

COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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Happy Summer! Over the past few months and over the summer, I am meeting groups of local residents for neighbourhood walkabouts to identify local concerns like property standards and parking. Book your walkabout with me by emailing rowena.santos@brampton.ca

Based on these interactions, I have launched a new Road Report tool to help residents report trends in their area. Visit, CouncillorSantos.ca/RoadReport

As Chair of the Community Services section of Committee of Council, I'm excited to announce the launch of free recreation programs for seniors 65+. Visit CouncillorSantos.ca to learn more!



The Santos Youth Council's Earth Month cleanup at Andrew McCandless Park saw a record 400 youth and families take part. To keep the momentum going, we've partnered with local high schools like David Suzuki SS and Jean Augustine SS to offer students volunteer hours through regular cleanups of nearby parks.

We're celebrating everything Brampton has to offer this summer. In this edition, I am proud to spotlight Filipino Heritage Month in my Community Corner — read more inside!

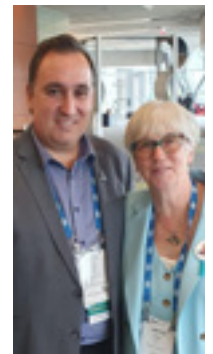
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Summer is here and the City of Brampton is buzzing with energy! I'm excited to share some upcoming events and updates with you, my neighbours.



The Brampton Farmers' Market is back, connecting residents with local food producers and vendors. From fresh fruits and vegetables to baked goods and quaint handmade crafts, the stalls lining the streets of downtown Brampton have something for everyone. Free parking is available on weekends. For more details and information about all upcoming events, visit experiencebrampton.com

In August, I'll be attending the 2025 AMO conference. This conference is an opportunity to advocate for Brampton's needs and highlight our City's priorities to Ministers and MPPs. Our previous discussions have been positive, with funding announced for the Hurontario LRT extension and other transit improvements, Riverwalk, Brampton's second hospital and more. Championing Brampton and ensuring we get our fair share remains a top priority.



AMO President Robin Jones

I hope to see many of you out and about this summer. As always, my team and I are available to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me by phone, email or via social media.

Paul Vicente
Regional Councillor, Wards 1 & 5



SEPTEMBER IS TREE MONTH

Join us in celebrating Brampton Tree Month this September with a variety of eco-friendly activities. Starting September 1, residents can register for a free tree to plant on their property — but hurry, quantities are limited!

You can also partake in a Tree Bike Tour on September 7, participate in the community tree planting at Gore Meadows on September 27 and explore self-guided tree walks in Dorchester and Conservation Drive Parks.

Children can also enter a colouring contest and artists of all ages are invited to submit tree-inspired artwork for a chance to win prizes. Visit brampton.ca/treemonth to learn more.



MAKING BRAMPTON ROADS SAFER

Brampton's Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) program is one of the largest in Canada, with 150 cameras currently deployed and plans to expand to 185 cameras in Community Safety Zones across the city. These cameras help reduce speeding and improve safety in key areas such as school zones, parks and other community spaces. By encouraging drivers to comply with posted speed limits, the ASE program plays a vital role in making roads safer for pedestrians, cyclists and all road users. For more information about the ASE program, visit brampton.ca/ASE



SWIM, SPLASH AND PLAY IN BRAMPTON THIS SUMMER

Stay cool and have fun this summer at over 18 splash pads across the city, perfect for children of all ages. Visit the popular wading pool at Chinguacousy Park, enjoy a swim in the scenic outdoor pool at Eldorado Park or soak up the sun at Professor's Lake.

You can also take advantage of free swims sponsored by Tim Hortons at select recreation centres. Before you go, be sure to check brampton.ca/summer-fun for hours of operation, facility updates and any weather-related closures.



IMAGINE YOUR IMPACT: SMALL ACTIONS. BIG DIFFERENCE. DON'T LITTER.

From April 1 to November 1, residents are invited to take part in the Parks Cleanup program. Whether you organize your own parks cleanup or join a scheduled community event, every effort helps keep Brampton clean and green.

Through the *Ready, Set, Collect* competition, residents can track their progress, earn points and challenge their neighbourhoods to a fun and rewarding way to give back. Help reduce litter, protect public spaces and strengthen community pride. Learn more and get involved at brampton.ca/litterreduction



SUMMER IN THE CITY

Make the most of your summer in Brampton with a season of culture, community and non-stop excitement! Enjoy free events, concerts, cultural festivals and outdoor adventure. Experience the best of what Brampton has to offer with movies under the stars, vibrant night markets, free community events and live music across the city. Whether you're planning a night out with friends or a weekend with the family, Brampton has everything you need for an unforgettable summer. With new events happening every week, discover more at experiencebrampton.ca

BUILDING A MORE VIBRANT DOWNTOWN

Exciting changes are happening in downtown Brampton! Supported by a dedicated investment of \$23.8 million through the 2025 City Budget, including the revitalization of Main and Queen Streets, featuring improvements to roads, sidewalks, lighting, street furniture and landscaping and the reconstruction of Ken Whillans Square.

Demolition of City-owned properties at 30 to 60 Main Street North is underway, marking a major milestone paving the way to create more vibrant and accessible public spaces. After the demolition, Garden Square will be temporarily expanded to create more usable space for the community and events while long-term plans for the Heritage Theatre and Southern Blocks move forward. Learn more at brampton.ca/downtown



NOISE CONCERNS IN THE COMMUNITY

Persistent or disruptive noise can impact the comfort and safety of residents. If the noise is caused by disputes or moving vehicles, report it to Peel Regional Police by calling **905.453.3311**. For emergencies, call **911**. For other noise issues on City property, call **311**.



GARBAGE & DEBRIS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

Be a good neighbour and remember to store waste bins in a secure location, keep the lids of the bin closed and avoid overfilling. Dumping garbage on public or private property is illegal and can lead to fines. Learn more at brampton.ca/bylaws



REPORT A PARKING INFRACTION

There's a right way to park – and a wrong way. If you notice a vehicle parked incorrectly on City property, help keep our streets safe and accessible by reporting it. Call 311 or visit brampton.ca/parking for more information.

PLANNING AN EVENT ON CITY PROPERTY?

Whether you're organizing a street festival, marathon or indoor gathering on City property, a Special Event Advisory Team (SEAT) application must be submitted 90 days prior to your public event. Follow our event planning guide to ensure your event is successful and safe. Visit brampton.ca/events for helpful resources.



PAYING YOUR ASE TICKET

Received an Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) ticket? You have 30 days from the deemed service date to pay or appeal. Pay online, by phone, in person or by mail. Include your ticket number when paying. Visit brampton.ca/asepayment for more information.



YOUR CITY. YOUR SAY. HELP SHAPE HOW THE CITY OF BRAMPTON CONNECTS WITH YOU!

How do you prefer to get City news and updates — by email, direct mail, social media, text alerts, at community events or another way? Your feedback helps us enhance how we share information and hear from you. Take the survey at brampton.ca/engage

GIVING STUDENTS WORK EXPERIENCE

Over the past few months, Councillor Santos welcomed three incredible co-op students to the team. Arpita and Taylor, from David Suzuki SS, are part of a special education program. They were supported by educational assistant Brianna. We were also grateful to have Phoenix from Cardinal Leger join us during her Grade 12 co-op. Their hard work and positive spirit made a lasting impact, especially in our local initiatives, like the Local Pulse.



LET’S KEEP BRAMPTON CLEAN & GREEN!

It’s the best time of year to enjoy Brampton’s beautiful parks and green spaces. Thank you to the many community groups and residents who organize litter cleanups in their neighbourhoods. We have amazing partners such as People Against Littering, who are always willing to lend a hand. Let’s keep Brampton beautiful and litter-free. To learn more about organizing a park cleanup, visit brampton.ca/cleanup



STRENGTHENING ECONOMIC TIES WITH PORTUGAL

We have signed an agreement between the City of Brampton and the Portugal-Canada Chamber of Commerce & Industry, following our Portuguese Heritage Month flag raising. This agreement aims to strengthen economic ties, support start-ups and bilateral investment between Brampton and Portugal. Present for the ceremonial signing were Members of Council together with Consul-General of Portugal in Toronto - Dr. Ana Luísa Riquito and Wilson Teixeira - Portugal-Canada Chamber of Commerce & Industry.



CITIZEN AWARDS

The City of Brampton hosted its annual Citizen Awards, celebrating remarkable individuals who make a difference in our community. Among the honourees, we proudly recognize outstanding residents from Wards 1 & 5 for their achievements and contributions. Nav Chhinzer, Superintendent of Peel Police won Citizen of the Year! Congratulations to all recipients in Wards 1 & 5: Nav Chhinzer, Troy Amos, Carrie Percival, REVIVE, Bethel Outreach Community Services, Tariq Khan, Harnek Rai, Pamela Dolphy, Eli Craig, Emily Chin, Nathan Chin and The JunCitan.



CELEBRATING OUR HERITAGE

In June, Brampton celebrated Pride, Indigenous History, Portuguese and Italian Heritage Month and Filipino Heritage Month. On June 8, we celebrated our annual Halo-Halo Party at City Hall, in partnership with numerous community groups. With over 20,000 Filipino residents, their contributions continue to enrich Brampton every day. Mabuhay!

ENGAGING WITH OUR SENIOR COMMUNITY LEADERS

As an advocate for seniors, I regularly meet with seniors’ clubs and their leadership to discuss important issues happening in the community. This is a key part of our collective efforts to make Brampton a better city. We value what seniors have to say and your opinions matter.



NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

As Chair of the Public Works and Engineering Section of Committee of Council, it was a joy to celebrate the people who keep our communities moving during National Public Works Week. This team manages facilities, makes our roads safer, ensures clean water and reliable infrastructure, it’s their behind-the-scenes work that builds and maintains what we depend on. Thank you to all our hardworking Public Works and Engineering staff!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Brampton Concert Band Thursday Night Concerts | **June 5 to September 4** | Gage Park Gazebo

Mount Pleasant Village Night Market | **July 3 to August 28** | Mount Pleasant Village Square

Carabram | **July 11, 12 & 13** | Various Locations

Brampton Fiesta Extravaganza | **July 11 to 13** | Chinguacousy Park

Vibrant Brampton | **July 18 to 20** | Gage Park

Chutneyfest | **July 26** | Gage Park

Jambana, the Emancipation Day Celebration | **August 4** | Chinguacousy Park

Hockey Night in Brampton | **August 20** | CAA Centre

Jamaica Day | **August 23 & 24** | Brampton Sports Park

World of Jazz Festival | **September 6 & 7** | Gage Park

Garba | **September 12** | Chinguacousy Park

Latin Fest | **September 13** | Gage Park



This is a selection of events, to see the full list visit experiencebrampton.ca 

CHECK OUT

CITY MATTERS

 **BRAMPTON**



Sign up to City Matters to stay up to date with the latest news and events happening in YOUR city.



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