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To the press

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(Tentative name) Hachioji Interchange North store opening plan

AEON MALL Co., Ltd. (hereinafter, AEON MALL) will be opening a next-generation commercial complex with a customer fulfillment center (CFC) operated by AEON NEXT Preparation Co., Ltd. (hereinafter, AEON NEXT) in Hachioji, Tokyo.

■ About the site

The planned site is located about 3km from Hachioji Station and about 500m from the Hachioji Interchange on the Chuo Expressway, close to the Hachioji Bypass (National Highway No. 16), which is the main north-south trunk line in southwestern Tama area. It is also located on the Hiyodoriyama Road between the Shintakiyama Highway and the downtown area extending from Hachioji Station. This is the area where we expect to attract customers from a wider area of southwestern part of Tama.

In addition, the site is located close to many tourist spots including the neighboring Hachioji Takiyama, the only roadside station in Tokyo that sells fresh local produce and meat products, as well as Mt. Takao and Akigawa Valley. In addition, there are 21 of universities, junior colleges, and technical colleges concentrated in the Hachioji city, making it a university town with about 100,000 students.

■ Development direction

Aeon Group plans to introduce the first "next-generation complex commercial facility" to contribute to solving structural issues of Japanese society such as shopping refugees, labor shortages, DX promotion, child-rearing support, and disaster countermeasures. Centering on this facility, we will form a "base in the northern Hachioji that disseminates a new urban lifestyle".

■ Facility concept

It is expected that the advanced digital literacy of consumers will change their behavior to purchase daily necessities via online, which in turn bring them more "leisure and time" with increasing demand for things to enable them enjoy such time.

Based on the concept of "a base that enriches options and sends out new urban lifestyles," this facility not only has a home delivery function, but also develops a next-generation supermarket with a large automated warehouse annexed with a brick and mortar store, a cinema complex, sporting facilities for people with disabilities and restaurants in collaboration with the neighboring roadside station Hachioji Takiyama.

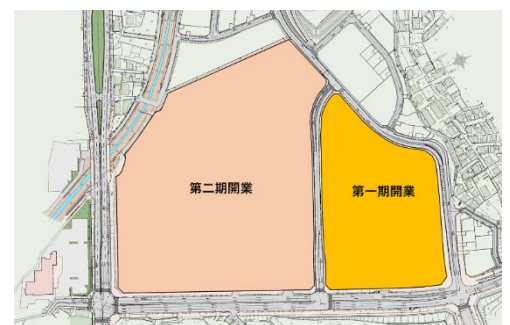
By developing a new lifestyle facility that merges "online" and "offline", we will provide a new "platform for daily living" that enriches people's daily life in the community. We continue to promote efforts toward the realization of a society in which "no one is left behind" from the new base at Hachioji.

■ Outline

- Location: 1-885-1 etc., Takiyamacho, Hachioji-shi, Tokyo
- Site area: Approximately 102,000 m²
- Scheduled construction start: Spring 2023
- Scheduled to open: Phase 1 in Spring 2025

Phase 2 in 2026 (next generation supermarket, etc.)

* Facility overview and other details will be announced as soon as confirmed.



■ Exterior image



■ Customer Fulfillment Center (CFC)

AEON NEXT plans to open a next-generation online supermarket. CFC in collaboration with UK Ocado, the core platform for its operation, is a state-of-the-art large-scale automated warehouse that makes full use of the latest AI and robotics technologies, enabling to offer a wide selection of fresh food and daily necessities. It will also provide a stress-free and highly convenient online shopping experience through an AI-driven optimized home delivery system.

Aeon Next aspires to serve as local infrastructure and provide fuller lifestyles for people in Hachioji through the optimized shopping experiences. The CFC will also function as food reservation and evacuation site at times of disasters and contribute in creating a safe and comfortable environment in the new era for the community.

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