



COMMUNITY Update

John Sprovieri
Regional Councillor
WARDS 9 and 10



**Fall/Winter
2017**



Gurpreet Dhillon
City Councillor
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Message from Regional Councillor Sprovieri

It has been a great honour to serve as the Regional Councillor for the residents of Wards 9 and 10. The journey and growth that our City has experienced over the past few years is truly remarkable. Many residents have expressed their excitement about the developments and the direction we are heading in, including the upcoming addition of a University facility in our city, and this year's opening of the new Springdale Library and Gore Meadows Community Centre expansion.

It is also with great pleasure that I announce the Gore Meadows Community Centre expansion project is nearing completion very soon. The new phase will further elevate the facility by providing several new features and amenities such as a new aquatic facility, fitness centre, outdoor skating rink and much more.

I look forward to continuing to serve the residents of Wards 9 and 10, and working together to further progress and development. Please feel free to contact my office directly for any additional information or inquiries.

Sincerely,
Councillor John Sprovieri

Message from City Councillor Gurpreet Dhillon

Dear Wards 9 and 10 residents, I want to thank you for your on-going support in helping me identify and resolve key issues in our wards, and city, over the past three years. Whether it was my 2016 motion to create up to 25,000 more jobs in Brampton, my motion to increase transparency and accountability by posting Council voting online on a monthly basis, or my presence on the Blue Ribbon Committee which helped bring a new university to our city-your voice is being heard loud and clear.

Results matter. When we work together to improve the lives of our families, and create opportunities for each and every Bramptonian, we all succeed in achieving our common goals.

Looking forward, my vision is to have a thriving and connected city, where our children will have access to higher end jobs, top of the line education, improved recreation centres, and reliable transit.

This can only be done by thinking big, and not settling for the status quo – our city deserves the best.

Sincerely,
Councillor Gurpreet Dhillon

City commits to university investment



The City of Brampton has committed to an investment strategy for a new university facility and a centre for education, innovation and collaboration in downtown Brampton. The \$50M will be spread over 10 years into a post-secondary facility, and up to \$100M into joint-use community space that could include a new central library,

and entrepreneurial and cultural space in close proximity to the university facility. Specific decisions around timing, type of funding, and sources of funding will be made at a later time. Ryerson University and Sheridan College will be submitting its final proposal to the Province in Fall 2017, and the Province is expected to announce details later in the year.

Second Units Update

Second units are permitted in detached, semi-detached, and townhouse dwellings, subject to zoning requirements and restrictions. In June, City Council approved changes to make second unit policies more flexible and encourage more people to register:

- **Parking** – Changes in parking space width requirements so as to allow two cars to park side by side on the driveway.
- **Unit size** – The second unit must be smaller than the principal dwelling.
- **Registration process** – building permit applications and registration applications will be submitted for review at the same time, improving the efficiency of the current two-step process.

Legal non-conforming units – Waiver of \$200 registration fee for two-unit dwellings that existed before November 16, 1995.



Springdale Library opening soon

After much anticipation, the new library and park at 10705 Bramalea Road are expected to open in late November. The Springdale Library Branch is an innovative, 26,000 square foot (2,415 m²) triangular building that will also offer program rooms and a seniors' space. Meanwhile, Komagata Maru Park will include a themed, accessible playground, splash pad for use in the warmer months, and a garden/water feature. The design of the space will commemorate the Komagata Maru incident and tell a broader story about immigration and multiculturalism.



Stormwater financing study

Stormwater is the water that flows into our sewers, creeks and lakes from rain or melting snow. The City has an extensive system in place to manage this stormwater, decreasing the risk of flooding and erosion.

Like many other municipalities, Brampton's stormwater needs continue to grow as our population increases and infrastructure ages. The City is studying existing and projected stormwater needs and costs and exploring alternatives for paying for ongoing investment in this critical program. Visit www.brampton.ca to learn more and have your say.

Pendergast Log House

The Historic Bovaird House is getting a new neighbour – the Pendergast Log House! The Pendergast Log House is a rare cultural heritage resource built in the mid-1800s, and is one of last known surviving log houses in the city. The log house was originally located on the Pendergast Farm near McVean Drive and Countryside Drive.

The log house is being relocated to, and restored at, the Bovaird House property, where it will be appropriately integrated and programmed to ensure its long term reuse and enjoyment by the public.



Seniors snow removal grant

Are you a senior or someone living with a permanent disability? If so, the City can help cover the cost of hiring someone to clear your snow. If you qualify, you can receive up to \$200 for a non-corner lot, or \$300 for a corner lot with sidewalks on two sides (if neither one is cleared by the City).

Visit www.brampton.ca/snowgrant to learn more and find out how to apply.



ActiveAssist fee assistance program

ActiveAssist is a fee subsidy program designed to help low-income families and individuals in Brampton participate in recreation programs. This assistance is given in the form of a credit to your account of \$275/person, per 12-month period. Confidentiality is always maintained.

To apply, complete the ActiveAssist Application Form (available online or at any recreation centre).

Applicants will need to provide proof of residency, proof of total family net income, and proof of legal responsibility for all dependents listed on the application. A list of acceptable support documentation is available on the ActiveAssist webpage and application form.

brampton.ca/recreation activeassist@brampton.ca
905.874.2313.

Widening driveways

Know the rules before you plan to widen driveways:

- For cutting the curb or widening the boulevard (land between road and sidewalk), you may require a permit from the City.
- For changing the landscape or grade of your property, you may also require a Fill Permit from the City. This is for the materials (soil, stone, concrete, sod etc.) that will be used on your driveway.
- There are driveway restrictions based on the size of your property
- You must also leave at least 0.6 m (two feet) of permeable landscaping between your driveway and side lot line

Visit brampton.ca or call Zoning services at **905.874.2090** for details.



Your role in shaping City budget

Each year the City identifies priorities, goals and initiatives that ensure good use of resources. As residents of Brampton, your input is key to the entire budget process. Stay tuned for budget discussion dates, which will be posted on brampton.ca.

What's the budget process?

- 1** Council Members provide direction and feedback on strategic priorities to guide the budget process
- 2** Budget Committee reviews business plans and makes recommendations to Council
- 3** Review includes revisions and reprioritization of needs (in line with strategic priorities, costs and public input)
- 4** Council reviews recommendations and approves budget

Using fireworks for Diwali or New Year's Eve?

Only short-range fireworks, those that tend to travel less than 3 metres (10 feet) when set off, are allowed. Examples include fountains, wheels, ground spinners, sparklers. All other fireworks are banned in Brampton, and no fireworks are allowed on sidewalks, at schools parks and other public properties.



Safety tips:



- **Keep a container of water or a hose line that's filled with water available to extinguish fireworks**



- **Never light a firework or hold a lit firework in your hand, other than a sparkler**



- **After using sparklers, place them in a container of water to fully cool before disposal**

Events

Councillor Dhillon's Drop-in Basketball

Tuesdays, 6 - 8pm
Louise Arbour Secondary School

November

Great Pumpkin Party

Wednesday, November 1
Garden Square

Remembrance Day Parade/Service

Saturday, November 11
Ken Whillans Square

Tree Lighting

Friday, November 17
Ken Whillans Square

Christmas Market

November 17 - 19
Downtown Brampton

Santa Claus Parade

Saturday, November 18
Downtown Brampton

December

New Year's Eve

Sunday, December 31
Downtown Brampton

January 2018

New Year's Levee

Date, location tbc



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Message from the Mayor

Brampton is the ninth largest city in Canada, and the second fastest growing. Our population is one of the youngest, most diverse and dynamic in Ontario.

Ryerson University and Sheridan College have applied to the Province to bring an exciting, unique campus into Brampton. Securing a University wasn't easy but now all the associated economic and social benefits which have been a priority for our City and our residents are within reach.

Your elected representatives and staff are working on delivering something truly extraordinary for Brampton. And by committing to a historic investment in our University, we ensure a brighter future for our residents, our businesses, and our youth.

Linda Jeffrey

Carbon Monoxide (CO) – Reduce the Risk

- Never use barbecues or propane cookers and heaters inside the home or garage.
- Never warm up a vehicle inside the garage.
- Have your furnace and chimney cleaned yearly by a qualified professional.
- Change your furnace filter regularly.
- Have a working CO alarm outside every sleeping area.



Prevent Cooking Fires

- Prevent cooking fires by staying alert. Never cook when you are sleepy, consumed alcohol, used medication or drugs such as marijuana
- Always stay in the kitchen when you are frying, boiling, and grilling food

Booking events

Looking to book a space for an event or community gathering? Brampton offers a variety of indoor and outdoor areas for small and large groups. Call 905.874.BOOK for details.

Stoop and Scoop pet waste

- Animal owners must "stoop and scoop" their pet's waste from public spaces
- Be sure to carry a plastic bag with you when walking your dog. Once you scoop, tie the bag and drop it in the nearest garbage container

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