

City of Brampton

COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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Dear friends,

As your representatives for Wards 3 & 4 at Brampton City Hall, we strive to work hard to protect your tax dollars from wasteful spending by ensuring full accountability and transparency. We demand that of our staff in all departments as well. The integrity and reputation of our municipality, and more importantly, the trust of our constituents, is something we take very seriously. We are committed to working hard for Wards 3 & 4 and to building a better Brampton for you and future generations.

Recently at Council, we unanimously moved motions directing City staff to create a program that supports small businesses as they reopen. Through enhanced marketing of the Support Local Brampton initiative and highlighting COVID-19 safety protocols being used by businesses, we are encouraging residents to safely return to approved in-person activities. We must keep supporting local and help in their recovery.

We have also directed City staff to report on a possible Centre for Sports Excellence housed at Susan Fennell Sportsplex (Formerly South Fletcher's Sportsplex) for Brampton Hockey. In addition, we have directed the City to send a letter to the federal government and local members of parliament in support of Ryerson University's proposal to create a Cyber Security Police Training College right here in Brampton.

COVID-19 continues to be a major factor in everyone's life. As we gradually begin to reopen, it is important to keep following Peel Public Health guidance and take safety precautions to protect yourself and your loved ones. Please continue to practice the core four behaviours: wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently, wear a mask, maintain physical distance, and get tested if you're feeling unwell.

Now that the summer is upon us, we hope you take this time to unplug and unwind. Stay safe and stay healthy.

Jeff Bowman

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COVID-19 UPDATE

Let's keep going toward full vaccination of Brampton residents – we are reaching important milestones in the collective fight against COVID-19, including good progress on first and second dose coverage, but we are not done yet. For the best protection, all eligible Brampton residents need to get fully vaccinated – this means taking the first step by getting a first dose and showing up for a second shot when eligible.

Brampton's case counts continue to decline thanks to your ongoing efforts! As of early July, 34.4% of Brampton residents have received at least one dose and 33% are fully vaccinated. Peel Public Health launched the "Real Peel, Real Voices" campaign that shares authentic and relatable stories from diverse Peel residents and local community leaders as vaccination ambassadors. The "Second Dose Coast to Coast challenge" also encouraged the move toward full vaccination – visit peelregion.ca. Also visit Brampton.ca to see our vaccine campaign and video > click COVID-19 updates (top left corner) > Vaccinate Brampton


**VACCINATE
BRAMPTON**
GET BACK TO BETTER

HEAT WARNING SAFETY TIPS

When temperatures are over 31°C or humidity is high, heat warnings are issued. Remember to:

- Stay indoors; limit exposure to sun
- When outdoors, choose shaded spots or City splash pads
- Avoid strenuous activities between 10 am and 4 pm when it's the hottest
- Eat well-balanced, light, regular meals and drink plenty of water
- Dress in loose-fitting, lightweight and light-coloured clothes
- Protect your face and head by wearing a wide-brimmed hat
- Never leave children or pets alone in a parked car
- Check on seniors, young children and those who may be vulnerable

Read more at brampton.ca/prepared



CELEBRATING SUMMER COMPANY YOUTH

The 2021 Summer Company program chose 11 young entrepreneurs from Brampton, including Ward 4's very own Joshua De Jesus who ran an online tutoring company and Hamidah Oderinwale who provided online marketing services for businesses. The program helps students set up a summer business through start-up money and mentoring.

Many of the businesses met the unique needs created by the pandemic. Armaan Sengupta offered virtual robotics building classes while Cameron Dunkerley provided online Lacrosse training. Meera Arambarajah sold handmade jewellery online. Matthew Bissoon produced personalized video gifts as a way to commemorate milestone events. Miwako Chang created instrumentals and an opportunity to join an online community of like-minded artists.

For a full listing of this year's students, please visit: brampton.ca/bec

WHAT'S ON DECK WITH REC

Say hello to summer! Get out and enjoy all of the great outdoor amenities Brampton has to offer. From golfing at Peel Village Golf Course, playgrounds, and splash pads to more than 40 km of guided and paved recreational trails throughout the city, there is something for everyone to enjoy.

Looking to beat the heat? Splash pads and wading pools are located all around Brampton and are a great way to have fun and stay cool. Physical distancing is required and residents are asked to self-assess for COVID-19 symptoms before attending.

Visit brampton.ca/summerfun for a complete list of amenities and program information, including hours, status updates and COVID-19 safety requirements.



WATERMAIN, SANITARY SEWER REPLACEMENT, ROAD REPAIRS AND RESURFACING PROJECT: WORK BEGINS AFTER SUMMER 2021

The Region of Peel is expecting to begin construction of a watermain and sanitary sewer replacement project in September 2021 which is necessary to address aging infrastructure. The Region of Peel and the City of Brampton will work together to keep everyone informed and aware of this work and we appreciate your patience as this necessary work is completed. The City's work will involve repaving the roadway once the watermain and sanitary work has concluded. For more information, please visit the Region of Peel peelregion.ca/downtownbrampton



Bylaw & Property Standards

Contractors are now required to complete a training course to get licenced through the City to discourage illegal construction on driveways. If you are looking to widen your driveway to create more parking space or beautifying with paving or stones, please check with the City to ensure you are not violating any by-laws.

As of June 2021, By-law Enforcement staff have resumed investigations into complaints of illegally widened driveways and have reinstated parking enforcement of all timed offences. Learn more at brampton.ca/drivewaypaving



Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE)

Last year, Brampton was one of the first municipalities in Ontario to implement Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) systems in the city. ASE cameras work in conjunction with other traffic calming measures including speed display boards, the expansion of Community Safety Zones (CSZ) and the continuous collaboration with Peel Regional Police to increase speed compliance, alter driver behaviours, and raise public awareness on the need to slow down. One of the most effective ways to deal with aggressive driving on local roadways is the Road Watch Program. The Road Watch program is a co-operative effort by the municipalities within the Region of Peel and Peel Regional Police, giving residents the opportunity to report dangerous and aggressive drivers. To submit a Road Watch report form, visit peel.police.ca.

The City of Brampton has 50 ASE cameras that it plans to rotate around 200 Community Safety Zones annually. ASE's have proven to be a great success and several roadways have experienced significant speed reductions. For example, Main St South (North of Frederick) has seen a reduction of 17.85km/hr and Ray Lawson Blvd (West of Berkingdale Crt) has reduced by 10.69km/hr.

ASE Camera locations in Ward 3 & 4

Although some locations appear to have had only a minimal impact they have been effective in dealing with sporadic speeding concerns in the area, and we will continue to work towards reducing speeds in these neighborhoods. Cameras will eventually be relocated, in order to address concerns on other roadways in Wards 3 & 4, and will continue to be rotated on a fixed schedule, eventually returning to the original locations.

ASE Camera Location	Ward	Average Speed (km/h) Before ASE Implementation	Average (km/h) ASE In Use	Difference (km/h)
Main St. S. - North of Frederick St.	3	62.57	44.72	-17.85
Ray Lawson Blvd. - West of Berkingdale Crt.	4	56.48	45.79	-10.69
Drinkwater Rd. - North of White Tail Cres.	4	48.12	38.61	-9.51
Torrance Woods - East of Cannon Cres.	4	43.73	36.07	-7.66
Charolais Blvd. - East of Duggan Dr.	4	54	46.99	-7.01
Elgin Dr. - near Gervais Cres.	4	47.65	41.39	-6.26
Sterritt Dr. - West of Drinkwater Rd.	4	41.42	36.21	-5.21
Centre St. S - South of John St.	3	44.14	39.17	-4.97
Lisa St. - North of Clark Blvd.	3	44.49	41.12	-3.37
McMurphy Ave. S. - South of Driscoll Dr.	3	45.34	42.19	-3.15
McMurphy Ave. S - South of Royce Gate	3	43.15	40.68	-2.47
Bartley Bull Pkwy. - North of Terra Cotta Cres.	3	38.24	37.21	-1.03
Guest St. - East of Beatty Ave.	3	31.83	33.48	1.65

For more information please visit brampton.ca/roadsafety

Martin Medeiros and Jeff Bowman touring the Sheridan CommUNITY Vaccine Clinic located at the Sheridan College Davis Campus.



Image from Sheridan's Twitter account @sheridancollege

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PARKING DO'S/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



NOISE BY-LAW

As residents safely spend more time outside, they are asked to keep excessive noise down. Under the City's Noise By-law, excessive noise that causes disturbances to other Brampton residents can be enforced. Be a courteous neighbour, do your part. Learn more at brampton.ca/bylaws



QUICK WAYS TO REACH 311 BRAMPTON ANYTIME

The 311 Service provides simple and direct access to all non-emergency municipal government information, programs and services provided by the City of Brampton and Region of Peel, 24/7.

Simply call 311, download the 311 app or visit us online at 311Brampton.ca. In-person services are also available by appointment only at brampton.ca/skiptheline



BRAMPTON FARMERS' MARKET IS GOING STRONG

Running Saturdays, 8 am to 1 pm until October 23, the Market is relocated to Gage Park, Ken Whillans Square and on Wellington Street West for the 2021 season. Free parking is available in the underground lot at City Hall. Visit brampton.ca/markets for full details.

SUMMER MOVIE DRIVE-IN

Join us for free, family-friendly movie drive-ins all summer long! Showtime is at 9 pm. Registration is required. Learn more at brampton.ca/recreation

FLOWER CITY COMMUNITY CAMPUS

Saturday, August 14: The Croods 2: A New Age

SESQUICENTENNIAL PARK

Friday, August 20: Captain Marvel

STOMP'N STAMPEDE

Garden Square presents the 7th annual Stomp'n Stampede! Join us for virtual celebrations on August 14 at 7 pm. Featuring Mainland Kitchen Band, Celtic Kitchen Party and a community "East Coast Pride" showcase! Learn more at brampton.ca/gardensquare

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