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GUIDE TO FLOWER CITY'S TRAILS AND PATHWAYS NOW AVAILABLE

BRAMPTON –Brampton's new Pathways and Trails Guide is hot off the press and available at any City of Brampton recreation facility, the Rose Theatre Brampton and branches of the Brampton Library.

The Guide, released today at Brampton City Council, reflects three major trail systems in Brampton—Etobicoke Creek, Chinguacousy and Professor's Lake—with directions and coloured, detailed maps indicating key areas of interest on the trails, such as parks and recreation facilities.

"Brampton is Canada's Flower City, and an ideal place for families and businesses to grow and prosper," said Brampton Mayor Susan Fennell. "Working with our community partners—including the 57,000 citizens who clean up parks and pathways each year and the 16 dedicated police officers who patrol parks, pathways and plazas on bicycles on the Bike Patrol—the City has made our parks, trails and pathways system among the cleanest, greenest and safest in the province."

The new Trails & PathWays Guide helps people connect with Canada's Flower City and includes connections to employment areas, the historic downtown, shopping, health centres, parks and recreation facilities. Pathways connect to such key locations as the courthouse district of Brampton on Ray Lawson Boulevard, Peel Village Golf Course, the Rose Theatre Brampton, the new William Osler Health Centre and the new Brampton Soccer Centre.

The City of Brampton maintains 2,425 acres of parkland and features 3,882 acres of City-owned open space. The City also maintains 82 kilometres of primary pathways and an additional 140 kilometres of secondary trails. The trails are widely used for recreational purposes, as well as modes of travel to key destinations throughout the City including community parks, Professor's Lake, health care centres, shopping and industrial centres.

"The City of Brampton is committed to providing a healthy lifestyle and a high quality of life for residents through its systems of pathways and trails as well as through the entire system of parks and recreation services," said John Marshall, Commissioner of Community Services. "The City continues to annually plan, design, construct and reconstruct paths."

In addition to being available at recreation centres, the Trails & PathWays Guide is downloadable from the City's website at www.brampton.ca and copies can be picked up at the Environmental Fair hosted for Brampton's Spring Cleanup on Saturday, April 21 at Donald M. Gordon Chinguacousy Park.

For more information about the Trails & PathWays Guide, contact 905-874-2300. To register an individual, family or community group for Brampton's Spring Cleanup, call 905-874-2828.

About Brampton- Brampton is among Canada's largest cities, third in the Greater Toronto Area. Home to more than 430,000 residents representing 62 distinct cultures, Brampton enjoys an unparalleled diversity of ideas, skills and innovation from its citizens and business community. Brampton has earned the name "Flower City" for having the most acres of greenhouse space in Canada. In 2006, Brampton won the Best Blooming Community in Canada Award in the National Communities in Bloom (CIB) Competition. For more information visit www.brampton.ca

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