

City of Brampton | Fall 2023 Edition

COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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As your Regional Councillors, we are happy to provide updates to Wards 3 & 4 on issues that we know are important to you and your families, after a busy summer of meeting with residents, attending events and supporting initiatives across our wards.

Brampton City Council was proud to join the annual **Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)** conference hosted in London, Ontario, in August. It was a great opportunity to meet with government ministers, officials, and municipal leaders from across the province to work together to advance Brampton's priorities, which include getting shovels in the ground on vital projects such as a second full-service hospital and a new Cancer Care Centre at Brampton Civic Hospital, attainable housing and growth management, regional connectivity via transit, Riverwalk, economic development and more. We are steadfast in taking advantage of every advocacy and collaboration opportunity towards securing a bold and bright future for Brampton.

We are also thrilled with the progress made towards implementing the **Residential Rental Licensing (RRL) Pilot Program**. Council recently received a report from staff that outlined the RRL pilot program scheduled to launch in January 2024. The report details a strong program that will address problematic rental properties and ensure landlord and tenant responsibilities are made clear through an information guide that aligns with the City's property standards by-laws. City staff are now working on community engagement through an awareness campaign. We encourage you to review the report at www.brampton.ca, and contact us with your feedback to let us know your thoughts on the Residential Rental Licensing Program. Staff are scheduled to return to Council with a final report at the end of the year.

Without a doubt, speeding is one of our biggest concerns in Wards 3 & 4, and as we work at the City to increase the installation of speed reducing measures such as Automated Speed Enforcement cameras and speed cushions in our neighbourhoods and into our road safety plans, we also encourage you to report dangerous driving to **Peel Regional Police's Road Watch Program**. The Road Watch Program addresses driving complaints such as erratic driving, school bus violations, and neighbourhood traffic related issues. Peel Regional Police analyze Road Watch data and allocate resources accordingly. As students are back at school, please slow down and help keep our roads safe.

Lastly, a big thank you to all of the residents who attended the star-studded second annual **Hockey Night in Brampton**, in August. Team Gilmour led by Captain John Tavares faced off against Team Clark led by Captain Mark Giordano in the charity hockey game that raised \$1,000,000 for Brampton's second hospital and \$100,000 for the John Tavares Foundation, making it one of the largest charity hockey games in Canada!

As your representative for Wards 3 & 4, we look forward to speaking with you regarding any concerns or ideas you may have to improve our community. We encourage you to contact us at martin.medeiros@brampton.ca and dennis.keenan@brampton.ca

Regards,

Handwritten signatures of Martin Medeiros and Dennis Keenan.

Martin Medeiros & Dennis Keenan



CONTACTING SERVICE BRAMPTON

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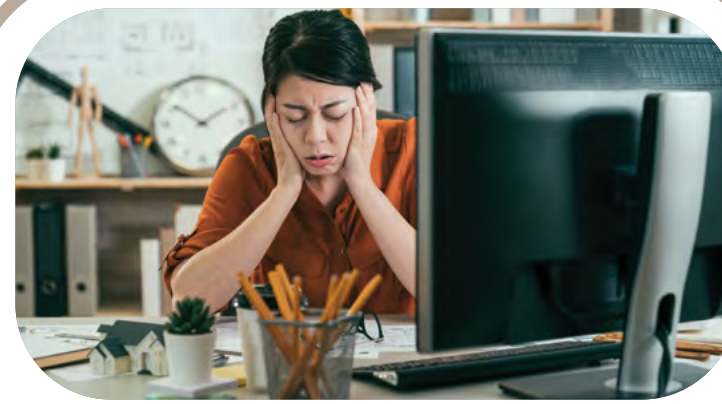
ADVANCE BRAMPTON FUND

Applications for the Advance Brampton Fund are now open to all Brampton-based non-profit and charitable organizations. The popular community grant program supports Brampton's non-profit sector by providing grants through three funding streams: New and Small Projects (formerly Emerging), Developing Projects and Amplifying Projects. New this year and based on feedback from the community, matching funds are no longer required for the New and Small Projects stream, creating more opportunities for organizations to receive funding.

The City of Brampton recognizes the unique and valuable role that the non-profit sector plays in delivering programs and services that meet the needs of the community. Learn more about funding opportunities and apply today by visiting www.brampton.ca/abf

BUDGET 2024

Planning is underway for the City of Brampton's 2024 Budget. Building on this year's \$496 million investment in capital projects and a record contribution of \$134 million to reserves, we are continuing support for a second hospital and a new cancer care centre, along with key strategic priorities. Your input will help shape the 2024 Budget. Learn more at www.brampton.ca/budget



NOISE AND PUBLIC NUISANCE BY-LAWS

Be a courteous neighbour and keep excessive noise down. Under the City's Noise By-law, persistent and recurring noise that causes disturbances to other Brampton residents can be enforced. Under the updated Public Nuisance By-Law, excessive noise and emissions from motor vehicles and power devices are prohibited and regulated. To report excessive noise, residents can call 3-1-1, download the 311 app, or visit us online at www.brampton.ca. Learn more at www.brampton.ca/bylaws

BRAMPTON FORWARD: FAIR DEAL FOR INDEPENDENCE

On May 18, 2023, the Province of Ontario introduced Bill 112, Hazel McCallion Act, to make Brampton, Caledon, and Mississauga single-tier municipalities and dissolve the Region of Peel by January 1, 2025. The provincial government has established a five-member transition board to facilitate this change and oversee Peel's financial affairs to ensure prudent financial stewardship until the Region is dissolved. The City of Brampton looks forward to independence and discussions with the Province of Ontario and our regional partners on the division of services like police, paramedics, waste management, and other supports for our rapidly growing city. To learn more, visit www.brampton.ca/bramptonforward



RECEIVED A PENALTY NOTICE?

The City is now offering a faster and more flexible process for payment, dispute, and collection of penalties!

Effective this October, through the Administrative Penalty System (APS), individuals can:

1. pay the Penalty Notice online, by telephone, in-person, mail, or contacting 311
2. request a review by a Screening Officer

Previously, individuals disputed penalty notices in person. To learn more, or to pay or dispute a penalty notice, visit www.brampton.ca/courtservices



KEEPING PETS SAFE DURING THE COLD

Be a responsible pet owner and protect your pets from the cold. Remember:

- If it's too cold for you, it's too cold for your pet.
- Don't leave your pets in the car.
- Wash and dry your pet's paws and stomach to clean off ice, salt and chemicals.
- Keep your dogs on a leash.
- Don't shave your pet down to the skin in winter – fur provides warmth.
- The cold can result in frostbites, hypothermia, and death. Keep them indoors.

Learn more at www.brampton.ca/animalservices



SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM MAINTENANCE TIPS

House fires can be devastating, causing a great deal of property damage and putting your family at risk. Maintenance ensures your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms keep you safe.

- Install working smoke alarms on every storey of your home and outside all sleeping areas.
- Install working carbon monoxide alarms beside all sleeping areas.
- Test alarms monthly.
- Replace alarms that are 10 years old or older.
- Replace batteries at least once a year.

Learn more at www.bramptonfire.com

SNOW REMOVAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The City of Brampton has a financial assistance program for seniors and physically challenged homeowners to help with costs for removing snow from sidewalks and driveways. The grant provides \$300 for non-corner lot properties or up to \$400 for corner lot properties with sidewalks. To learn more, visit www.brampton.ca/snowgrant



PERMITS REQUIRED TO DISPLAY SIGNS

Permits must be requested to display signs on buildings or in the ground in Brampton. All signs, temporary or permanent, are regulated to help keep pedestrians and drivers safe from distractions and avoid visual clutter in the city. To request a permit to display a sign, visit www.brampton.ca/signs



FIREWORKS BAN

Under the Fireworks By-law, the use, purchase, discharge, possession, display, sale, and offer to sell of fireworks is strictly prohibited in Brampton. Penalties for failing to comply range from \$500 to \$1,000 and may reach up to \$100,000 if a court summons is issued. The City is dedicated to creating an inclusive environment. Residents are invited to celebrate Canada Day, Diwali, and New Year's Eve at City-led events with Pyrotechnics. Learn more at www.brampton.ca/fireworks



ACCESSIBLE PARKING

As the City continues to develop and expand, the number of people requiring barrier-free parking also increases. Access to accessible parking is important for people with disabilities to be able to enjoy services and facilities. Accessible Parking Permits are issued free of charge to qualified individuals through the Province of Ontario. Under the Traffic By-law, owners and operators of businesses are required to provide for and maintain accessible parking spaces. Learn more at www.brampton.ca/accessibility





Councillor Medeiros and Councillor Keenan walking in the beautiful procession for the Festa of Sr. Santo Cristo with Our Lady of Fatima Parish (September 2023).



Councillor Medeiros at Making Waves Swim School's announcement of receiving B Corp Certification (June 2023).



Councillor Medeiros meeting with Elder Help to discuss seniors needs in Brampton (August 2023).



Councillor Medeiros meeting with Vinay Tailor, founder of Inspirely Education (February 2023).



Councillor Medeiros meeting with Imam Waleed from Noon Academy (June 2023).



Councillor Medeiros touring Sheridan College's Youth Summer Camps (August 2023).



Councillor Keenan speaking with participants of the Parkinson Canada SuperWalk at Susan Fennell Sportsplex, in support of people living with Parkinson's (September 2023).



Councillor Keenan attending a joyous Teeyan Da Mela event, at the Henry Verschuren Park in Ward 4 (August 2023).



Councillor Keenan congratulating winners at the Brampton Minor Lacrosse Association's Awards Banquet, with Ron Evans, Mayor Brown and Chris Lowe (September 2023).



Councillor Keenan touring the Skills Ontario Summer Camp at Sheridan College Davis Campus (July 2023).



Councillor Keenan and his children at the Eldorado Park cleanup with People Against Littering volunteers, Bill Godfrey and MP Sonia Sidhu (July 2023).

CITY EVENTS

FRIGHT NIGHTS
October 20, 21, 27, 29

PUMPKIN PARTY
November 1

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES AND PARADES
November 5 & 11

DIWALI CELEBRATION
November 12

WINTER LIGHTS FESTIVAL
November 17 & 18

NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION
December 31

COMMUNITY EVENTS

WELLNESS SPRING WALK AND CAR SHOW
October 1

WORLD JUNIOR GIRLS GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP
October 2-7

ULTIMATE CANADA UNIVERSITY CHAMPIONSHIPS
October 13-15

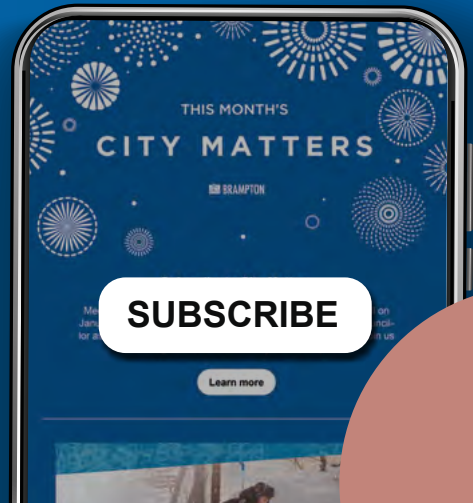
CRUISERS CUP
November 3-5

This is a selection of events, to see the full list visit www.brampton.ca/events

CHECK OUT CITY MATTERS



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