## **Events**

#### October

#### **Fright Nights**

Fridays and Saturdays October 14 - 29, 6 - 9 pm Various locations – check brampton.ca

#### **Winter Tennis Open House**

October 29, noon – 4 pm Chinquacousy Park

#### **Scare in the Square**

October 30 Garden Square, Downtown Brampton

#### November

#### **The Great Pumpkin Party**

November 1, 5 - 7 pm Garden Square, Downtown Brampton

#### **Inclusive Programs Information Fair**

November 5, 9 am - noon **Loafers Lake Recreation Centre** 

#### **Remembrance Day Services**

Branch 609: November 6, 10:40 am Chinquacousy Park Branch 15: November 11, 10:55 am Memorial Square Cenotaph

#### **Christmas Tree Lighting**

November 18, 6 – 9 pm **Downtown Brampton** 

#### **Brampton BIA Christmas Market**

November 18 - 20**Downtown Brampton** 

#### **Brampton Board of Trade Santa Claus Parade**

November 19

Main Street, Downtown Brampton

#### **Open House Chinguacousy Park Ski Chalet**

November 26, noon – 3 pm Chinguacousy Park

#### December

#### **New Year's Eve**

December 31, 7 pm - 12:30 am **Downtown Brampton** 

#### January

#### **New Year's Levee**

Date TBC Brampton City Hall (location TBC)



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## Message from the Mayor

The City of Brampton is working hard to carve out a niche market in the Human and Health Sciences sector, as we attract the attention of international investors on the heels of our investment and commitment in the soon-to-open Peel Memorial Centre for Integrated Health and Wellness. Along with the continued commitment to Brampton Civic Hospital and the ErinoakKids Centre for Treatment and Development (completion

spring 2017), Brampton is ideally positioned for growth in this exciting sector.

When the new Peel Memorial opens in the winter of 2017, it will signal our intention to create an innovative health, science and technology hub which will transform and grow good-paying jobs in our city.

I believe this latest investment in healthcare in Brampton strengthens our application and our competitive edge in successfully attracting a university campus. I strongly believe the Province will recognize that Brampton – with our investments in public healthcare, ability to attract international investors in the Human and Health Sciences sector and our young, well-educated and diverse population – is an ideal location to expand post-secondary education in Ontario.

This is Brampton's time to shine. Together we will build a better, healthier and well-educated city. Stay in touch.



## Can You See Your House Number in the Dark?

Stand at the street and look at your house. Can you see the entire number clearly? Would you be able to see it in the middle of the night? An easy-to-read house number can save precious time in case of an emergency.

- Make sure numbers are at least four inches tall.
- Numbers engraved in stone are not visible from the road. Try to keep numbers a different colour from the background.
- Clear away shrubs or branches that may block your street number.
- If you live in a newer home that still has a lot number sign, replace it with a permanent
- Light up your street number for the greatest visibility.

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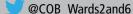
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# COMMUNITY

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Fall 2016



**Doug Whillans** City Councillor WARDS 2 and 6



## Councillors' Message

We are pleased to have this opportunity to update you about the events, activities and programs happening in Wards 2 & 6. This newsletter also offers some 'helpful hints' to keep your family safe throughout the year.

October marks the beginning of our fall and winter seasons. It is also the month we celebrate Thanksgiving; originally a day for giving thanks for the blessing of the harvest and for the good fortunes bestowed upon us during the previous year. Today, Thanksgiving is a personal and unique celebration - the 'bounty' we have 'harvested' is much less tangible than the crops our forefathers farmed.

We grew up in very civic-minded families, both our fathers served on City Council and, as children we were made keenly aware of the abundance we enjoyed because we lived in Brampton. Obvious things like recreational programs and facilities that allowed us to pursue our athletic interests, great schools that afforded a first class education (although we may not have accepted it at the time), open spaces, parks and trails that gave us the opportunity to explore and enjoy nature. Brampton still provides some of the best active and passive recreational amenities around and our educational system continues to be one of the finest anywhere.

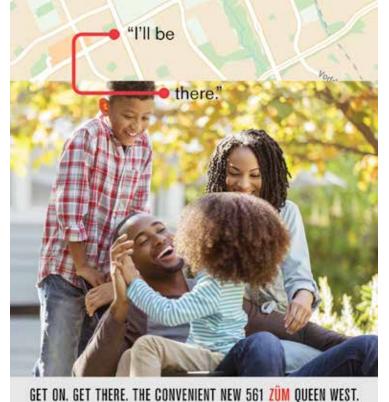
And, as we grew older, many of the less tangible benefits of living in Brampton became apparent; the incredible diversity of our community; a growing arts and cultural scene; accessible, affordable transportation and transit options within and beyond our city; the creation and retention of good jobs across numerous commercial sectors. All of these and many more remarkable opportunities exist in our City ... and there is more good news on the horizon.

We firmly believe Brampton's future is bright. Brampton is built on a solid foundation and benefits immeasurably from a strong, participative and engaged community of individuals with a common vision toward building a better community for us all. We have a strong, certain financial future based on a sound, long term financial plan. We will continue to enjoy first class active and passive recreational amenities as we complete our new Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

There is much to be thankful for in calling Brampton home; our proud agricultural history, the unique diversity that characterizes and shapes our community and the participation and involvement of residents who each day, encourage us to work together toward a bright future for our city.

Sincerely. Michael Palleschi **Regional Councillor** 

**Doug Whillans** City Councillor



Enjoy the benefits of being beautifully connected. This new route and other service improvements start September 6. bramptontransit.com T: 905,874,2999

Watch City Council meetings every other Wednesday at 9:30 am, live on Rogers Cable television. Visit brampton.ca or rogerstv.com.





## Mount Pleasant Village

Nestled within the large Mount Pleasant community in northwest Brampton is Mount Pleasant Village. Just steps from the GO train station, this transit-oriented urban village provides a unique experience in Brampton.

At the heart of the village, the public square features a playground, public art, spaces to relax, and a reflecting pond that transforms into a skating rink in the winter. The landmark cultural and education centre houses a community centre, library and two-storey elementary school.

Whether you're interested in art, heritage, outdoor activities or just relaxing with friends – Mount Pleasant Village has got something for all ages, in all seasons.



Visit brampton.ca/mountpleasantvillage to learn more.



## Safe Winter Driving: Stay Alert, Slow Down and Stay in Control

When driving in winter months, drive according to the weather and road conditions. Be aware of other

vehicles around you, and maintain a safe following distance.

At the start of the season, consider a winter tune-up for your vehicle, including having your tires checked for roadworthiness.

Stay off the road unless it is absolutely necessary that you drive. If you have to drive, take the right steps to prepare for your trip:

Clear the snow and ice from your vehicle - windows, lights, mirrors and the roof.

Once you start your vehicle, wait for the fog to clear from the inside of the windows to ensure visibility all around.

Wear comfortable clothing that doesn't restrict your movement while driving.

Plan your route ahead of time. Let someone know where you are going and when you expect to arrive. Allow extra time for travel.

Find more emergency preparedness tips and resources at **brampton.ca/prepared**.

## Winter Driving Emergency Kit

Winter storms can come on quickly. Store your emergency kit in your vehicle, including:

- Shovel
- Traction mats/sand/cat litter
- Tow chain or rope
- Booster cables
- Windshield washer fluid, fuel-line anti-freeze
- Ice scraper and brush
- Road maps and compass
- Non-perishable energy foods

   chocolate or granola bars,
   juice, soup, bottled water
- Flashlights, matches, candles to warm hands or use as emergency light
- Warning light or road flares
- Small tool kit
- Extra clothing and footwear
- Fire extinguisher
- First aid kit
- Emergency blankets

Find more tips and resources at **brampton.ca/prepared**.



## In Case of Fire: Get Out and Stay Out!

If a fire breaks out in your home, there is one very simple rule to remember: get out and stay out. Some people try to fight a fire themselves. Every second you wait to call 911 results in a larger fire with more damage. It puts you, your family, your neighbours and responding firefighters at serious risk.

Do not attempt to fight a fire yourself. Do not go back in the house for any reason. Call 911 immediately from a mobile phone or a neighbour's house, and leave the firefighting to the professionals who are trained and properly equipped.

## Fire safety tips:

- Have working smoke alarms on every level of your home and outside every sleeping area.
- Have a working carbon monoxide alarm outside every sleeping area.
- If you are renovating your home or buying a new home from a builder, consider installing an automatic residential fire sprinkler system.
- Sit down with your family to plan an escape route and set a meeting place outside your home.
- Identify anyone in your home who may need assistance to get out during an emergency (i.e. kids under 6 years old, a person with a hearing impairment).



## Oops! Got a Parking Ticket?

If you received a parking ticket and want to dispute it, you don't need to attend a court trial anymore. The City's new resolution process is easier and faster using the Administrative Monetary Penalty System (AMPS).

## What's changed?

- Previously, parking tickets of \$100 and above were managed by the provincial courts. You had one trial opportunity, with wait times of up to a year.
- Now, all parking penalties are managed by the City under one system. You have two opportunities to dispute the penalty, and can resolve it in 12-15 weeks.

Visit brampton.ca for details.



Live in a townhome and don't have the space to store waste carts in your garage? If you need to, you can store the carts in your front yard. The City understands there are space constraints when your home has a single-car driveway and garage, no side yard, and no access to the rear yard other than through the house. For residents in semi-detached and detached homes, waste carts must be stored in the garage, the side yard between houses, or the back yard. Sorry — carts are not permitted to be stored in the front yard facing a street.

Let's all keep our neighbourhoods looking good! Give your neighbours a friendly reminder if you see their carts in the wrong spot. You can also call 311 or use the City's Pingstreet app "Report a Problem" feature.

## Parks and Recreation Master Plan Results

Brampton's parks and recreation facilities are vital to the personal, community, social and economic wellbeing of our city. The City of Brampton is developing a Parks and Recreation Master Plan to ensure that our infrastructure and programming is meeting the needs of our citizens. This plan is critical as it will guide the delivery of parks, open space, recreation and sport facilities over the next 15 years.

Over the last couple of months, City staff and the consultants hired for the project, have been gathering feedback from residents and various stakeholders. A number of stakeholder meetings have been held and more than 1100 residents have taken the time to go online and fill out a survey. A Citizen Advisory Panel has also been established and feedback provided from all these sources will help in the development of the final Plan.

At present, data gathered so far is being collated and the consultants are working on a draft Facilities and Program Development Plan. The final draft of the Plan will be presented in Council early next year. Visit **brampton.ca/prmp** to learn more.