Tuesday, June 25, 2019
6:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

Bdrm WT-2C
2nd Floor, West Tower

Members:
Preethi Anbalagan
Harripaul Bridgemohan
Akeem Gardner
Rajbalinder Ghatoura
Malcolm Hamilton
Jafir Jaferi
David Laing
Ken Lauppe
Tamsen Metcalfe
Davika Misir
Amandeep Purewal
Sherry-Ann Ram
Vipul Shah
Stacey Wilson
Kayla Wong
City Councillor Doug Whillans

For inquiries about this Agenda, or to make arrangements for accessibility accommodations for persons attending (some advance notice may be required), please contact:

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Note: Meeting information is also available in alternate formats upon request.

Note: For difficulty accessing meeting rooms, buildings, elevators, etc. please contact Security at 905-874-2111
1. Approval of Agenda

2. Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

3. Previous Minutes

4. Delegations/Presentations
   4.1. Presentation by the City Clerk's Office, re: Environment Advisory Committee Orientation.  
       To be distributed prior to the meeting
   
   4.2. Presentation by the Environment and Development Engineering Division, re: Overview of Committee Mandate and Environmental Planning Projects.  
       To be distributed prior to the meeting

5. Reports/Updates

6. Sub-Committees

7. Other/New Business
   7.1. Discussion re: Election of Co-Chairs

8. Correspondence

9. Question Period

10. Public Question Period  
    15 Minute Limit (regarding any decision made at this meeting)

11. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
Environment
Advisory Committee
Orientation

June 25, 2019
Overview

1. Committee Process and Meetings
2. Role of Committee Members
Environment Advisory Committee

- Environment Advisory Committee established by Council Resolution C284-2018 through adoption of Committee terms of reference.

- 2018-2022 term Committee Members appointed May 22, 2019 by Council Resolution C196-2019, until November 14, 2022 or until successors are appointed.
Environment Advisory Committee

Membership

- 15 members of the public, appointed until November 14, 2022, or until successors are appointed
  - Preethi Anbalagan
  - Harripaul Bridgemohan
  - Akeem Gardner
  - Rajbalinder Ghatoura
  - Malcolm Hamilton
  - Jafir Jaferi
  - David Laing
  - Ken Lauppe
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  - Stacey Wilson
  - Kayla Wong

- 1 Councillor:
  - City Councillor Doug Whillans – Wards 2 and 6
Environment
Advisory Committee

Attendance and Quorum

- **Quorum** = 8 citizen members
  a majority of the 15 citizen members to be present to convene a meeting

- If a member is absent for three consecutive meetings, that position may be declared vacant and an alternate member is appointed

- *Please contact Sonya Pacheco if unable to attend a meeting*

Meeting dates and location

- Bi-Monthly (**2nd Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.**) 
- Meetings held at City Hall (Bdrm CH-4A Council Committee Room)
Environment Advisory Committee

Purpose
• The Committee will assist, educate, and engage the community to advance the goals and actions of the City’s Grow Green Environmental Master Plan (EMP). The Committee will advise City Council on environmental planning policy and sustainability matters to promote the protection, enhancement, and management of the City’s natural and built environment.

Responsibility
• The Committee will act as the City’s liaison/forum on environmental issues. The Committee will collaborate with other internal and external advisory committees and environmental partners and agencies to achieve the City’s environmental mandate and goals.

Scope
• Serves an advisory, consultative role
• Does not have decision making authority, but may make recommendations to City Council through Committee of Council
Meeting Procedures, Agendas and Minutes

Meeting Procedures
• Council [Procedure By-law 160-2004](#), as amended

Agendas
• digitally published the Thursday before the scheduled meeting date
• available on the City [website](#)
• meeting information available in alternate formats, upon request

Minutes
• Committee recommendations/proceedings recorded in Committee Minutes
• Minutes presented to Committee of Council for approval
  • Committee of Council Minutes approved by Council
Agenda Sections

Committee Agenda:

1. Approval of the Agenda
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Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

- The Act applies where a **direct or indirect pecuniary (financial benefit) relationship** may exist for a member as a result of a matter before the Committee
  - “relationship” includes parent, spouse, child
- The member must declare a conflict of interest at the beginning of the meeting and excuse themselves from the proceedings and involvement in the decision
- Declaring a conflict is up to the individual member
- New requirement for declaration to also be in writing
- Can seek advice regarding conflict of interest from Integrity Commissioner
Rules of Debate and Decision-Making

• Considering an agenda item:
  • Chair calls the item
  • May be introduction of item by Chair, member, staff
  • Committee considers the item
    • May ask questions of staff/proponent
    • May speak in favor/against the item/issue/proposal
    • Speaking and debate must be relevant to item under consideration
Rules of Debate and Decision-Making

- Making a decision
  - Consensus-based decision-making
  - Committee member introduces a motion to do something
    - Verbal or in writing
    - Does not require a seconder
    - Motion debated and may be amended, referred, deferred
    - After debate, Chair puts motion to a vote
    - Majority vote to pass Motion (does not carry on tie vote)
City By-laws and Policy

- Procedure By-law
- Code of Conduct
- Lobbyist Registry
- Grow Green Brampton
- Brampton’s Environmental Master Plan
Role of Committee Members

- Be familiar with Committee responsibilities
- Review agenda materials
- Attend meetings
- Listen to the presentations and debate; be respectful of everyone
- Contribute to discussions and ask questions for clarification
- Work on sub-committees and participate at Committee events
- Avoid emotional attachment
- If delegating to a Council or other Committee meeting, qualify your role (an interested citizen or Committee representative – if authorized)
- Support the Committee decision once approved
- Avoid criticizing Council decisions
- Refer media inquiries to the Chair or City staff
- Remember staff is available to help
- Enjoy the experience!
Environment Advisory Committee

Orientation – June 25, 2019

Discussion Questions?

Group Photo

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BRAMPTON’S ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM: AN OVERVIEW
ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

• Responsible for City’s Environmental Sustainability Program and Natural Heritage Planning
  o Policy development
  o Development application review
  o Master Plan development and implementation
  o Corporate resource for environmental sustainability, climate change, and natural heritage initiatives
  o Community outreach and education
STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:
BRAMPTON 2040 VISION

• Sets a direction for Brampton to 2040 constructed around seven target visions
• Based on extensive public consultation
• Endorsed by Council in May 2018
• Vision 1: Sustainability and the Environment
  o Brampton Trees Project (1 Million Trees)
  o Brampton Eco Park
  o Institute for Sustainable Brampton
STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:
2018-2022 TERM OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES

• Shared priorities of City Council over the current term
• Supports the Brampton 2040 Vision
• Five strategic directions, including “Green City”
• Priorities and projects for each direction
STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:
CITY OF BRAMPTON OFFICIAL PLAN

• Policy document that guides short-term and long-term development
• Acts as a road map for city-building
• Land use, built form, transportation, natural heritage, etc.
STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: BRAMPTON GROW GREEN

- Environmental sustainability framework for corporate and community actions
- Approved by Council in 2014
- Includes Action Plan, metrics, and targets
- People, Air, Water, Land, Energy, Waste
STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: NHEMS

- Natural Heritage and Environmental Management Strategy
- Approved by Council in 2015
- Strategy to protect, connect, and enhance the City’s natural heritage system
- Includes Action Plan, metrics, and targets
KEY INTIATIVES:
COMMUNITY ENERGY & EMISSIONS REDUCTION PLAN

• Partnership with Sheridan College
• Aims to improve energy efficiency, reduce GHGs, stimulate economic development
• Set out energy efficiency and greenhouse gas emission reduction targets
• Provide a roadmap to achieve targets
• Supported by CEERP Community Task Force
KEY INITIATIVES:
NATURAL HERITAGE RESTORATION PROGRAM

• Protecting, restoring, connecting and enhancing health and biodiversity of the city’s Natural Heritage System
• Identify and prioritize areas
• Tree planting, naturalization, LID, reduced manicuring, invasive species management
• Partnership, education, engagement
KEY INITIATIVES:
SUSTAINABLE NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION PLANS

• Environmental improvements and urban renewal of existing neighbourhoods
• Partnership with Conservation Authorities and Region of Peel
• County Court SNAP (TRCA)
  o Implementation phase
• Fletcher’s Creek SNAP (CVC)
  o Action Plan phase
• Bramalea SNAP (TRCA)
  o Exploration phase
KEY INITIATIVES:
SUSTAINABLE NEW DEVELOPMENT

- Evaluate and score the environmental sustainability performance of new development applications
- Sustainable Community Development Guidelines (SCDGs)
- Sustainability Metrics
- Sustainability Score Thresholds
  - Bronze, Silver, Gold
KEY INITIATIVES: OUTREACH & EDUCATION
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Grow Green Network

Organization Branch

• Coordinated by BEAC

• Collective of local organizations focusing on environmental stewardship and sustainability

• Identify like priorities, and leverage each other’s resources and ideas

Grow Green Network

Email Network

• Members of the public interested in environmental action
YOUR ROLE: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

• Primary role is to assist, educate, and engage the community
  o Identifying opportunities for community engagement
  o Reviewing and distributing communication materials
  o Coordinating and hosting community events

• Build and maintain meaningful and effective relationships with community organizations
NEXT STEPS

- Review work plan of previous term of EAC
- Establish priorities for current term of EAC
- Develop formal work plan
- Establish sub-committees, as needed
Brampton
Grow Green
Environmental Master Plan
BRAMPTON GROW GREEN

- City’s first Environmental Master Plan
- Approved in 2014
- Strategic directions, actions and targets
- Healthy, sustainable, and resilient city
VISION

Brampton is a community that will conserve, enhance, and balance our natural and built environments to create a healthy, resilient, and sustainable city. We will carry out our responsibilities to meet the needs of the present community without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.
GROW GREEN FRAMEWORK

PEOPLE
Invest in people to create a healthy, livable and safe community

AIR
Reduce impacts on air quality

WATER
Protect and respect water as a non-renewable, critical resource

LAND
Manage land to sustain the natural environment

ENERGY
Reduce energy usage and manage its impact on our environment

WASTE
Reduce and manage material considered waste

BRAMPTON
ACTION PLAN: EXAMPLES

PEOPLE
- Establish a Grow Green Network
- Create a Grow Green engagement strategy
- Develop awareness and education materials

AIR
- Develop GHG reduction plan for City facilities
- Develop an Active Transportation Master Plan
- Update City’s Green Fleet Strategy

WATER
- Create an Erosion & Sediment Control By-law
- Develop a Water Conservation Plan for City buildings/facilities
- Promote rainwater/snow as a resource

LAND
- Assess City facilities for urban agriculture
- Expand SNAP program
- Develop a Parks & Recreation Master Plan

ENERGY
- Develop an Energy Management Strategy
- Implement EV plug in stations
- Create Renewable Energy Strategy for City facilities

WASTE
- Provide recycling bins in all buildings/facilities
- Develop Corporate Waste Management Strategy
- Create “no bottled water” policy
## METRICS

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GROW GREEN TEAM
Internal cross departmental team championing the Brampton Grow Green Environmental Master Master Plan.

GROW GREEN NETWORK
Collection of local organizations focused on environmental stewardship and collective action.

PERFORMANCE MONITORING
Gathering performance data, defining lessons learned, and reporting progress.
SOME ACHIEVEMENTS

BRAMPTON
ACTION PLAN & PERFORMANCE METRIC REFRESH

• Implementation Action Plan and Performance Metric refresh
  • Support the *Brampton Grow Green* vision, guiding principles, and goals
  • Reflect knowledge garnered from first five years of implementation
  • Align with new Term of Council priorities
  • Connect to the City’s strategic documents and their long term vision
  • Integrate the community’s desired direction for the future of Brampton

• Iterative process
• Including consultation with BEAC
THANK YOU