

#### Agenda

Planning & Development Committee Committee of the Council of The Corporation of the City of Brampton

#### Monday, June 19, 2017 1:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

#### Council Chambers – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor – City Hall

Members:	Regional Councillor E. Moore – Wards 1 and 5 (Chair) Regional Councillor G. Gibson – Wards 1 and 5 (Vice-Chair) Regional Councillor M. Palleschi – Wards 2 and 6
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	Regional Councillor M. Medeiros – Wards 3 and 4
	Regional Councillor G. Miles – Wards 7 and 8
	Regional Councillor J. Sprovieri – Wards 9 and 10
	City Councillor D. Whillans – Wards 2 and 6
	City Councillor J. Bowman – Wards 3 and 4
	City Councillor P. Fortini – Wards 7 and 8
	City Councillor G. Dhillon – Wards 9 and 10

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#### 1. <u>Approval of Agenda</u>

#### 2. <u>Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act</u>

#### 3. <u>Consent</u>

The following items listed with an asterisk (\*) are considered to be routine and noncontroversial by the committee and will be approved at one time. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a committee member requests it, in which case the item will not be consented to and will be considered in the normal sequence of the agenda.

(7.4, 7.5, 7.6, 7.7, 7.8, 7.9, 7.10, 7.11, 7.12, 10.1)

#### 4. <u>Statutory Public Meeting Reports</u>

#### 5. <u>Delegations</u>

#### 5.1. Possible delegations re: : Proposed Housekeeping Updates to Sign By-law 399-2002, as amended – All Wards

Note: notice regarding this matter was published on the City's website on June 9, 2017

See Item 7.2

#### 6. <u>Staff Presentations</u>

6.1. Presentation by John Spencer, Manager, Parks and Facility Planning, Planning and Development Services, re: **Parks and Rec Master Plan** 

See Item 7.1

#### 7. <u>Planning</u>

7.1. (Report From J. Spencer, Manager, Parks Planning, Planning and Development Services, dated May 24, 2017, re: **Parks and Recreation Master Plan - Final** (**Report** (File R15.PMP/HC.x)

See Item 6.1

**Recommendation** 

7.2. Report from M. Taraborrelli, Sign Coordinator, Planning and Building, dated May 11, 2017, re: **Proposed Housekeeping Updates to Sign By-law 399-2002, as amended – All Wards** 

Note: notice regarding this matter was published on the City's website on June 9, 2017

See Item 5.1

Recommendation

7.3. Report from R. Conard, Director, Building Division, and Chief Building Official, Planning and Development Services, dated May 24, 2017, re: Approval of Shared Servicing Agreement Between the City of Brampton and Daniels LR Corporation to Facilitate Shared Servicing Between two Condominium Corporations - 250 Sunny Meadow Boulevard - Ward 9

Recommendation

\* 7.4. Report From N. Rea, Policy Planner, Planning and Development Services, dated May 24, 2017, re: Updates to the Provincial Growth Plan and Greenbelt Plan 2017 and Bill 139 Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act (2017) (File BAX PRO17)

Recommendation

\* 7.5. Report from A. Magnone, Regulatory Coordinator, Planning and Development Services, dated May 15, 2017, re: **Application for a Permit to Demolish a Residential Property – 40 Harold Street – Ward 3** (File G33-LA)

Recommendation

\* 7.6. Report from A. Magnone, Regulatory Coordinator, Planning and Development Services, dated April 28, 2017, re: **Applications for Permits to Demolish Residential Properties – 9074 and 9084 Creditview Road – Ward 5** (File G33-LA)

Recommendation

\* 7.7. Report from A. Magnone, Regulatory Coordinator, Planning and Development Services, dated May 12, 2017, re: **Application for a Permit to Demolish a Residential Property – 31 Morris Court – Ward 10** (File G33-LA)

Recommendation

\* 7.8. Report from A. Magnone, Regulatory Coordinator, Planning and Development Services, dated May 18, 2017, re: **Application for a Permit to Demolish a Residential Property – 6 River Road – Ward 6** (File G33-LA)

Recommendation

\* 7.9. Report from A. Magnone, Regulatory Coordinator, Building Division, Planning and Development Services, dated May 25, 2017, re: **Application for a Permit to Demolish a Residential Property – 11903 Airport Road – Ward 10** (File G33-LA)

Recommendation

\* 7.10. Report from K. Freeman, Development Planner, Planning and Development Services, dated May 24, 2017, re: Application to Amend the Zoning By-law and Proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision - IDM (2005) Consultants Inc. – Grewal, Navdeep - To Permit Five (5) Single-detached Residential Lots - 11205 Goreway Drive - North of Countryside Drive, East Side of Goreway Drive -Ward 10 (Files C08E16.006 and 21T-15005B)

Recommendation

\* 7.11. Report from D. VanderBerg, Central Area Planner, Planning and Development Services, dated May 17, 2017 re: Façade and Building Improvement Grant Applications for 16-22 Main Street South - Ward 3

Recommendation

\* 7.12. Report from C. Caruso, Central Area Planner, Planning and Development Services, dated May 24, 2017, re: Building Improvement Grant Application for 9 George Street North – Ward 1 (File BU17-002) (RM 30/2017)

Recommendation

Note: referred to this meeting pursuant to Recommendation PDC099-2017

7.13. Report from C. LaRota, Policy Planner, Planning and Development Services, dated May 1, 2017, re: City of Brampton Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR) -Employment Land Conversion Requests - 10124-10144 Hurontario St. and 69 Bramalea Rd.

See Item 10.2

#### 8. <u>Minutes</u>

#### 9. <u>Other/New Business</u>

#### 10. <u>Referred Matters</u>

#### \* 10.1. Referred Matters List – Planning and Development Committee

To be received

#### 10.2. Discussion re: MCR - City Initiated Official Plan Amendments to Convert Employment Lands to Non-Employment Uses (RM 28/2017)

Note: referred to this meeting pursuant to the following recommendation:

PDC084-2017 That the following motion be referred to staff for a report back at the Planning and Development Committee Meeting of June 19, 2017:

That the employment land converted as recommended in the report MCR - City Initiated Official Plan Amendments to convert Employment Lands to Non-Employment Uses, dated March 5, 2017 not be added to the existing heritage heights net 300 hectares of employment lands allocation; and further,

That any City initiated or other Official Plan Amendments to convert lands designated for employment use to non-employment use in Brampton be accompanied by recommendations detailing potential lands where the resultant deficit in employment land uses can be made up.

See Item 7.13

#### 11. <u>Deferred Matters</u>

- 12. <u>Notice of Motion</u>
- 13. <u>Correspondence</u>
- 14. <u>Councillor Question Period</u>

#### 15. <u>Public Question Period</u>

15 Minute Limit (regarding any decision made at this meeting)

16. <u>Closed Session</u>

#### 17. <u>Adjournment</u>

Next Meeting: Monday, September 11, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.



## LET'S CONMECT PARKS AND

# RECREATION MASTER PLAN

## Parks and Recreation Master Plan

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Presentation to

City of Brampton

**Planning and Development Committee** 

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June 19, 2017

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# The Parks & Recreation Master Plan (PRMP)

- 2015 Brampton identified that the absence of an 'endorsed', strategic master plan to guide the delivery of parks and recreational infrastructure and programming was hampering decision making
- October 2015 Council-Approved an RFP to retain a consultant to assist in the development of a plan
- RFP sought to develop a long-range plan (to 2031) guiding Brampton's:
  - Parks and open space, outdoor sports and recreation facilities
  - Indoor sports and recreational infrastructure
  - Programming and services
- Emphasis on a robust community consultation program (over an 18 month period)
- Considered community demographics, trends and best practices, alignment with other City objectives, and operational/financial sustainability



## LET'S CONVECT PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN **Utilization** Consultation Data Facility PRMP **Demographics** Recommendations Inventory Geographic Trends Distribution



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# **PRMP Methodology**

To deliver on the RFP and objectives specified by City Council and Staff, the PRMP was based on:

- Employing an 'Evidence-Based' Approach
- Consideration of many inputs to support assessments and recommendations
- A commitment by the Project Team to:
  - Listen
  - Learn
  - Analyze
  - Listen Again











### 6.1 - 4 Community Consultation Methodology

- Citizen Panel Meetings held in March, July and October 2016
- Launch Event (April 2016) Community Leaders, General Public, Mayor and Councillors with staff
- Public Meeting (May 2016) 40 in attendance
- Online Survey 1,122 responses
- Stakeholder Survey 35 responses
- Stakeholder Workshops (May 2016) 75+ participants representing 25+ organizations
- City Staff Roundtables (May 2016) 150 staff participants
- Council & Senior Management Interviews (May 2016) 31 interviews
- Written Submissions via Dedicated Project Email and Portal Page Multiple received throughout project duration via PRMP@Brampton.ca
- Pop Up Booths 5 held across the City











### 6.1 - 5 Consultation Follow-Up Spring 2017

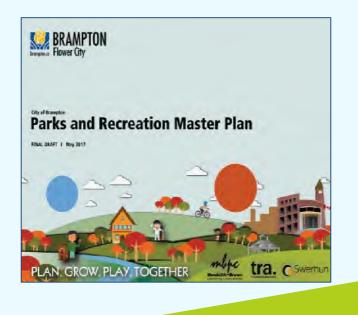
Internal Briefings – with Mayor and Council to discuss draft directions

**Follow-Up Stakeholder Workshop** (April 2017) – 50 participants representing 20+ organizations

Public 'Open House' Sessions (May 2017) – 2 to test draft PRMP

**Draft PRMP Document Posted on Portal** (May 2017) – opportunities for written feedback via comment sheets and web portal







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## **PRMP** Timeline

#### March 2016 – June 2016

Jan.	2016

Project Kick-off COMMUNITY INPUT City Council Consultation Citizen Panel Consultation Stakeholder Consultation Public Consultation City Staff Consultation Phase 2 Discussion Paper

#### Sep. 2016 - Jan. 2017

INTERIM REPORTING City Council Workshop Citizen Panel Consultation Phase 3 Interim Report & Revisions

#### April 2017 - May 2017

DRAFT PRMP & FEEDBACK Preliminary Recommendations City Council Interviews & Status Update Stakeholders Meeting Public Open Houses

BACKGROUND RESEARCH Community Demographics Trends & Benchmarking Facility & Program Inventory Document Reviews Phase 1 Discussion Paper

February 2016 – March 2016

### BRAMPTON Flower City

PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENTS Parkland & Open Space Needs Recreation Facility Needs Program & Service Needs

July 2016 - August 2016

IMPLEMENTATION ANALYSIS Prioritization & Timing Funding Strategies Capital Cost Analysis

February 2017 – April 2017

FINAL MASTER PLAN Finalize PRMP Presentation to Planning & Development Committee

June 2017

Monteith+Brown









# **Key Considerations of the PRMP**

- Population growth from 615,000 to 837,000 by the year 2031 (200,000+ persons)
- Diverse socio-economic and cultural profile

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- Robust number of parks and recreation facilities with a variety of sizes, scales, and geographic catchments between them
- Themes from Community Consultations:
  - Ongoing Commitment to Inclusivity
  - Multi-Use, Multi-Generational, Multi-Seasonal, Multicultural Facilities
  - Balancing Neighbourhood with City-wide Needs
  - Unstructured, Self-Scheduled Opportunities
  - Comfortable, Safe and Welcoming Atmosphere
  - Pursuit of Partnerships
  - High Quality Sports and Recreation facilities
  - Funding and Costs are Key Issues











# **PRMP Key Recommendations**

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- 114 Recommendations in total spanning parks, facilities (indoor and outdoor), recreation programming, service delivery, and implementation
- Recommendations organized into Parks and Recreational Planning Areas (RPAs), where applicable
- Timing of Implementation categorized by:
  - Short-Term (2017-2022)
  - Medium-Term (2023-2027)
  - Long-Term (2027-2031)
- The slides that follow focus on selected recommendations







# Recommendations

## New Indoor Recreation Facilities



### Community Centre at Mississauga/Embleton Community Park (Medium Term)

Construct a facility with an indoor aquatic centre, fitness centre, gymnasium, youth space, and program rooms

- The site ideally would integrate a skateboard park, club-quality tennis courts and/or full basketball court (space permitting)
- Design the building with long-term expansion potential to add a twin pad arena

### East End Senior's Centre (Short-Medium Term)

Develop a seniors' centre blending City recreation services (gymnasium, fitness space, program rooms) with a community-hub model involving prospective partners (e.g. newcomer services, health services, etc.)

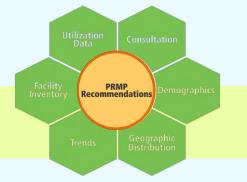






### 6.1 - 10 **Recommendations**

Optimizing Older/Smaller Facilities (Short-Medium Term)



### Support Facility Renewal and Repurposing

- Supports Council's recent approval to undertake a formal review of the Bramalea 'family' of recreation centers, inclusive of Howden Recreation Centre and Victoria Park Arena, to rationalizing expenditures on facility renewal/replacement
- As a pilot project, retrofit 2 smaller indoor pools to offer a therapeutic and/or rehabilitative experience
- Relocate an aging single pad arena(s) to minimize renewal and ongoing operating costs in favour of multi-pad efficiencies and more balanced geographic distribution
- Repurpose an aging, underutilized neighbourhood pool(s) for dry floor uses - e.g. sports, fitness, arts and culture - to diversify the range of neighbourhood-based services



# Recommendations

Other Indoor Recreation Facilities

(Short-Medium Term)

### **Program Rooms**

Undertake a strategy to prioritize improvements to enhance the programming capacity of multi-purpose rooms located in older community centres

#### Arenas

Target 19 indoor ice pads (Victoria Park Arena to remain closed for ice)

### Gymnasiums

Increase opportunities through additional gyms (new and renovated spaces) while continuing to work with School Boards to ensure community access to existing and new school gymnasiums

### Indoor Turf

Consider bubbling a sports field(s) - subject to modifications to existing indoor turf space and/or findings of an indoor turf study

















# Recommendations

## **Outdoor Sports Fields**

### (Short-Medium Term)

Planning, Community Services and Public Works staff to work collaboratively through site selection and prioritization, planned park renewal and budget availability to report back to Council on the following recommendations (possibly through the annual budget process):

- 1 new artificial turf field for use by a broad range of field sports (potentially bubbled as per previous slide)
- 9 new rectangular sports fields designed based on the Ontario Soccer Association's Long Term Player Development model
- Ball diamonds constructed to address geographic gaps and/or through shared-use agreements with School Boards
- New cricket pitches at McCandless Park, Gore Meadows Community Park and in southwest Brampton while improving selected existing pitches with lighting, batting cages, etc.











### 6.1 - 13 **Recommendations**

## **Outdoor Recreation Facilities**

(Short-Long Term)

Public tennis courts to serve new residential areas along with clubquality courts at both Gore Meadows Community Park and/or Mississauga/Embleton Community Park

**Basketball courts** within 10-15 minute walk of new residential and existing under-supplied gap areas, while striving to provide a high quality, sport-focused full court in each RPA

**Skateboard parks** in southwest and northwest Brampton, strategic renewal/replacement of existing aging skateparks, and bolster geographic distribution using small 'skate zones'

### Splash Pads & Outdoor Pools

- Architectural study to increase Eldorado Pool's 'fun factor'
- 4 new splash pads preferably at Community/City level parks or in tandem with a community centre
- Convert the Gage Park and Balmoral wading pools to major splash pads.











# Recommendations

## Parks and Open Space

(Short-Long Term)

### Parkland Classification

Integrate Urban Park and Linear Connector classifications into the City's Official Plan parkland hierarchy

### Parkland Target

Proactively provide parks at a ratio of 1.6\* hectares per 1,000 population, which will require around 240 hectares of new parkland by 2031 – supported by the undertaking of a Parkland Acquisition Strategy

\* Represents an increase in the supply of Neighbourhood Parkland from 0.5 ha/1000 to 0.7 ha/1000 population – Community and City supply targets stay the same @ 0.9 ha/1000 population

### Parkland Acquisition

Utilize the Planning Act, pursuit of any surplus school properties, joint planning with new schools, and other available means to acquire needed parkland







### 6.1 - 15 **Recommendations** Parks and Open Space (Short-Long Term)

### Parkland Renewal

As parks age and community demographics around them evolve, plan renewals to reposition parks and their facilities

### **Extending SNAP Projects**

Expand Sustainable Neighbourhood Retrofit Action Plan (SNAP) projects in partner with the TRCA and CVC to promote stewardship and leverage external sources of funding for park renewals

### Natural Heritage & Stewardship

The PRMP supports the City's Environmental Master Plan, Natural Heritage & Environmental Management Strategy (NHEMS), and Active Transportation Master Plan











### 6.1 - 16 **Recommendations**

Recreation Services and Programs (Short-Long Term)



**Physical Activity** - Aim to improve resident's physical activity levels - frequency, duration and intensity

**Getting Outdoors** – Recognize the critical importance to the health of individuals and the community as a whole to be outdoors in natural settings

Water Safety - Every resident should have the opportunity to learn how to swim; every family should know the importance of being safe in and around water

**Aging Population** – Ensure that Brampton's older adults and senior citizens are active and engaged in leisure pursuits

**Diverse and Marginalized Populations** – Place efforts on including all residents to enhance the overall health and vibrancy of the community

**Sport Development** – Every resident has the choice to participate in sport opportunities









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# Keeping the PRMP Relevant

- Continued business planning and performance measurement of parks, facility and program utilization rates
- Monitor emerging sports and cultural trends to position the City to respond to future parks, facility and program needs
- Regular dialogue with existing and potential partners, stakeholders and the public
- Annual review and reporting on implementation plans
- Communicating achievements (informational brochure, report card, referencing the PRMP in Division Staff Reports, etc.)
  - Updating the PRMP after 5 years in light of changes that occur in population, trends, inventory, funding, provincial legislation, etc.









# Implementing the PRMP

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The PRMP is designed to be a flexible, living document whereby decisions will be made on a regular and on-going basis to ensure that the recommendations remain current and relevant and help shape the provision of parks and recreation in the City of Brampton

City Staff are recommending that Council:

- "Endorse" the Parks and Recreation Master Plan
- That staff be directed to implement the recommendations, including submission of items for Council approval through the annual capital and operating budget process and reporting back annually on the progress of the Master Plan's implementation





## LET'S CONMECT PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

### **Project Portal**

Project Website: www.brampton.ca/PRMP Project Email: PRMP@brampton.ca

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Report Planning & Development Committee The Corporation of the City of Brampton 2017-06-19

**Date:** 2017-05-24

Subject: Recommendation Report: Parks and Recreation Master Plan - Final Report

**Contact:** John Spencer, Manager – Parks Planning, Policy Planning Division – 905-874-3954 john.spencer@brampton.ca

#### Recommendations:

- THAT the report dated May 24, 2017 from John Spencer, Manager, Parks Planning, to the Planning and Development Committee meeting of June 19, 2017, re: Information Report – Parks and Recreation Master Plan - Final Report (File # R15.PMP/HC.x), be received; and,
- 2. THAT Council endorse the Parks and Recreation Master Plan dated May 2017, and,
- **3. THAT** staff be directed to commence implementation of the recommendations found within the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, including the submission of items for Council approval through the annual capital and operating budget process and report back annually on the progress of the Master Plan's implementation.
- Planning and Development Services, in conjunction with Community Services and Public Works and a consulting team lead by Monteith Brown, have been engaged in the preparation of a Parks and Recreation Master Plan (the "Master Plan") since January 2016.
- During that period, the project team has consulted with thousands of Brampton residents, through a variety of platforms in an effort to better understand the community and assist in the formulation of the Master Plan's recommendations.
- Communication and transparency throughout the Master Plan's development has been a primary objective. The project team has documented its progress through a series of Discussion Papers and associated updates which have been posted on the City's web site.
- The scope of the Master Plan is broad and has included a comprehensive assessment of Brampton's parks, indoor and outdoor recreational facilities, and programs, in

- addition to the evaluation of industry trends and a high level assessment of the financial impacts associated with the recommendations.
- The drafting of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan represents the culmination of 18 months of work. It provides Brampton with a (15 year) strategic planning vision that will serve as a framework to guide the delivery of parks, open space areas, recreation and sports' facilities (both outdoor and indoor).
- In an effort to fulfill the targeted objective of tabling the Parks and Recreation Master Plan for Council's endorsement in June, the final draft Master Plan was officially released for public review and comment in mid-May.
- Written responses received by the report deadline (May 31<sup>st</sup>) have been appended to this report. The public have been invited to attend the June 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of Planning and Development Services Committee to provide supplementary feedback. In addition, public open houses were held on May 29 and 31, 2017 to provide information and obtain feedback on the Master Plan.
- Staff believes that the Master Plan is responsive to the needs of the general public, and the stakeholders who use the City's parks and recreation facilities, or utilize the many programs offered by the Community Services Department.
- The Master Plan represents a starting point with which City staff can work with the community and its partners in improving service delivery.
- Following Council's endorsement of the Master Plan, City staff will begin to implement the Master Plan's recommendations, inclusive of contributing recommendations for Council's consideration in the annual budget process.

#### Background:

The development of a Parks and Recreation Master Plan (the Master Plan) for the City of Brampton officially commenced in January 2016 with the selection of a consulting team lead by Monteith Brown. Since that time, Council has received several reports and presentations highlighting the team's progress, including an introductory report in February 2016, a Council Workshop in September 2016, and a Progress Report tabled to Committee of Council in April 2017.

A primary objective in the delivery of the Master Plan was robust and transparent consultation with both external and internal stakeholders. Formal reporting on the progress of the Master Plan's delivery has been supplemented with detailed updates on the dedicated portal site for the project. The City's web site has been used to document and communicate minutes of public and stakeholder meetings, Citizen Panel meetings, staff and consultant presentations, and semi-monthly updates to Council. The project has also benefited from a dedicated email address that has allowed the public and stakeholders to target feedback to the project team.

As has been reported in prior reports and updates, the delivery of a final PRMP document started with the preparation of a series of Discussion Papers. The Discussion Papers were intended to document the findings of the project team at each critical stage in the plans development. This included background research, public outreach, and

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preliminary recommendations. Combined, these documents served to establish the direction the final PRMP would follow.

Activity Since the April 2017 Progress Report:

The project team coordinated four 'public' initiatives since the tabling of the progress report to Committee of Council in April 2017. These included the following:

#### • <u>"Stakeholders" Meeting - April 24<sup>th</sup> 2017- Century Gardens Recreation Centre:</u>

The project team hosted a formal open house and delivered a presentation targeted to 'stakeholders' i.e. sports and recreation groups across Brampton. Approximately 140 organizations (large and small) were invited, with approximately 22 groups ultimately attending. The overview of preliminary recommendations resulted in lively dialogue with attendees and assisted in formulating the final draft PRMP document.

#### • Receipt and Circulation of 'Draft' Parks and Recreation Master Plan:

In May, the consulting team provided the Master Plan Steering Committee with a draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan for its review. Staff provided comment, and a further draft was prepared and resubmitted. Once deemed satisfactory, the draft Master Plan was formally posted on the project portal site on May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The availability of the draft Master Plan was promoted through the City's social media and the public was invited to provide comment over a 2-week period. A copy of the final Master Plan is appended to this report (Appendix A).

Staff have been receiving and responding to comments and questions received over the review period. Formal written comments received prior to the deadline for comment (May 31<sup>st</sup>) have been appended to this report, for Council's information (Appendix B).

• <u>Public Open Houses - May 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> - Gore Meadows Community Centre and</u> <u>Cassie Campbell Community Centre</u>:

The project team hosted two informal open houses in late May 2017 in the lobbies of Gore Meadows and Cassie Campbell Community Centres. The open houses featured a series of display boards and staff was on hand to field comment and questions. The sessions were principally informational and allowed staff to promote the Master Plan and the availability of the draft Master Plan on the city portal.

#### Current Situation:

In accordance with the April 2017 Progress Report, staff targeted June 2017 as the target date to submit the final PRMP to Council. 'Endorsement' of the plan before the summer enables staff to continue with undertaking detailed implementation strategies and proceed with the recommendations as per the plan, in addition to preparing for the 2018Budget.

#### Master Plan Recommendations - Highlights:

There are close to 120 recommendations, each targeted to a specific department for action. An overview presentation has been prepared and will be presented to the Planning and Development Committee on June 19<sup>th</sup>.

To assist Council in understanding the priority of the respective recommendations, a further summary has been provided (Appendix C) that highlights select recommendations, and identifies suggested implementation time frames (Short (2017-2021, Medium (2022-2025) and Long-term (2026-2031).

#### Corporate Implications:

#### Financial Implications:

The Parks and Recreation Master Plan details a series of infrastructure and program recommendations which will require funding consideration. The PRMP establish prospective funding sources for Council's consideration. To that end, staff is of the opinion that the recommendations found within are reasonable and within the realm of being able to be funded with current reserves and projected revenue streams. Ultimately, decisions to fund a recommended item or to contemplate an unforeseen item, will be assessed through the Budget process, taking into account operational impacts, and any new or unforeseen priorities.

#### Strategic Plan:

The completion and delivery of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan builds on virtually all of the Strategic Plan's key Priorities, including:

- <u>Good Government</u> Credible leadership delivering trusted services to make a positive difference for citizens
- <u>Smart Growth</u> Managing growth to achieve societal and economic success
- <u>Strong Communities</u> *Distinct, lively spaces and activities unit people and businesses and instill civic pride.*

#### Conclusion:

The Parks and Recreation Master Plan outlines current/future needs, and prioritizes facility and program investment over the next 15 years. The Master Plan is intended to provide residents with equitable access to facilities that enhance and promote healthy and active living. It assists in guiding the location and creation of new facilities, outlines strategies for existing facilities, and provides recommendations to ensure optimal use of existing/future parks and recreational facilities.

Staff are of the opinion that the public process the project team has incorporated throughout the Master Plan process can enable Council to approve the Master Plan with confidence. While it is impossible to achieve consensus on a strategic planning effort like this, staff believes that the public's voice has been heard, and furthermore, the inputs of Council, formal stakeholders, general public and staff have all been taken into account and assisted in the refinement of the Master Plan's final recommendations.

The recommendations found within the Master Plan are evidence-based, and take into consideration all relevant factors including past and current facility programming and utilization, the condition of infrastructure, the City's demography and its projected growth, and trends in the parks and recreation industry. Lastly, but certainly not least, the plan is reflective of what staff consider within the municipality's financial capacity to deliver.

The completion of the Master Plan does not represent the end to infrastructure and service planning for parks and recreation for Brampton, but rather, marks a beginning – a period in which the city can commence detailed implementation efforts, commit to undertaking additional detailed study, and move forward with a common purpose that can position the city to be "Future Ready".

Approved by:

Approved by:

John Spencer, MCIP, RPP Manager, Parks Planning Policy Planning Division Planning and Development Services

Approved by:

Joe Pitushka Commissioner, Public Works and Engineering (Project Sponsor) Al Meneses, MBA Commissioner, Community Services (Project Sponsor)

Report authored by: John Spencer, Manager, Parks Planning Parks and Recreation Master Plan Project Lead

Appendices:

Appendix A: Final Draft - Parks and Recreation Master Plan Appendix B: Public Feedback on Draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan Appendix C: Parks and Recreation Master Plan Recommendations' - Highlights

Appendix B (cont.)



#### Stakeholder Workshop

## AGENDA

Tuesday April 25, 2017 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm Century Gardens Recreation Centre, Community Room 1

#### Purpose:

To provide an update on the PRMP process thus far along with an overview of Preliminary Directions 6:30pm Open House

7:00pm Welcome & Introductions

7:10pm Agenda Review

7:15pm PRMP Update & Preliminary Directions

Questions of Clarification

#### 7:45pm Discussion

- 1. What do you like about the Preliminary Directions?
- Is there anything missing from the Preliminary Directions that you believe should be considered in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan?
- Do you have any other advice for the learn at this stage?

#### 8:30pm Report Back & Next Steps

9:00pm Adjourn







Appendix B (cont.)

1. What do you like about the Preliminary Directions?

Is there anything missing from the Preliminary Directions that you believe should be considered in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan?

3. Do you have any other advice for the team at this stage?

If you have any additional feedback after the meeting, please share it with lan at 416 472 4365 or imlaczewski@swerhun.com. The deadline to share any additional feedback is May 2, 2017.

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## Appendix C. Written Feedback Letter from TRCA, May 2, 2017



#### for The Living City-

#### MEMORANDUM

TO:	John Spencer, Manager Parks and Facility Planning Section- City of Brampton Ian Malczewski, Swerhun	DATE: May 2, 2017
FROM:	Jose Torcal, Project Manager- County Court SNAP Justyna Braithwaite, Project Coordinator- County Court SNAP	
CC:	Michael Hoy, Environmental Planner- City of Brampton	
RE:	Comments on Preliminary directions of PRMP- stakeholders meeting April 25, 2017	

#### John,

Thank you again for the invitation to the Stakeholders meeting and for the opportunity to provide comments on the preliminary directions proposed in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. As per the workshop instructions, our feedback is structured according to the same three questions for consistency purposes.

#### What do you like about the Preliminary Directions?

- The explicit mention of "Aging Population" and "Diverse and Marginalized Populations" as it is aligned with the SNAP conception of parks as places where a sense of community can be fostered.
- 2. The acknowledgment of the health benefits of getting outdoors.

#### Is there anything missing from the Preliminary Directions that you believe should be considered in the PRMP?

- The proposed indoor and outdoor recreation facilities seem to be focused on sports and traditional recreation facilities (e.g. pools, skate parks, splash pads). We would like to see a preliminary direction that considers the inclusion of other unstructured spaces that allow for flexibility of use based on the local conditions and interests of the community around each park. Some examples of these spaces are community gardens, labyrinths, meditation gardens, gathering places, picnics, outdoor fitness equipment, etc.
- 2. We would like to see a more explicit explanation of how "Aging population" and "Diverse and

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Marginalized Populations" are considered in the proposed Indoor and Outdoor Recreation Facilities (e.g. through encouraging access to facilities through public transit and active transportation, providing accessibility for people with disabilities and seniors, etc.).

We recognize that an extensive community engagement is required to reach out to residents who are not part of any sport clubs or community groups but still are users of parks. That is the case of the residents in County Court SNAP. We would like to see a City commitment to promote and support community-led initiatives in existing parks to assure that the asset use is maximized. We would like to position County Court Park renewal as a pilot project for this community-led approach.

3. We would like to see a direction that encourages the development of partnerships with local organizations, schools and community groups to inform the design of new equipment or share the facilities they already have. Those partnerships could help find cost efficiencies and new funding opportunities and get the buy-in from the community.

#### Do you have any advice for the team at this stage?

- To include a recommendation to consider the inclusion of unstructured park components based on the local conditions and interests of the community around each park such as community vegetable gardens, labyrinths, meditation gardens, gathering places, picnics, meeting spaces that can be easily used by the community in an unstructured/un-programmed way, etc.
- 2. To include a recommendation to consider County Court Park as pilot of community-led park renewal
- To include a recommendation that future park redevelopment projects strive to align with the City's Sustainable Neighbourhood Retrofit Action Plan (SNAP) Program

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 416-661-6600 extension 5923 or by email at itorcal@trca.on.ca

Sincerely,

Jose Torcal, Project Manager, Sustainable Neighbourhoods, Watershed Strategies Division Toronto and Region Conservation Appendix B (cont.)

#### **E-Mails Received to PRMP email address**

Email from: Melody Tadeo, April 28, 2017

Hi there,

Thank you for opening the opportunity to submit comments regarding the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The City has so many great programs to include many members of the community, and I would like to suggest an environmental action-based one adapted for individuals facing mental/emotional difficulties.

While working under the guidance of a Horticultural therapist at Peel Long-Term Care Centre and as seeing Eldorado's Integration camp, it was refreshing to see how they created havens sensitive to the participants' needs.

Nature-based therapies offer benefits associated with spending time in nature, volunteering and giving (for environmental ones particularly), physical activity, and a strengthened sense of community. They can also help participants gather skills to proactively face various difficulties.

While this idea is more basic than psychotherapy, it has the potential to go deeper than other more general camps for the growing number of youths and adults facing depression and other mental illness. An adapted parks and rec program has the potential to be very valuable, approachable, and accessible to those in the community who may quietly need it most.

Many who have participated in something as simple as planting a tree can attest to the wonderful feeling from taking part in changing the world, but participation itself also changes the planter's world.

For this or any other related programs I would be happy to participate or help out, and if possible I would also like to meet with someone to further discuss the potential for an environmental support program. Thank you for taking the time to read this and for what is already being done.

Sincerely,

Melody Tadeo

(Directed to Recreation Division and Environmental Planning for Response and consideration)

Email from: Ann Coughlan - May 18, 2017

My name is Ann Coughlan and I am the parent of 3 young adults 18-23. As a parent of two teens living with autism I am writing to you about some suggestions.

My children participated in quite a few programs and camps over the last 10 years. Now that they are past the ages of the programs they still want to attend some of your "younger aged" programs. Is there any chance to put some of these teen programs in place for older teens?

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Most kids 16+ are getting part time jobs etc. but teens who are high functioning special needs want to continue with the video game program or drawing classes.

As much as the special needs department tried to include our children it has been hard explaining why there isn't anymore "fun stuff". Is there a way to incorporate the younger aged programs and continue the same stuff with older teen/young adults? Not ALL are able to socialize and move forward in the world as most typical young adults. There may be other young adults who don't have any special needs that could benefit from drawing classes, video gaming or a gym workout group.

I am also the Teen/Adult coordinator with Autism Ontario Peel and would like to share more ideas with you all at your convenience.

Thank you for your time,

Ann Coughlan

(Directed to Recreation Division for Response)

Email from: Dean McLeod, May 18, 2017

John: I attended the meeting at the Ching Curling Club to give the Brampton Sports Hall of Fame a voice there and let everyone know that this Hall is for the citizens of Brampton and that we need a new permanent home. I was asking that consideration be given, that when a new complex is scheduled, we be given the opportunity to place our expanding needs in front of the City. We were, and are still hoping, the City of Brampton's Hall will be given space in a new, well-travelled complex. I, as Chairman of the BSHOF Committee, a committee of City Council, has not even been recorded as an attendee of your meeting.

Regards

Dean McLeod, Chair, BSHOF

(Responded directly to Mr. McLeod)

Emails from: Gordon Newman, May 26 and 29

Reading through the document it would appear that the focus for a Seniors facility in the East end of Brampton will focus primarily on the interests of South Asian residents.

Is there some reason the Caucasian population's interests are not being taken into consideration or do they not account for a high enough voter percentage?

Gordon J. H. Newman, FICB, CPT

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(COB Response) Mr. Newman/Councillors,

Further to your emails I would offer the following:

The Draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan recommends that the City develop:

"... a seniors' centre in Brampton's east that would incorporate some similar elements as a traditional seniors' centre (e.g. yoga studios, gymnasiums, eating areas, etc.) but also include non-traditional spaces and programs oriented to newcomer services (e.g. volunteer and/or employment services, ESL, newcomer integration, etc.), and a greater focus on indoor/outdoor communal areas for gatherings. There is an opportunity to deliver a facility and associated programming using a community hub model potentially with other agencies specializing in community and newcomer services such as – but not limited to – Brampton Public Library, the YMCA and the Region of Peel to complement any recreational offerings of the City."

To that end, there is no explicit reference to any particular ethnicity that the centre should be geared to. All of Brampton's recreation centres are designed and programmed to meet the needs of the *general public*. There <u>is</u> an expectation that centres customize their programs to respond to and reflect the community in which they are located. It could therefore be expected that an east end centre would provide offerings that might cater to a South Asian clientele – as reflected in the suggestion that a centre might provided ESL classes.

I trust this clarifies things for you. If not, please do not hesitate to contact me further.

#### John Spencer, MCIP, RPP

Manager, Parks and Facility Planning Policy Planning Division Planning and Development Services Department City of Brampton |D: 905-874-3954 | C: 416-806-1432| john.spencer@brampton.ca

Mr. Spencer:

Your quote clearly outlines that the Seniors facility in the east end will vary significantly from Flower City's facility.

Clearly the focus is on ESL, newcomer services, employment services, non-traditional spaces and programs. If this does not overtly speak to a focus on the South Asian and East Asian then there is little else I can say.

Just as clearly staff have already decided what will be placed in the east end and has little interest in the input of residents who have lived and paid taxes for decades. Your department appears to have added enough verbiage to dissuade residents from reading the Master Plan and obfuscate the true intent of

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the document. The mere idea of placing so Far East (Gore Road) speaks volumes about ignoring residents of the former Bramalea area.

Regards Gordon J. H. Newman, FICB, CPT

Email from: Hamish Morgan- May 18, 2017

This is regarding conversations had May 31 at the PRMP open house. The following is a summary of discussions:

- Given the rapid growth of the City, green space with trees (much like many of the old Bramalea areas) would provide a welcome contrast.
- Stop building features at Chinguacousy Park, there is enough. Over the years the park has been eroded due to construction. A fire training centre was built (I still don't know how that is park related). Gravel was then laid over a portion of the green field along Central Park Dr. Now a fence is put up, in the summertime, so cars can park on the what remains of the grass field along Central Part Drive. This shows a complete lack of commitment to green space. (There seems to be some attitude in the City that simple green space is wasted space.) Take down the fence and STOP allowing parking on the grass (you can't park on the front lawn of your house, so why do it at the park).

The old police station across Queen Street can be used for weekend parking (there is even a walkway under Queen Street that connects the lot to the park. If push comes to shove, overflow of cars can park on weekends at Howden school (it is only about 100metres up the street). People can even take public transit (there is a bus deport by Lester B. Pearson Theater). There are many options, the green field does not need to be used for parking.

• Given the City disregard for green space (as outlined above), where one is established, put big natural like features (such as boulders or trees) at strategic locations, to make it difficult for the City to expropriate the space (for even portions of it) for other uses in the future.

Thank you.

Hamish

(Responded directly to Mr. Morgan)

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#### Comment Sheets from Open Houses - May 29 & May 30, 2017

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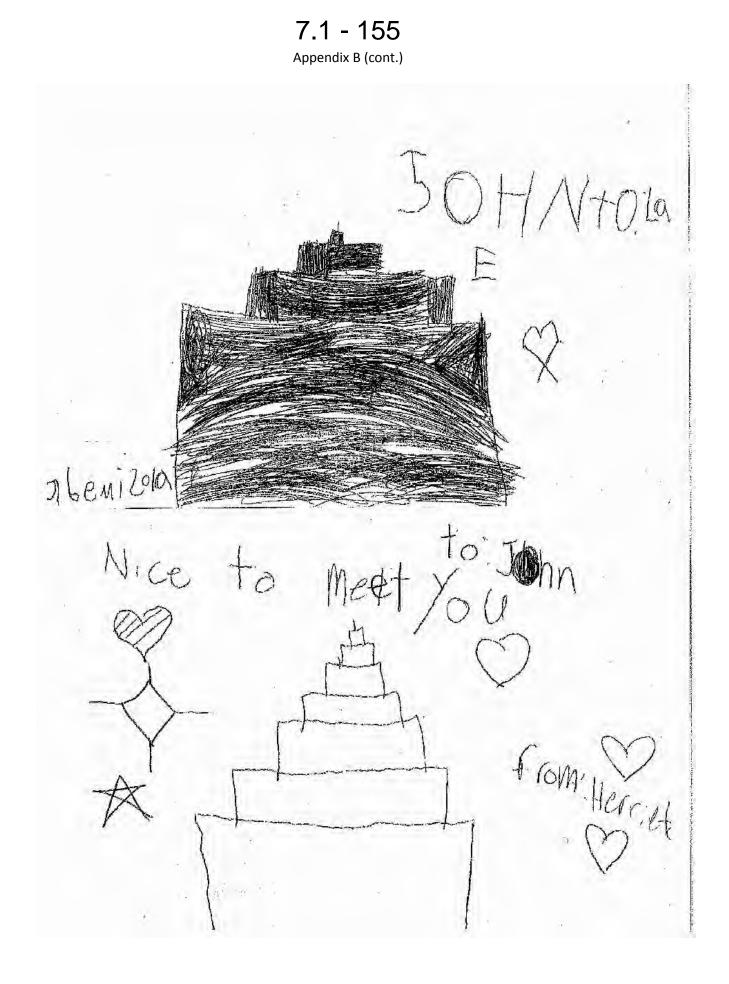
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APPENDIX C

### PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

### **RECOMMENDATION HIGHLIGHTS**

(Prioritized by Service Area)

#### A. INDOOR RECREATION:

#### Short Term:

- Commit to undertaking formal review of the Bramalea 'family' of recreation centres, inclusive of Howden Recreation Centre and Victoria Park Arena, with an end goal of rationalizing expenditures on facility renewal/replacement <sup>1</sup> (*RPA-G*, *Bramalea*)
  - Such work should also include addressing retrofit of 2 smaller indoor pools to offer therapeutic and/or rehabilitative experience along with the provision of gym and group fitness studio space
- Continue pursuit of an east-end senior centre using a community hub model involving prospective partners to complement city recreation services (*RPA G or I, Bramalea or Bram East*)
- Proactively seek a parcel of land within RPA 'A' capable of accommodating a future indoor aquatic centre and/or other indoor recreational components that may be required after the current PRMP planning period terminates (in 2031). (RPA A, North West Brampton)
- Initiate an Arena Strategy within the next five years that re-affirms arena-specific directions contained within the Parks and Recreation Master Plan and defines an implementation strategy to meet the targeted supply of ice pads...
- Undertake an Indoor Turf Study to determine the feasibility of investing in a second indoor turf facility based on market conditions, costs, and potential impacts – if any – to the Brampton Soccer Centre. Similarly, the City should consult with the school boards to be aware of any artificial turf field developments (indoor or outdoor) planned at local schools, and whether there are partnership opportunities that may be pursued as a result.
- Continue to assess demand for indoor gymnasium space, giving thought to increasing the City's current low inventory of gymnasium space

#### Medium Term:

• Design and construct a multipurpose community centre in Bram West at the cityowned 'Mississauga/Embleton' Community Park site (*RPA-E, Bram West*)

#### Long Term:

• Maintain Service level of 19 indoor ice pads, City wide

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Already initiated and supported by Committee of Council on April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017

#### B. OUTDOOR RECREATION:

#### Short Term:

- Continue pursuit of partnerships with school boards to maximize return on investment (City-wide)
- Complete construction of dedicated cricket pitch at McCandless Community Park (*RPA-A, North-West Brampton*) and construct a new dedicated cricket pitch at Gore Meadows Community Park (*RPA– D, The Gore*)
- Design parks in a manner that results in inclusive and flexible spaces as Brampton's growing population diversifies in terms of age, income, ability and ethnicity. Parks should be able to respond to emerging needs, regular consultations with the community is required in the park design process while the provision of open spaces/outdoor facilities that can be readily converted to other uses is encouraged. Should emerging demands result in infrastructure requests that are constrained by funding capacity, then the development of guidelines may be necessary (like those developed by staff in 2015 to govern the placement of shade structures)
- Extend the Sustainable Neighbourhood Retrofit Action Plan (SNAP) model for park redevelopment to other strategic locations, in partnership with the Toronto Region and Credit Valley Conservation Authorities, pending successful outcome of the current pilot projects for County Court Park and the Upper Nine Stormwater Management Pond

#### Medium Term:

 Construct nine new 'rectangular sports fields' (suitable for use by a broad range of outdoor field sports in such as soccer, field hockey, football, lacrosse, etc.) (Various RPA's)

#### Short Term - Long Term:

• Implement recommended service levels for multipurpose courts, tennis, splash pads through detailed site analysis (*Various RPA's*)

#### C. <u>PARKLAND</u>:

#### Short Term:

• Through the 2017 Official Plan Review, integrate an 'urban park' and 'linear park' classification into the parkland hierarchy (City-wide)

#### Short Term - to Long Term:

Increase the Neighborhood Parkland service level from 0.5 ha/1000 persons to 0.7 ha/1000 persons, thereby increasing the total park service levels across all park types to 1.6 ha/1000 persons. This has the effect the city needing to acquire, through development application conveyance and acquisition, 240 ha of new parkland by the end of the PRMP period (2031) (*All RPAs*)

#### D. RECREATION PROGRAMMING AND SERVICE DELIVERY:

The Master Plan offers numerous recommendations around recreation programming and service delivery. The great majority are either ongoing (commenced in some fashion) or are in the in Short Term timeframe. The following is a sample only.<sup>2</sup>

#### Short -Medium Term:

- Convene annual meetings with related partners and stakeholders to share strategic priorities, address current social issues and strategies and work together to address common areas of focus in Brampton.
- Explore the opportunity to increase partnerships and community stakeholder capacity to deliver recreation programs and services in an effort to reduce ongoing operating expenses.
  - Work in this area has commenced with the City coordinating ¼'ly meetings with the PDSB and DPCDSB to coordinate infrastructure and programming efforts
- Develop an Older Adult Strategy that addresses the parks, recreation and cultural needs of residents over the age of 55 years.
- Develop and implement communication and marketing materials that promote the benefits of Recreation and Active Living, utilizing on line, digital and social media mediums
- Develop a Pricing Policy based on the true costs to offer the program and service and base cost recovery levels on direct program costs, in conjunction with the value of the program/service to the individual and community good (i.e. lower levels of cost recovery for certain age groups, persons with disabilities etc.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For Council's information staff from the Service Innovation and Corporate Performance Division (CAO's Office) recently commenced its own review of recreation and parks service delivery, benefitted by the draft Master Plan's recommendations.