#### City of Brampton | Spring 2023 Edition

# **COUNCIL NEWSLETTER**

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Dear residents of Wards 9 & 10,

We would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank each and every one of you for voting for us during this past election. Since the beginning of this new term, we have been hard at work raising the concerns you shared when we were going door-to-door throughout our campaign.

One of our joint goals was to ensure that our City receives funding from our provincial government to help bring more post-secondary education to our residents locally. We are ecstatic to have secured a partnership with Toronto Metropolitan University through their recent announcement confirming that the City of Brampton will be home to their new School of Medicine. More information on this announcement can be found in our middle spread of this newsletter.

Another one of our main goals has been to remain accessible to our residents. Our offices have responded to 600+ calls, emails, messages and general inquiries since December 2022. We look forward to continuing to serve our residents throughout the year.

As always, we are one call, email or message away. Feel free to reach out to us anytime -- we would be more than happy to assist you the best we can.

Warm wishes,

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City Council meetings take place every other Wednesday at 9:30 am. For more details, visit www.brampton.ca | 905.874.2000

# **CITY LANDS OPPORTUNITY**

A multi-purpose cricket facility is coming to Brampton. Located east of Kennedy Road South, west of Highway 410 and to the north of the 407 ETR, the lands owned by the City of Brampton were identified in the 2040 Vision with potential to advance the area as a regional destination. Thousands of responses were submitted from the City's survey to gauge interest and receive opinions on how the 45.3-hectare (112 acre) site should be developed. See the results of the survey and learn more about this exciting opportunity at www.brampton.ca/engage



#### **BRAMPTON FIREWORKS BY-LAW UPDATE**

The City of Brampton strictly prohibits the use, purchase, discharge, possession, display, sale and offer to sell of fireworks in Brampton. The safety of residents is the City's top priority, and the Fireworks By-law aims to mitigate the risk of injury and damage to property. 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 of Brampton is dedicated to creating an inclusive and welcoming environment. Residents are invited to celebrate Canada Day, Diwali and New Year's Eve at City-led events with pyrotechnics. For details, visit **www.brampton.ca/fireworks** 

#### **NEW! APPLY FOR** YOUR MARRIAGE LICENCE ONLINE

Marriage licence applications are now available online, 24/7. Previously, the City only accepted paper-based application. Marriage licences may be obtained by appointment or by walk-in service. Marriage licences are valid anywhere in Ontario for three months from the date of issue and are available from most municipalities in the province. Those getting married in Ontario must obtain a marriage licence before their ceremony. A licence cannot be issued after a ceremony has taken place. Civil marriage ceremonies are conducted at Brampton City Hall, Tuesday through Friday, during business hours. Learn more at www.brampton.ca/marriageservices





#### WELCOME TO BRAMPTON, **TMU SCHOOL OF MEDICINE!**

Earlier this year, the City of Brampton and Government of Ontario made a historical announcement regarding the location of the new Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU) School of Medicine. The school will be located right here in Brampton, at the Bramalea Civic Centre! The Civic Centre is strategically located within the City's health and life sciences cluster, making it a great win for our advocacy to secure fair and equitable health care for our residents. The school will open in 2025 and include 80 undergraduate seats and 95 postgraduate positions to ensure the next generation of health care practitioners can train locally in the city. It will make Brampton the home of a community-centric medical school focused on inclusivity, innovation, and primary care. This school will make Brampton the home to the first new medical school in the GTA in over a hundred years!

#### **2023 BUDGET - BUILDING A FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE**

In March 2023, City Council unanimously approved the 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets. The budget includes a \$496 million investment in Capital projects, and another record contribution of \$134 million to reserves. It focuses on expanding health care, supporting community safety and wellbeing, transitioning transit to green our fleet, investing in arts and culture, and enhancing and revitalizing our parks and recreation for youth, seniors and all to enjoy. It reflects input from the community from an extensive public engagement process, including a business virtual roundtable, two telephone town halls – with almost 14,000 households – and "coffee chats" in each of the ward pairings, as well as emails, phone calls and messages through Service Brampton and social media. Thank you to our residents and businesses for their input. More details are available at www.brampton.ca/budget



### **CITY SERVICES AT YOUR FINGERTIPS**

The City provides easy to access municipal services and information through the Brampton 311 mobile app and website. The app is available for download on Google Play and the App Store and provides mobile access to information, submissions and request tracking. Residents can reach Service Brampton quickly and easily through their smartphone, online or by calling 311. Customer service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, in more than 150 languages. In-person services are also available at multiple locations, visit www.brampton.ca for locations and hours.



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#### **BABY WILDLIFE IN THE SPRING**

Spring is mating and breeding season for many wildlife in Brampton. Please keep your distance from wildlife, especially young animals. Many times, parents will leave their babies to locate food and will return. If a human or pet is around their offspring, they may feel unsafe to return. Do not remove animals from their natural habitats. If you have questions, call 311. Learn more at **www.brampton.ca/animalservices** 

# MAINTAIN YOUR YARD

Help keep our beautiful city clean, green and safe year-round.

- Keep your yard free from all garbage and debris.
- Grass and weeds should be cut regularly (with clippings removed). If your grass is taller than a soccer ball, it's time to cut it.
- Do not dump waste items on someone else's property, along the roadside, or at another undesignated area.

Read more at www.brampton.ca/bylaws



# PARKING DOS AND DON'TS

- Do not park your vehicle on the street between 2 am and 6 am or for more than 3 hours.
- Do request a parking consideration to park on the street for up to 14 days each year, per vehicle licence plate.
- Do keep sidewalks clear. When vehicles overhang the sidewalk, they can be an obstacle and unsafe for others who walk or use a stroller on sidewalks.
- Do not park in a designated bike lane.

Learn more at www.brampton.ca/bylaws





#### **NOISE BY-LAW**

As residents spend more time outside, they are asked to 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. Be a courteous neighbour, do your part. Learn more at **www.brampton.ca/bylaws** 



### TORONTO METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY'S SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

The City of Brampton, Government of Ontario and Toronto Metropolitan University (formerly Ryerson University), announced that the City's Bramalea Civic Centre will be home to the new TMU School of Medical at 150 Central Park Drive.

This School of Medicine marks the first new medical school in the GTA in over 100 years and will make Brampton the home of a community-centric medical school focused on inclusivity, innovation and primary care!

The Government of Ontario announced its plans for expanding medical school education to build a stronger health care system, including adding 80 undergraduate seats and 95 postgraduate positions for the TMU School of Medicine when it opens in 2025.









#### MAGNA INTERNATIONAL EXPANDS IN BRAMPTON; 560 NEW JOBS IN WARDS 9 & 10!

In February, it was announced that Magna International will be opening a 490,000 sq. ft. facility at 100 Ace Drive — a new, state-of-the art build by Panattoni Developments

This investment will lead to the creation of 560 new jobs in Brampton. Magna International will be manufacturing battery trays for electric vehicles at the site, bolstering the city's world-class innovation and advanced manufacturing sectors.

The City's Economic Development Office has worked tirelessly to offer concierge service that removed red tape, expedited this investment, and promoted it with site selectors, and investors, on a national and international scale. This is a big win for the City of Brampton and for Wards 9 & 10 in particular!



# YOUR COUNCILLORS AT WORK









## CITY EVENTS

**PARKS CLEANUP** April 1 to November 1

EARTH DAY April 22

**COMMUNITY BIKE RIDES** May 28 to September 24

**BRAMPTON FARMERS' MARKET** June 10 to October 7

BRAMPTON CELEBRATES PRIDE June 4 BIKE THE CREEK June 10

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY June 22

CANADA DAY CELEBRATION July 1

#### COMMUNITY EVENTS

SIKH HERITAGE MONTH April 21-23

FESTIVAL OF LITERACY DIVERSITY April 30 to May 7

**RIB 'N' ROLL** May 26-28

LUSOFONIA June 2-4

**KITE FESTIVAL** June 3-4 HERITAGE SOUNDS OF MUSIC FESTIVAL June 16-18

CARABRAM July 7-9

VIBRANT BRAMPTON July 21-22

CHUTNEYFEST July 29-30

JAMAICA DAY August 26-27

WORLD OF JAZZ FESTIVAL September 9-10

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