### **BRAMPTON**

## COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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Dear friends and neighbours,

As summer settles in and our city comes to life with festivals, farmers markets and neighbourhood events, I'm excited to connect with you through this edition of our newsletter. Summer is a time for community, connection and celebration – and I'm proud of the work being done to enhance the places we live, work and play.

From park improvements and road repairs to youth programs and local business support, your Brampton City Council is committed to ensuring a vibrant summer for everyone. In this issue, you'll find updates on upcoming events, important city projects and ways to stay active and involved.

I want to thank all the residents who attended my recent town hall meeting where the Peel Regional Police shared updates on crime prevention and road safety; our Bylaw staff presented new proactive strategies to improve enforcement; and our Planning & Development staff updated us on applications for 507 and 700 Balmoral Drive. If you would like a summary of these presentations and updates, please contact my office.

I want to remind all drivers to be mindful when traveling on our residential streets and to watch for small children when playing in our neighbourhoods throughout the summer months.

Thank you for your continued engagement and enthusiasm. We hope to see you out enjoying everything our city has to offer this season!

I hope you and your family have a safe and wonderful summer ahead – take care!

Pat Fortini

Dear residents,

I am excited to reach out and share some of the wonderful things happening in our community. After a long winter and a lively spring, this is the perfect time to enjoy all that our city has to offer during the summer months ahead.

From outdoor concerts and farmers' markets to family movie nights in the park and sports leagues, there's truly something for everyone. Our local parks and trails are in full bloom and community centres are buzzing with programs and events designed to bring neighbours together.

Here are just a few highlights to look forward to this summer:

- Canada Day Event a day of music, food and fun for the whole family
- Weekly Summer Markets Saturdays in downtown Brampton and Thursdays in Mount Pleasant Village Square
- Outdoor Movie Nights bring your blanket and enjoy a classic film under the stars!
- Youth & Senior Programs offered at our community centres - check the schedule for details

I also want to remind you that summer is a great time to explore our city's green spaces and support local businesses. Whether you're gardening in your backyard, enjoying a patio lunch or participating in a neighbourhood cleanup, your involvement helps make our city vibrant and welcoming.

As always, if you have any questions, concerns or ideas for how we can improve our community, my door is open. Let's make this summer one to remember—together. Wishing you a safe and healthy season!

**Rod Power** 



## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS STARTS WITH YOU!

Emergencies can happen anytime, anywhere. Being prepared can make all the difference. Act now and start assembling a 72-hour emergency kit with essentials like water, food, medications and important documents. Then, make a plan and learn about the risks in your area. Everyone has a role to play in an emergency and building preparedness habits today helps ensure a safer tomorrow. Smart planning speeds up recovery and reduces stress during emergencies. Don't wait until it's too late. Get informed and take action. To learn how you can be emergency ready, visit **brampton.ca/prepared** 



### ENHANCING PUBLIC SAFETY WITH STOP THE BLEED® KITS

The City has introduced Stop the Bleed® kits at City Hall, Cassie Campbell and Gore Meadows community centres as part of a pilot project. Positioned beside AEDs, the kits include tools like tourniquets to help control life-threatening bleeding.

Stop the Bleed® is a global initiative that empowers bystanders to respond to serious injuries, similar to CPR for cardiac arrest. Brampton is one of the first municipalities in Ontario to launch this program, reinforcing the City's strong commitment to community safety.

#### 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** 





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

From April 1 to November 1, residents are invited 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** 



## IS YOUR SMOKE ALARM STILL WORKING FOR YOU?

Did you know that smoke alarms don't last forever and must be replaced every 10 years to keep your home and family safe? Check the date on your smoke alarm and replace it if it is expired or showing signs of malfunction, like frequent false alarms, chirping or failure to respond during testing. When replacing smoke alarms, ensure the new alarms provide the same level of protection as the existing ones. Regular maintenance and timely replacement save lives. Stay fire safe and informed. Learn more at **brampton.ca/smokealarms** 

## CITY PARK UPGRADES & ENHANCEMENTS UNDERWAY

The City has launched an enhanced Parks and Recreation Construction Map to keep you informed about new and ongoing upgrades in your community. This easy-to-use interactive tool provides up-to-date information on current, upcoming and completed projects across the city. From park upgrades to new recreational facilities, each project is designed to improve access to high-quality, inclusive amenities. Check out the latest developments in your neighbourhood at brampton.ca/parksplanning and learn how these improvements are shaping a vibrant and active Brampton for all.



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## 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** 



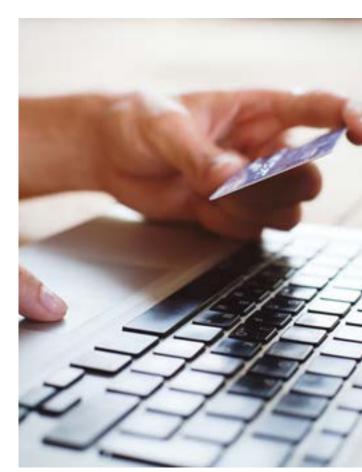
## REPORT A PARKING INFRACTION

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.



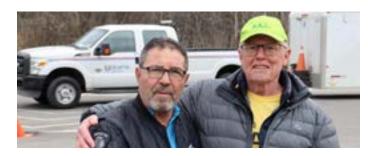
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How do you prefer to get City news and updates — by email, direct mail, social media, text alerts, at community events or another way? Your feedback helps us enhance how we share information and hear from you. Take the survey at **brampton.ca/engage** 

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I was so happy to join my Council colleagues and Osler Health for the important groundbreaking of Brampton's second hospital at Peel Memorial, a site that has supported our community for 100 years. With a \$2.3 billion investment from the Province and \$81.1 million in City reserves, this new hospital will bring expanded health care services to meet the needs of Brampton's growing population.



I was happy to join in a local park cleanup with Bill Godfrey from the People Against Littering (P.A.L.) organization. His amazing team is active throughout Brampton and are always working hard to make our city litter-free, safer and kinder! Be a PAL this summer and help keep our city clean!



In December 2024, Brampton City Council approved renaming Watchman Park to Norman Duncan Park to honour a long-standing farming family with deep roots in the community. The Duncans settled in Toronto Gore Township, known today as Ward 8, in 1881. Norman Duncan served on Township Council from 1946 to 1953, including as Reeve. This renaming recognizes their 140-year legacy in Brampton. The park features a playground, shade shelter, multi-purpose pad and open green space -- perfect for all to enjoy!



A wonderful turnout at this year's Easter food drive – over 634 families received food and essentials! A big thank you to Joanne Chrobot, President of the Basket Brigade Canada, for leading this incredible and compassionate initiative in our community.



Brampton Council visited the City's new Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) Processing Centre at 175 Sandalwood Parkway West. This modern facility represents a major investment in road safety, supporting the City's ASE program with 42 new positions and increased capacity to process enforcement data. With 185 cameras planned by summer 2025, Brampton is taking a proactive approach to safer streets.



As part of the City's 2025 Budget, \$25 million has been allocated to deliver a year-round cricket facility at Earnscliffe Park. This new project will include a turf field, a five-lane batting cage and a seasonal dome, giving players of all ages and skill levels year-round access.

## ADDRESSING FOOD INSECURITY

I am actively addressing food insecurity in our community by hosting monthly free fresh food markets. Food insecurity is a serious problem that affects many families. It's more important than ever to find ways to help people get food and support those who are struggling.

















#### **SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH**

Initiatives like City Hall school tours, food for school programs and celebrating accomplishments can help young people. Youth engagement benefits both the youth and the community.







## SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY & LOCAL BUSINESSES

Local businesses are the backbone of our communities. They boost the economy, create jobs and give our neighbourhoods their unique feel. It's important to recognize and celebrate what they do to help them grow and ensure the local economy thrives.



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#### **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** 





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