

Brampton



Ward Report



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City Councillor
Wards 3 & 4

SPRING/SUMMER 2011 WARDS 3 AND 4

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Regional Councillor
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City Councillor Bob Callahan and Regional Councillor John Sanderson at the Peel Memorial Hospital redevelopment site

Dear residents

I wish to, first of all, thank you for your support in the recent municipal election. I promise to use all my energies in representing your interests. Although I have stepped down from my longstanding position as Council Representative on the Seniors Council, I will continue to strive to protect the interests of seniors. I am pleased that an initiative pursued by me was passed by Council; it provides reduced transit fares for seniors (see page 6).

I will continue to support expansion of recreational programs and facilities for seniors, as I continue to believe that such steps can allow them to stay healthy. During the recent budget deliberations, I argued against the inclusion of the one per cent levy at this time since many citizens are either out of work or hard pressed financially. This additional levy will not help the plight of such citizens. It will weigh particularly on those who are on fixed incomes and where even a minimal boost in taxes can make it difficult, if not impossible, for them to remain in their homes.

I have always been an advocate for a clean and sustainable environment. As a new board member of the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), and working with community partners, I hope to ensure that we work towards improving rain water management, increasing our tree cover and creating a wildlife habitat, and conserving energy and drinking water across both public and private lands. We will also be looking into various means to get more people interested and involved in this endeavour as well as educating our children. Just imagine: It's the year 2100, and our great-great-grandchildren enjoy living and working in a city and region that is cleaner, greener and healthier than the one we inhabit today.

I am always open to discuss your views on community issues that you wish me to pursue.

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Dear residents

I would like to thank all of you for your support in the recent Municipal Election. I made it a point of getting out and meeting as many of you as I could. I must tell you meeting residents face-to-face, listening to your concerns and helping with all your issues to the best of my ability is what I enjoy the most about my job.

Renovations and other improvements to our recreation centres are nearing completion, thanks in part to the financial assistance of the Federal and Provincial governments who contributed \$9.36 million to extend the life of the city's recreation assets. This will also create additional benefits for long-term economic growth and contribute to the health and quality of life of Brampton's residents.

It is my vision to have the William Osler Health Centre opened as an Integrated Health and Wellness Campus at the former Peel Memorial Hospital site. With our growing and diverse population, two hospitals are necessary to meet existing and

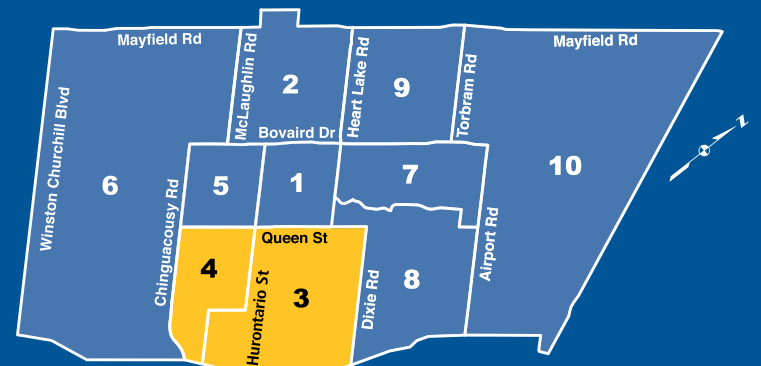
emerging health care needs in the community. As a member of the Community Partners Task Force, I am continuing to work with other community members and businesses to advocate for the redevelopment of the Peel Memorial Hospital site. The enhancement of our quality of life in Brampton is a priority for me.

I am looking forward to seeing you and your families out at the opening of the Farmers' Market on June 18 and I hope you stay and enjoy the Flower City Parade which begins at 2 pm. This year we are proud to participate in the International Indian Film Academy (IIFA) and the parade will reflect Brampton as a diverse and dynamic place to live.

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Ward Map



Specifically, the Office of the Integrity Commissioner's functions include:

- Upon their request, advising Members of Council, and Council as a whole, on their obligations and responsibilities under the Code of Conduct and any other legislation, rule or policy governing their ethical behavior;
- Receiving, assessing and, where appropriate, investigating complaints made by Council, a Member of Council, a staff member or a member of the public, on an alleged breach of the Code of Conduct;
- Determining whether and how investigations will be conducted; and
- Reporting back to Council on whether an investigation's findings confirm a breach of the Code of Conduct.

Of more than 400 Ontario municipalities, only 10 have a Code of Conduct and an Integrity Commissioner. To ensure consistent standards, Mayor Susan Fennell continues to advocate to the Government of Ontario and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario that a uniform Code of Conduct be established for all municipalities across the province.

For more information on government accountability and transparency, go to: <http://www.brampton.ca/en/City-Hall/Pages/Accountability-and-Transparency.aspx>

Investing in our infrastructure

Through proactively engaging our partners at the federal and provincial levels, and encouraging them to see the value in our credible and accountable infrastructure proposals, in 2009 Brampton received in excess of \$60 million* as part of the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund and the Recreation Infrastructure Canada (RIc) Program and Ontario Recreation (Ontario REC) stimulus program. At the time of going to print all projects were expected to be completed as scheduled unless otherwise mentioned.

*The City of Brampton contributed \$20.5m, the Province of Ontario, \$20.5m and the Government of Canada, \$20.5m.

Infrastructure Stimulus Fund (ISF): \$31.8 million from the federal and provincial governments with the City of Brampton contributing \$15.8 million. Projects include the Mount Pleasant Transit Hub and Donald M. Gordon Chinguacousy Park.

Mount Pleasant Transit Mobility Hub: The project received a total of \$23 million with the City of Brampton committing \$7.6 million. Centered around the existing Mount Pleasant GO station in northwest Brampton, the development of the Mount Pleasant Mobility Hub will transform this new residential community into a modern, transit-oriented neighbourhood, built to accommodate the day-to-day needs of pedestrians, cyclists and commuters. Work on the project was completed in the spring. Key components include:

- Community Transit Infrastructure: station stops and related passenger amenities
- Mobility Hub Facility: bus layovers, sheltered passenger areas, clock tower, pedestrian access to GO Station, bike storage areas and related amenities
- Cultural Heritage: reconstructed historic CPR train station in the Mount Pleasant Civic Square to be used as a cultural facility shared with the Peel District School Board and the Brampton Public Library (will open in September)
- Pedestrian Amenities: Mount Pleasant Square incorporating a reflecting pool/skating rink, open space, public art, canopy structures, play area and landscaping features

Donald M. Gordon Chinguacousy Park: This 103-acre signature park in Brampton received a total of \$24.5 million with the City committing \$8.2 million. It is a civic landmark and a local and regional destination. The project primarily focused on renewal and enhancement of current park facilities, and increased capacity to meet the demands of Canada's second fastest-growing city. The overall character of the park has been retained.

Some of the enhancements such as the mini golf and the splash pad are complete and open to the public.

Project update:

- Tennis /curling facility and ski chalet – expected to be completed by May 2011
- Playground and water play area – completed
- Waterfront pavilion and watercourse enhancement – expected to be completed by July 2011
- New additions to the sports field including a state of the art electronic score board, accessible spectator bleachers and a sport box at centre field – completed.

RIc/REC Projects

The City of Brampton received more than \$14 million in funding through the Recreation Infrastructure Canada (RIc) Program and Ontario Recreation (Ontario REC) stimulus program to provide upgrades and renovations to its recreation facilities. The projects selected for funding through RIc/REC include:

- **Brampton Curling Club** (\$1,486,500): Received a facelift to the structure, ensuring improved energy efficiencies – completed.
- **Brampton Lawn Bowling Club** (\$2,976,000): This new facility was built in close proximity to the Flower City Seniors Centre. The facility includes eight outdoor bowling lanes and a 4,500 square foot clubhouse that includes a kitchen, indoor meeting space, a small administrative office and washroom amenities – completed.
- **Brampton Soccer Centre** (\$766,000): Key components of this project included additions to existing HVAC systems for improved temperature controls and participant comfort levels. Additionally, changes were made to floor surfaces increasing safety while maximizing recreation program space – completed.
- **Chris Gibson Recreation Centre** (\$1,918,000): Key components of this project included renovation of the change rooms, increasing public access and accommodating persons with special needs. Efficiencies were also made to the HVAC systems, reducing the carbon footprint of this community facility – completed.
- **Ebenezer Community Centre** (\$1,959,750): With the widening of Gore Road, Ward 10 residents saw the Ebenezer heritage community centre being moved further back from the street. Key components of this project included repairs and rehabilitative work, better accessibility as well as improved mechanical and electrical components – completed.
- **Greenbriar Recreation Centre** (\$1,306,000): Key components of this project included renovations to the facility, maximizing recreation program space and improving public access to the entranceway while accommodating persons with special needs. Efficiencies were also made to lighting systems, reducing the carbon footprint of this community facility – completed
- **Memorial Arena** (\$922,000): Invested to ensure this heritage site remains functional and an integral part of our community – completed.
- **Snelgrove Community Centre** (\$242,000): Key components of this project included improvements to the lighting leading to cost efficiencies and interior and exterior improvements that improve accessibility while enhancing the centre's longevity – completed.
- **South Fletcher's Sportsplex** (\$2,459,000): This project is expected to be completed by early Fall 2011. Key components of this project include renovations to the entranceways, increasing public access and accommodating persons with special needs. This feature will also allow for better climate control leading to cost efficiencies while reducing the carbon footprint of the building. Other repairs to the pool, rink and fitness facility will extend the longevity of the centre.

Managing Growth, Protecting our Environment, Enhancing our Community

Brampton's first Bus Rapid Transit Service



On September 20, 2010, Brampton Transit successfully launched the first line of the City's new Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service – Züm. Running along Queen Street, from Downtown Brampton to the transit hub at York University, Züm was specifically designed from the ground up to offer Brampton residents an efficient, high-frequency, comfortable all-day service.



This fall, Brampton Transit launches its Züm Main Street line, which runs from Sandalwood Parkway to the Mississauga City Centre and Square One. When it starts, Züm Main Street will be the best option for Brampton residents travelling between Shoppers World and Square One.

Züm uses world-class technologies to find faster ways to connect people and places. While Züm is a new service, it's not a separate one – riders can easily transfer between Züm and other Brampton Transit buses at no extra cost.

The Züm launch also featured the grand opening of the new Bramalea Transit Terminal. It was moved closer to the Queen Street corridor and was designed to accommodate the new Züm service.

Züm significantly improves the quality of Brampton Transit's overall service, providing better connections for residents in and around Brampton as well as throughout the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) with direct links to York Region, Mississauga and Toronto.

The cost for the entire Züm project is \$285 million. All three levels of government have contributed to the project with investments of \$95 million each.

Züm has just begun

Züm Queen Street was the first of three BRT lines scheduled to launch in Phase I of the project. Züm Main Street begins this fall, while Züm Steeles Avenue will begin in 2012, running from Shoppers World to Humber College. The first phase of the BRT project also includes the relocation and redesign of Brampton Transit's Shoppers World Terminal (Fall 2012) and an upgrade to the Downtown Terminal.

Phase II of the project features westbound extensions to the Züm Queen Street and Züm Steeles Avenue lines, as well as the addition of a new Züm line along Bovaird Drive.

A record setting year in 2010!

- Overall Brampton Transit ridership grew by 12.6 per cent in 2010
 - o This was the largest year-to-date growth in Brampton Transit history
 - o A total of 13.8 million people rode Brampton Transit in 2010
 - o An increase of more than 1.5 million riders compared to 2009
 - o Previous year-to-date growth record was 12.4 per cent set in 2006
- Brampton Transit also set three back-to-back all-time monthly ridership records following the Züm launch
 - o November 2010 = 1.393 million riders (all-time record)
 - o October 2010 = 1.343 million riders
 - o September 2010 = 1.288 million riders
- Weekday ridership has increased 25 per cent along the Queen Street corridor since the Züm launch
- September 2010 ridership was up nearly 50 per cent compared to September 2005 when planning for Züm began
- Overall monthly ridership average since the Züm launch = 1.24 million



When is Brampton not Brampton?

Brampton is not Brampton when it stands in for another municipality in a film, television show, made for TV movie, commercial, documentary or music video. Here are some of the places that Brampton has stood in for:

- A small Wisconsin community in *A Map of the World* (1999), starring Sigourney Weaver
- Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in *Land of the Dead* (2004), Dennis Hopper, John Lagazamo
- A town in New Hampshire in *To Die For* (1994), Nicole Kidman, Matt Dillon, Joaquin Phoenix
- The state of Main in *Welcome to Mooseport* (2003), Gene Hackman, Ray Romano
- Defiance, Ohio in *The Prizewinner of Defiance, Ohio* (2008), Julianne Moore, Woody Harrelson
- A small town in Texas in *Jasper, Texas* (2002), Jon Voight, Lou Gossett Jr.
- A small Canadian town in *Men With Brooms* (2001), Paul Gross, Leslie Neilson
- Haplin, Minnesota in *Happy Town* (2009), Sam Neill, Stephen Weber, Amy Acker
- A quaint New England Town in *Dream House* (2010), Daniel Craig
- West Allis, Wisconsin in *The Dan Jansen Story* (1993), Matt Keeslar
- A small southern U.S. town in *For the Love of Olivia* (2000), Lou Gossett Jr. Robert Urich
- Cardinal Leger Secondary School stood in for Huron High School in *Ann Arbor, Michigan*
- in *Jumper* (2006), Hayden Christensen, Samuel L. Jackson

Watch for the new TV series...Falling Skies

Falling Skies, from DreamWorks Television and executive producer Steven Spielberg, is an exciting new series that is scheduled to launch in June 2011. Noah Wyle, of *ER* fame, stars as a former college professor who becomes the leader of a group of soldiers and civilians struggling against an occupying alien force. Two episodes were filmed in Brampton, one on Creditview Road South and the other at Peel Memorial Hospital on Trueman Street and Centre Street.

Peel Memorial Hospital

After serving 82 years as Brampton's only hospital, Peel Memorial closed its doors in 2007. There are plans to redevelop the site as a future health clinic. In the three years since it was no longer a working hospital, it was used as a hospital in *Dream House* (2010) starring Daniel Craig, *Lost Girl* (2010) starring Anna Silk; *Maggie Hill* (2009) starring Alfre Woodward, *Happy Town* (2009) starring Sam Neil and Stephen Weber, *Flashpoint* (2009) starring Hugh Dillon, *The Border* (2009) starring James McGowan and the pilot episode of *Fringe* (2008) starring Joshua Jackson. Brampton Film Services issued seven film permits for film shoots at the hospital

In November of 2010, Brampton Film Services was advised that the hospital was no longer available for filming, as it would be undergoing redevelopment.

Southwest Quadrant Renewal Plan gets the green light

Brampton City Council has moved forward towards meeting the future administrative space needs of the City and revitalizing downtown Brampton.



Council accepted a staff committee recommendation that Dominus Construction Group (Dominus) be selected as the City's long-term development partner, subject to negotiation of agreement documents, for an exciting project under which Dominus would construct the buildings and facilities and the City's cost commitment would be limited to lease payments.

In addition to development in the historic Southwest Quadrant, the plan calls for development in three phases which, with the Rose Theatre, would see City-initiated investment in all four quadrants of downtown Brampton.

As Brampton's long-term partner, Dominus would construct 126,000 square feet of net leasable space ready for occupancy in 2014, plus other Council desired amenities such as a police reporting station, community meeting rooms, retail space and additional parking, all contributing to the revitalization of Brampton's downtown.

The Dominus three-phased proposal includes:

Phase 1 (Sites 1 and 1a) - scheduled for completion by 2014

- construction of a nine-storey building (126, 398 square feet) at 41 George Street with five levels of underground parking (446 spaces)
- three-storey addition to City Hall
- a police reporting station
- more than 16,000 square feet of ground retail space
- multi-purpose meeting rooms and committee rooms
- integration of the southwest quadrant on both sides of George Street
- signature and placemaking architectural elements including a new north Grand Lobby entrance to City Hall
- vibrant, animated, pedestrian-friendly streetscape with mixed-use, private retail on the ground floor
- an environment for pedestrian movement throughout all four quadrants in downtown for outdoor and public events and activities in the daytime and evenings

Phase 2 – scheduled for post 2014 (exact timing yet to be determined by Council)

- A new 130,000 square-foot (net leasable space) main branch library located at 21 George Street and four floors of underground parking (360 spaces)
- 4,000 square feet of street level retail space
- a public square

Phase 3 – scheduled for 2014-2031 (exact timing yet to be determined by Council)

- Construction of additional administrative space (120,000 square feet – net leasable space) and possibly mid-rise residential at 65 Queen Street East (which is the existing central library location).

Staff will be reporting back to Council on the final details of Dominus' proposal and contractual documents for Council consideration and approval. Council will consider the financial requirements of the Southwest Quadrant Renewal Plan through the 2012 budget process.

Concept plans presented at Council for the Phase 1 (sites 1 & 1a) are available for viewing at www.brampton.ca.

The City of Brampton provides a wide range of programs and services to meet the diverse needs of its citizens. Brampton is committed to keeping citizens informed and engaged in the development of a sustainable community with superior infrastructure and services that continue to provide a high quality of life, making Brampton a great place to live, work and play.

Brampton's Flower City Strategy: it's not just about flowers

More than 100 years ago, Brampton distinguished itself as one of the world's top flower producers. Proudly, Brampton roses were known as a symbol of excellence and quality the world over. Today, as Brampton grows into a cosmopolitan and diverse city, Brampton's commitment to quality and excellence remains unchanged.

The rose was adopted as a symbol of our commitment to building a City that works beautifully, and the Flower City brand was a natural progression towards establishing excellence. Adopted by Council in June 2002, the Flower City Strategy is a multi-faceted strategy seeking to promote quality, excellence and pride in all that we do, from city services to program development to community outreach.

The Flower City Strategy emphasizes Placemaking, Promotion and Partnership as the ideal model for the City that works beautifully. It aims to set us apart from other municipalities as a leader in innovative thinking and strategic planning.

What have we achieved so far?

Here are some of the highlights of the great Placemaking, Promotion and Partnership initiatives happening in Canada's Flower City...it's so much more than flowers.

Placemaking

- **Alderlea Restoration:** Placemaking is all about creating new places and preserving the great spaces we already have! The restoration of Alderlea is an important project for the City. We are not only restoring it to its former glory, but also creating a place to be enjoyed and appreciated by all for generations to come. The new corporate centre that will result from this renovation will be a meeting place for the community where residents can gather and host special events. Every effort has been made to protect Alderlea's architectural integrity and historical significance. The Legion addition, built in 1947, was carefully demolished in 2010. Over the coming months, work is being done inside and out to preserve Alderlea's heritage features – from the buff yellow brick and ornate gables to the marble fireplaces, cornices and decorative archways throughout. A new addition will also be built. The Alderlea corporate centre is scheduled to open in summer 2012.

- **Tails and Pathways:** Each year the City of Brampton adds approximately eight kilometres of pathways. At present, Brampton's pathways network consists of more than 267 kilometres of neighbourhood, community and city-wide trails that are more than just recreational amenities. Brampton has five valleyland trails, including the Fletchers Creek, Etobicoke Creek, Esker Lake, Chinguacousy and Professor's Lake Trails. The Bovaird Trail is a 16-kilometre east/west multi-use boulevard path along Bovaird Drive that connects the City's five north/south valleyland paths, and many other destinations including two major transit terminals, the new hospital and regional shopping centre. Currently, the City is also partnering with the Toronto Region Conservation Authority on the planning, design and construction of a trail in the Claireville Conservation Area. The proposed trail will provide local access into the Conservation Area and will connect into the City of Toronto's Humber River trail that stretches all the way to Lake Ontario. In the next 20 years, the City plans to add an additional 400 kilometres of pathways.

- **Mt Pleasant Mobility Hub public art:** The administration of Brampton's public art collection is facilitated by the Flower City Committee and this year the committee is excited to add four pieces of art to the new Mount Pleasant Square. The focal point of Mount Pleasant Village is the Square and the adjacent historic Brampton train station that is now a community centre space and part of a library and public elementary school. During concept development, public art was deemed to be a vital component in the public's enjoyment and quality of experience in the Square.

The public art includes a signature sculpture that the artist, Ron Baird, has named "Ghost Train." It reflects the actual size of the original steam engine that plied the tracks of the Grand Trunk Railroad in the 1800s.

As Brampton continues to grow, so too will our public art collection. Stay tuned for more updates on public art projects happening in your Flower City!

Promotion

• A City that works beautifully!

Brampton's rose symbolizes quality and excellence in all that we do. Brampton prides itself on meeting the needs of our diverse residents and strives to provide a high quality of life for all. We truly believe Brampton is a great place to live, work and play!

Part of the Flower City program is to undertake initiatives that promote Brampton and increase the awareness of our unique identity as the Flower City. Brampton has received several awards and designations for our exceptional programs and services. Each award helps promote our city and further demonstrates our commitment to providing quality, excellence and pride.

Please visit www.brampton.ca to see a full list of all our awards and designations.

• Flower City Plaque



The City of Brampton's heritage signage program strives to increase our sense of community and promote the rich heritage built by those who founded and developed Brampton! The City of Brampton's wall-mounted heritage plaque program and interpretive signage work together with our Heritage Walking Tour booklet to protect, preserve and promote our City's rich historical resources. This panel, celebrating our flowertown heritage, has been installed at the Greenway Retirement Village on Ken Whillans drive. Keep on the lookout for more heritage signs popping up this year in Downtown Brampton.

Partnerships

- **Scotts Community Garden:** To foster the development of gardens and green spaces, The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company has established GRO1000, a commitment to install 1,000 gardens and green spaces in the United States and select international sites by 2018. GRO1000 creates a partnership of national and local groups to collectively advocate for and demonstrate the benefits of gardening and green space development in local communities.

In partnership with Communities in Bloom, Scotts Miracle-Gro Company has chosen the City of Brampton to be the first GRO1000 project in Canada!

The City of Brampton, honoured to be selected, identified the newly renovated Chinguacousy Park as the site for this project. Paid in full by The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company, this edible garden will feature a variety of vegetables, include an integrated educational component for youth and partner with local food banks to donate produce.

- **Flower City Parade:** Engaging and developing in long-term partnerships is a key Flower City Strategy initiative. Meaningful partnerships with residents, businesses and community groups help us demonstrate our pride and commitment to this beautiful city.

The annual Brampton Flower City Parade is a celebration of our flower town roots. The parade features beautifully designed floats that salute our floral heritage. To execute the parade, the City of Brampton partners with several business and community groups, each essential to the success and delivery of this annual event.

This year Brampton City Council has supported an exciting new partnership for the Flower City Parade. The Flower City Parade Committee and the Santa Claus Parade Committee (a subcommittee of the Board of Trade) have decided to work together on both parades. By working jointly and leveraging each committee's resources, both committees believe the parades will be enhanced.

The Flower City parade will take place on Saturday, June 18, 2011 at 2 pm in downtown Brampton. We hope to see you there!

- **HACE:** This program focuses on the heritage, arts, culture and entertainment (HACE) sectors. Working with partners such as the Brampton Downtown Development Corporation and the Brampton Arts Council, the HACE Committee is working on a new creative sector program designed to attract more people to our beautiful downtown. This initiative builds on the 10-year program and relationship already established between the City and the Brampton Arts Council. Since the inception of the HACE plan, the Brampton Economic Development Office has provided an annual grant to the Brampton Arts Council.

HACE-related activities include:

- o Art in the Open with the Brampton Farmers' Market
- o Business of the Arts Workshops held in November of each year
- o Arts Incubator at Beaux Arts Studio
- o Events, festivals and performances
- o Development of key resources including a business directory, web site and the community and regional networks
- o Establishing the HACE name and logo as a trademark in Canada
- o Advocating for grants from various organizations including the federal, provincial and municipal governments.

Brampton City Council, in its 2011 Budget, renewed its commitment to HACE with a five-year economic development plan to pursue and promote the development of a creative economy in the city.

Controlling weeds within the provincial pesticides ban

It's been a little over two years since the Ontario government passed the Ontario Cosmetic Pesticides Ban Act. Passed in spring 2009, the ban prohibits the sale and use of pesticides for cosmetic or non-essential use on lawns, gardens and school yards. Over 250 products are banned for sale and more than 80 pesticide ingredients are banned for public use including many herbicides, fungicides and insecticides.

There are exceptions for public health or safety reasons such as fighting West Nile Virus, stinging insects like wasps or controlling poison ivy and other poisonous plants that pose safety hazards. Exceptions are also allowed for agricultural and forestry use.

The City of Brampton's Parks Department has taken several steps to control the growth of weeds while ensuring we comply with the provincial ban. These measures include:

- cutting City-owned lawns more frequently, which reduces the number of weeds that are permitted to spread seeds
- raising the mowing height on a lawn mower from 2 – 3 inches, which promotes stronger grass roots, creates shade at the soil level and discourages the germination of weed seeds
- fertilizing and aerating higher-traffic grass areas more frequently
- applying a high pressure steam called "Aquacide" to control the spread of weeds
- covering garden and shrub areas with mulch to increase water retention and prevent weed seeds from coming in contact with the soil
- hand-pulling and trimming weeds.

Tips to care for your garden and lawn naturally

Here are some easy tips to help residents control weeds in their gardens and lawns.

- Raise mowing height to three inches to improve turf health, root growth and weed resistance
 - Mow your grass before weeds have a chance to produce seeds
 - Increase the vigour of your lawn through regular fertilizing, aerating, topdressing, over-seeding and watering (1" per week)
 - Mulch plant beds to suppress weed growth and conserve moisture
 - Install "Weed Mats" to prevent germination of perennial weeds
 - Use safe products, such as insecticidal soaps and dormant oil on trees and shrubs to combat pests
 - Pull or trim weeds by hand
 - Encourage pests' natural predators like ladybugs and birds
- For more information contact Parks Maintenance and Operations at 905.874.2906.

Senior citizens ride for \$1 on Brampton Transit

As of March 28, 2011 all senior citizens, 65 years of age and older, who are residents of Brampton, pay only \$1 to ride Brampton Transit when they show their Brampton Transit Senior Identification card. To be eligible to receive the Senior ID card, one piece of documentation from each of the following sections must be presented.

Proof of Brampton Address

- Household bill (telephone, TV, hydro, gas or water)
- Bank/credit card statement
- Statement of government benefits (employment insurance, old age security, social assistance or disability support)
- Property tax bill
- Driver's licence

Proof of Identity

One piece of valid government-issued identification that includes a photograph, name, and date of birth required. Acceptable forms include a:

- Driver's licence
- Canadian passport
- Permanent resident card
- Provincial health card (red and white cards not acceptable)
- Birth certificate (only if presented with a valid piece of photo ID)

Senior ID cards can be obtained at the following Brampton Transit facilities:

Brampton Transit Clark Facility
185 Clark Boulevard
Monday – Friday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Brampton Transit Sandalwood Facility
130 Sandalwood Parkway West
Monday – Friday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

At the time of going to print, more than 3,000 Seniors ID cards had been issued.



Healthy food that tastes good – yes it's possible to EatSmart!®

Hot steel-cut oatmeal, fresh fruit, granola bars, yogurt...visitors to Brampton's Century Gardens Recreation Centre will now have healthier options to choose from at the Centre's snack bar and vending machines.

Century Gardens is the first recreation in the Region of Peel to be certified under the province's EatSmart!® Recreation Centre Program.

EatSmart!® is a program supported by the Nutrition Resource Centre (NRC), an initiative of the Ontario Public Health Association (OPHA), and is run by local public health units across Ontario. This program is financed by the Government of Ontario. The Canadian Cancer Society and the Heart and Stroke Foundation are partners in the EatSmart!® program.

Road works 2011

The City of Brampton's 2011 road improvements are now underway. For a list of road construction projects and other road-related activities happening in the city, pick up a copy of the 2011 Road Improvement Program Guide from a City kiosk, recreation centre or the Works & Transportation Department (8850 McLaughlin Road, Unit 2).



For detailed status details, visit www.brampton.ca/roadworks or follow @BramptonWorks on Twitter.

A simple safety reminder

Making sure your house number is clearly visible can save precious time in case of an emergency. 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?

Brampton Fire and Emergency Services offers the following tips to ensure your house can be easily located by emergency vehicles

- Make sure the numbers are at least 10.2 centimetres (four inches) tall.
- Numbers engraved in stone are not visible from the road. Try to keep the numbers a different colour from the background.
- Clear away any shrubs or branches that may be blocking your street number.
- If you live in a newer home that still has a lot number sign, replace it with a permanent street number.
- Light up your street number for the greatest visibility.

311

311 is an easy-to-remember telephone number to access non-emergency local municipal government information, programs and services provided by the City of Brampton and Region of Peel. Representatives are available 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week to respond to your requests, and service is available in more than 150 languages using telephone interpretation. All regular City of Brampton and Region of Peel phone numbers still work. 311 is simply an additional, simplified option to help serve you better.



Explore your city with Brampton's Tourism Guide

Discover Brampton's beautiful parks, fascinating history, exciting festivals and events, diverse arts and culture, and a multitude of opportunities for sport, leisure and shopping. The City of Brampton's 2011– 2012 Everything Brampton Tourism Guide is filled with a wealth of information on the city's festivals and events, heritage attractions, museums, visual and performing arts, sports and leisure activities, accommodations and more. Pick up your copy today at local libraries' InfoCity Kiosks, Tourism Brampton's Information Kiosk at 33 Queen Street West and at Brampton City Hall at 2 Wellington Street West or call Tourism Brampton 24/7 at 905.874.3601. If you prefer to go green, get the online version of the guide at www.tourismbrampton.ca.



Everything Brampton Tourism Guide is produced by the City of Brampton's tourism office, dedicated to promoting our city as a tourism destination and location for conventions and sports tournaments. Copies of the guide are distributed throughout Ontario and beyond, to tourism information centres, chambers of commerce, local hoteliers, industry tour operators, and more.

Brampton Farmers' Market

The 2011 Brampton Farmers' Market runs from June 18 to October 8, every Saturday morning, from 7 am to 1 pm, rain or shine. Each week, the market draws between 3,000 to 5,000 visitors who come to purchase fresh, locally grown produce, preserves, baked goods and international cuisine. In addition, the Brampton Arts Council runs the Art in the Open program in the beautiful Garden Square, in front of the Rose Theatre. With weekly entertainment, family-friendly activities and a thriving vendor marketplace, the Brampton Farmers' Market is the place to be on Saturday mornings.

IIFA celebrations

The opening day of the Famers' Market, June 18, promises to be a memorable and exciting day. The Farmers' Market will be celebrating the International Indian Film Academy (IIFA) Awards with a South Asian theme for the day. Visitors will be enchanted by the colourful decorations, festivities and delicious food.

Children's Day at the Market

On August 6, join us for a day filled with fun children's activities. Enjoy entertainment, a scavenger hunt and other exciting activities for the entire family.

For more information, contact 905.874.2650 or e-mail bfm@brampton.ca.

Spring/Harvest Cleanups

In 2010, Brampton Clean City worked with 122,419 dedicated and passionate residents, schools, business, community groups, families and individuals during both the Spring and Harvest Cleanup Campaigns. Combined efforts of participants during both campaigns helped to remove litter and recycle waste by several thousand tons across the city.

This year's Spring Cleanup was a great success once again, with the added addition of a new event – the 'Electronic Waste Collection Event'. Electronic waste, or 'e-waste', is the fastest growing waste stream in Canada – primarily due to rapid changes in technology. Working in partnership with Rogers Communications, Tim Hortons, GEEP (Global Electric Electronic Processing) and the Region of Peel, residents were encouraged to recycle old and unwanted electronic equipment, including cell phones, laptops, computers, monitors, DVD and CD players and other specified e-waste. By participating in this event, residents helped to divert potentially hazardous materials from entering landfills.

With the successful completion of the 2011 Spring Cleanup, plans are in the works for another exciting Harvest Cleanup this October. Brampton Clean City would like to thank you for your support! For more information or to register for Clean City programs and upcoming events, please visit www.brampton.ca/cleancity or call 905.874.2828.

Consider the adoption option

The Brampton Animal Shelter has a large selection of cats, dogs, birds, rabbits and a variety of other small animals that are looking for a loving home. Make a difference and consider the adoption option! Visit the Brampton Animal Shelter or go online at www.brampton.ca/animalservices to view pictures of available animals.

Be part of the solution to pet overpopulation, spay or neuter your pet. Spaying and neutering helps prevent certain cancers, roaming, aggressive behaviour, unwanted offspring, and can help ensure healthier, happier pets. Contact your veterinarian for more information or call Animal Services at 905.458.5800.

Registration for Fall/Winter 2011 recreation programs

Registration for fall and winter recreation programs begins Monday, August 8. Visit www.brampton.ca to find out about recreation programs and take advantage of online registration – no waiting, 24-hours a day access. The Fall & Winter 2011 Recreation Program Guide will be available for pickup at your local community centre, public library or City Hall by July 29. The Recreation Program Guide may also be viewed on the City's website.

June is Seniors Month – Join us for a Caribbean Carnival!

On June 17, the Chinguacousy Curling Club will be transformed into a Caribbean Carnival. The doors will be open from 11 am to 3 pm at 9050 Bramalea Road. Guests will experience the taste and sounds of this colourful culture and enjoy a catered lunch, dancing, community displays and door prizes for men and women 55+. Tickets may be purchased for \$15 per person at Flower City Seniors Centre or Knightsbridge Seniors Centre.

This section provides a miscellany of "bits and bites" of information that may be of interest to residents of Brampton. Please note that information provided is not necessarily related to a City of Brampton municipal program or service, but may fall under regional, provincial or federal government jurisdiction.

Check out the Seniors Spring and Summer Activities Guide, now available! Flower City Seniors Centre is home to over 120 recreation programs for men and women 55+. The centre offers a wide variety of activities such as fitness and sports, dance, computers, bus trips, special events as well as fun drop-in activities like cards and games. Don't forget the variety of services available to the members that include a salon, aesthetics, massage therapy and a foot care clinic.

The City's seniors programs are reasonably priced and are a great way to stay active, meet new people, stay connected with the community and have fun. Pick up your Spring and Summer Activities Guide at the Flower City Seniors Recreation Centre, 8870 McLaughlin Road or call 905.874.3500 for details.

Fireworks safety

Fireworks may be a festive part of many celebrations, but they can also be dangerous. The City of Brampton has put restrictions on fireworks to protect the safety of all residents.

- It is illegal to set off fireworks on sidewalks, streets, parks or any other public area.
- To hold a personal fireworks display on your property, your property must be at least 60 feet wide at the front.
- If your property is at least 60 feet wide at the front, you may set off fireworks on your property on four days in 2011:
 - o Victoria Day (May 23)
 - o Canada Day (July 1)
 - o Diwali (October 26)
 - o New Year's Eve (December 31)
- If your property is less than 60 feet wide at the front, you are not allowed to set off fireworks at any time.

For more information on fireworks safety, call 311 or visit www.brampton.ca/bylaws



Emergency Preparedness Guide

The Brampton Emergency Measures Office (BEMO) has created a new Emergency Preparedness Guide for our community. The guide contains valuable information and helpful tips promoting awareness and preparedness in the event of an emergency.

The City of Brampton wants you to prepare for an emergency!

1. Learn how to be ready by understanding the hazards and knowing what to do during an emergency to stay safe
2. Plan what to do by creating a family disaster plan.
3. Train and practise with your family
4. Organize your emergency kits
5. Secure and protect your home
6. Safeguard your finances and have adequate insurance

The new Brampton Emergency Preparedness Guides are available free of charge at Recreation Centres and the City Hall information kiosk. You can also visit BEMO at www.brampton.ca/prepared for an electronic copy of the guide or for additional preparedness information.

The BEMO is also available to give preparedness presentations throughout the year to schools community groups, associations and businesses. Follow the Emergency Measures Office on twitter: www.twitter.com/bemoprepared

Heat alerts in Brampton

Last summer was the first in many years where a sustained Heat Alert was issued in Brampton. We actually had an extreme heat alert for one day as well. With changing climates across the globe we should prepare to expect many more extreme weather events in Brampton in coming years.

The City of Brampton activates a number of procedures to help residents cope with the heat during a sustained heat alert. Cooling Centers are opened where all residents can relax, receive bottled water and other health information. These are located at South Fletcher's Sportsplex, Cassie Campbell Community Centre, Century Gardens Recreation Centre and Earncliffe Recreation Centre. Pools, splash pads and recreation centres also extend hours during a Heat alert.



The Brampton Emergency Measures Office wants you to remember three key messages during a Heat Alert in Brampton:

1. Keep Cool
2. Stay Hydrated
3. Check on your Neighbours

For additional information on heat alerts in Brampton visit www.brampton.ca/prepared

Multilingual Services and alternate formats available

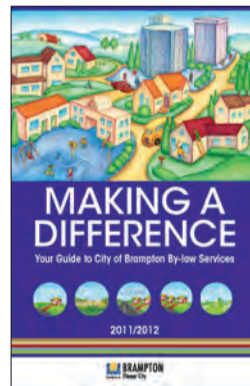
The City of Brampton takes pride in offering superior customer service to ensure that residents can easily and efficiently access municipal programs and services.

Brampton is making every effort to ensure that the City's external communications (print and electronic) are accessible to all residents, including people with disabilities. A simple four word phrase – Available in alternate formats – is now included on all external City publications to inform residents that if needed, they can request information in a format that meets their needs. For example: someone with a visual impairment may request for the information in larger font or in Braille. Overall, the intent is that the City will communicate using simple, plain language and use reasonable efforts to ensure that communications are appropriate to the situation and meet the individual needs of each customer.

To better serve our diverse community, the City of Brampton also offers a Multilingual Services Program. It includes interpretation and translation services that help with access to municipal programs and services. Telephone interpretation service is available in more than 150 languages, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. To use the service one has to simply identify the preferred language to the customer service representative. Also, translations of selected key documents are available on the City's website.

Making a Difference: a guide to By-Law Enforcement

Ever wonder what the rules are for parking on the street in front of your house? Thinking about installing a pool or hot tub and not sure what permits are required? Want to make sure you are meeting the standards for yard maintenance but not sure what they are? All of this information and much, much more can be found in one place – Making a Difference, an easy-to-use guidebook that is now available from Enforcement and By-law Services.



Information is organized into sections that target each enforcement area including the home, yard, street, neighbourhood and park. Every resident plays a part in keeping Brampton safe and continuing to make it a beautiful place in which to live, work and play. This guidebook, which will be available at the end of June, can help all of us do our part to make a difference.

Pick up your copy at City Hall, Brampton Public Libraries and Enforcement Services at 485 Chrysler Drive (southeast corner at Williams Parkway) or get it online at www.brampton.ca/bylaws.

Municipal Responsibilities

By-laws, Building Permits, Crossing Guards, Economic Development, Fire and Emergency Services, Libraries, Licensing, Local Roads, Parks and Recreation, Planning, Small Business Enterprise Centre, Snow Removal, Taxation, Traffic, Transit, Zoning

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TTY	905.874.2130
Animal Services	905.458.5200
Building Permits	905.874.2401
By-Law Enforcement	905.458.3424
City Manager's Office	905.874.2625
City Clerk's Office	905.874.2100
Corporate Communications	905.874.3604
Council Offices	905.874.2616
Economic Development	905.874.2650
Fire Administration	905.874.2700
Human Resources	905.874.2150
Rose Theatre Box Office	905.874.2800
Risk & Insurance	905.874.2144
Information Technology	905.874.2000
Licensing	905.874.2580
Legal Services	905.874.2675
Parking Enforcement	905.874.3424
Mayor's Office	905.874.2600
Parks and Recreation	905.874.2300
Parks Maintenance	905.874.2906
Planning	905.874.2050
Small Business Enterprise Centre	905.874.2650
Purchasing - Tenders	905.874.2260
Transit Information	905.874.2999
Traffic	905.874.2500
Urban Design	905.874.3453
Treasury/Tax/Finance	905.874.2200
Works and Transportation	905.874.2500
Zoning	905.874.2090

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French Language Board/Separate	
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Regional Responsibilities

Planning, Public Health, Non-Profit Housing, Police, Regional Roads, Homes for the Aged, Sewers, Human Services, Taxation, Traffic, Waste Management

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Federal Responsibilities

Agriculture, Commerce, Defence, Energy, Mines and Resources, Environment, External Affairs, Finance, Health and Welfare, Immigration, Indian Affairs, Industry and Trade, Labour, Manpower, Passports, Post Office, Taxation, Transport (Air and Rail), Unemployment Insurance

Members of Federal Parliament

Kyle Seebach MP-elect, Brampton West

Parm Gill, MP-elect, Brampton/Springdale

Bal Gosal, MP-elect, Bramlea/Gore/Malton

Eve Adams, MP-elect, Mississauga/Brampton South

At the time of going to print, MPs had not been sworn in and no contact information (riding office phone and e-mail address) was available. For updated information go to www.parl.gc.ca/MembersOfParliament.

New lawn bowling facility at Flower City Community Campus

Brampton continues to be a leader in recreation and will be providing an opportunity for residents of all ages to learn the sport of lawn bowling at the new facility at the Flower City Community Campus. This facility is being funded through the Recreational Infrastructure Canada (RInC)/Ontario Recreation (Ontario REC) Program funding.

The facility, adjacent to the Seniors Recreation Centre boasts eight outdoor bowling lanes and a 4,500 square foot clubhouse that includes a kitchen, indoor meeting space, a small administrative office and washroom amenities.

Although the primary use will focus on lawn bowling, the clubhouse component of the facility will be used for a number of other activities as well, including various seniors programs and special events. The new lawn bowling facility will provide an opportunity for new and existing members of the Brampton Lawn Bowling Club to participate in indoor bowls at both the recreational and competitive levels. It will also be available for use by members of the Seniors Recreation Centre, schools and local residents.

The revitalized Gage Park

Throughout the winter months, every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons, Gage Park had fire pits and DJ music. Residents enjoyed some great skating and music. On special days such as Valentine's Day there were special draws and prizes offered. Family Day included games, music, and other activities for the whole family. With a new PA system in the Park, everybody had a rocking time. With the summer months ahead, exciting events are planned including the annual Rib N' Roll and Classic Cars. To get updates on the various events please visit www.brampton.ca. Hope to see you all there!

A Walk Through Time

This summer get yourself a copy of A Walk Through Time: Downtown Heritage Walking Tour, and take a whole new look at Brampton's history. This engaging tour showcases downtown Brampton's distinctive and vibrant built, natural and cultural heritage. The detailed, illustrated guidebook allows you to take the tour at your own pace, whether you have an hour or a full day. It provides walking directions and detailed information on such historically important sites as Alderlea, the Peel County Courthouse and Carnegie Library.

Brampton has a unique and distinctive heritage and is fortunate to have a heavy concentration of heritage sites located close together in the heart of the City. Pick up your copy at City Hall, the InfoKiosks or check online.

Main Street South Heritage Conservation District

Under Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act, a municipal council may designate areas worthy of preservation as heritage conservation districts. In so doing, an historic neighbourhood becomes protected under the Ontario Heritage Act. Existing heritage buildings and landscapes are preserved and any new development must be compatible with the historic nature of the area.

This doesn't mean that homeowners cannot make changes to their properties. It means that any exterior changes, additions or new construction must contribute to the district's character.

Seven areas in downtown Brampton were identified as possible heritage conservation districts. The first of these to be pursued is Main Street South, from Queen Street to the point where the Etobicoke Creek crosses Main Street, between Harold Street and Nanwood Drive.

The large 19th and 20th century homes in this area, with their deep lawns and mature trees, act as a gateway to downtown Brampton and are a perfect candidate for this type of preservation. Since 1980, 76 heritage conservation districts have been designated by municipalities across Ontario. One of these is the Churchville area here in Brampton.

Since 2007 a series of studies and public consultations have taken place. Based on this, an initial report on the Main Street South conservation plan has been submitted by the consultant firm ERA and is currently being reviewed by City staff. The public will be invited to two Public Information Meetings to encourage community involvement and input into the development of the Main Street South conservation plan. Stay tuned for a Public Meeting notice. Once the plan is complete, a resolution will be brought to Council to approve

the Main Street South Heritage Conservation District, planned for fall 2011.

For more information on heritage conservation districts, call 905.874.2050 or visit www.brampton.ca

Chapelview Apartments goes "LEED Platinum"

On March 21, 2011, Martinway Developments Ltd. was officially informed by the Canadian Green Building Council that the newly completed Chapelview Apartments has achieved the highest environmental benchmark rating of "LEED Platinum". This 15-story 200 multi-residential affordable housing complex, together with six underground levels of residential and Brampton municipal parking, became the first project of its kind to achieve such a rating in North America.

In order to achieve such a milestone, Martinway Developments, through its innovative Corporate Sponsorship Program rallied some 40 Corporate Sponsors to join with them to not only achieve this Platinum rating status but also to create a greater awareness of the continued need for affordable housing in our communities and, in particular, in the Region of Peel.

The tenants living at Chapelview will have some of the best living conditions possible in a residential building. The "Chapelview Apartment Project" is representative of a "model" building and raises the bar by setting new construction and environmental standards. We hope that more buildings in Brampton will reflect these new standards. There is no greater accomplishment than achieving these milestones by providing the highest quality of living standards for individuals in our community with the greatest need.

County Court SNAP and the Green Home Makeover

The City of Brampton continues to partner with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) and the Region of Peel to conduct a ground-breaking environmental study in the County Court neighbourhood. It's called the County Court SNAP (Sustainable Neighbourhood Retrofit Action Plan) and it's aimed at transforming the neighborhood to become more environmentally friendly and prepare it for climate change. Technical studies were performed on a wide variety of environmental factors including energy and water consumption, natural heritage and storm water management. Surveys were conducted with residents and business owners.

TRCA is now at the point in the project where they are starting to demonstrate ways that residents can make their home and their property more environmentally friendly.

The largest of these demonstration projects is the Green Home Makeover. In February, residents of the County Court neighbourhood were encouraged to enter for the chance to receive a complete green home makeover on both the inside and outside of their home.

After a rigorous selection process, one home was chosen from all the entries submitted. These neighbourhood champions (name was not available at press time) will spend the summer watching their home transform into a model for sustainable living. The home will receive over \$50,000 in appliances, home renovations and front yard landscaping, all of which will improve energy and water efficiency and reduce costs.

An open house is planned for the fall to showcase the makeover to the entire neighbourhood. For more information visit www.sustainableneighbourhoods.ca

Peel Memorial Hospital redevelopment

The new Peel Memorial Centre for Integrated Health and Wellness promises to be more than a hospital. The William Osler Health System plan for Peel Memorial Hospital includes a multi-disciplinary integrated model of community-based care, anchored by an ambulatory and urgent care centre and a complex continuing care facility, to meet the health care needs of the residents of Brampton in an enhanced health and wellness campus.

Main areas of service include: urgent care; day surgery; treatment of health conditions; diagnostic services; women's and children wellness; mental health and addiction; seniors wellness and family health.

Redevelopment plans are as follows:

Phase 1: Ambulatory Facility – 2015

Phase 2: Inpatient Care Tower – 2025

Last year, in response to a formal request for funding by the William Osler Health System, Brampton City Council approved a \$60 million contribution, pending provincial government approval of the \$420 million redevelopment plan. The City of Brampton will lead the community effort to ensure that the Government of Ontario commits to the revitalization and restoration of health care services on the Peel Memorial Hospital site.



Councillor Bob Callahan and Regional Councillor John Sanderson with Danny Yiannakis, owner of the landmark DQ on Queen Street

Peel Village Golf Course

Located in the heart of Brampton is an oasis of green. The Peel Village Golf Club is constructed on a 67-acre flood plain surrounding the Etobicoke Creek. The course offers golfers nine challenging holes in a natural wildlife sanctuary.

The golf club offers the unique experience of actually playing in a wild garden. The course, a mix of tree-lined dog-legs and water hazards, is characterized by the beauty and difficulty of hole #3, and the course's signature hole, a par-5 featuring a double dog-leg carved out through the trees.

Peel Village joined the Audubon program in 1995. In 1998, it became the first municipal golf course to become fully certified under the Audubon Co-operative Sanctuary System. For more information visit www.brampton.ca

Parking meters

In 2010, Council approved the implementation of a number of recommendations identified in the Downtown Parking Strategy Report. These recommendations included the installation of new and additional on-street parking meters in 2011 at two locations: on George Street S, from Queen Street W to Wellington Street; and on Mill Street S, between Queen Street W and Wellington Street W.

Catholic Family Services Peel Dufferin (CFSPD)

This organization works with victims of violence and abuse providing access to services such as counseling, women's shelter, legal aid, law enforcement, children's aid and financial help. The centre, located at 60 West Drive, which is currently undergoing renovations, will be the future home of Peel Region's first and only Family Justice and Child Advocacy Centre. The agency received a \$1 million grant from Queen's Park and up to \$2.2 million from Ottawa under the Infrastructure Stimulus Funding (ISF) program.

The renovations will help provide CFSPD with a head office and co-located space for a number of complementary social and business services that will help many non-crisis clients get help. The Catholic Family Services Peel Dufferin serves some 20,000 people each year. The single "hub" will help families by offering a seamless and hassle-free service. Some agencies that will be housed at the new offices include: Associated Youth Services of Peel, Catholic Crosscultural Services, Family Education Centre, Peel Children's Aid Society, India Rainbow Community Services and Peel Committee Against Woman Abuse.



(Left to right, front row): Neil Davis; Regional Councillor John Sanderson; Madame Madaleine Meilleur, Minister of Community and Social Services; Linda Jeffrey, MPP Brampton Springdale; Emil Kolb, Chair of Peel Regional Council; and Harold Shipp

