky, Ast and Partners
Janet Rosenberg & Studio

SIZE

340,000 sq. ft. (31,600 sq. m.)

BUDGET

Confidential

COMPLETION YEAR

2022

SUSTAINABILITY

LEED® Platinum (Target)

AWARDS

Urban Land Institute's (ULI) Americas Awards for Excellence, Award Winner (2025)

Canadian Home Builders'
Association Awards,
Award Winner in the Best Mid-to
High-rise Building Completed
category (2024)

Annual Heritage Toronto Awards, *Adaptive Reuse Award* (2022)