# **Events**

**RECREATION MONTH SENIORS MONTH** 

**THROUGHOUT JUNE** 

**SUMMER IN THE SQUARE** 

**JUNE - SEPTEMBER** 

**Garden Square** 

Watch for an exciting series of events, including cutural events, concerts, family activities and more!

#### **BRAMPTON MARKETS**

**JUNE - OCTOBER** 

**Downtown Brampton and** Mount Pleasant Village

**NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY** 

**JUNE 21** 

**Garden Square** 

PRIDE IN THE SQUARE

**JULY 7** 

**Garden Square** 

**CARABRAM** 

**JULY 12 - 14** 

carabram.org

**PLAY IN THE PARK** 

\*locations will vary

**JULY - AUGUST** 

\*Check for regular updates and more event information on www.brampton.ca







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### MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



As one of our first major tasks, this Council is proud to have delivered its first Budget with no increase in taxes on the City portion, and without compromising on delivering high-quality programs and services. We are making major investments in Transit and creating opportunities for economic growth. As Brampton builds out further in line with the 2040 Vision, continued investments will be required in future years to meet the growing needs of our

fast-growing population. Our priorities, responding to what you told us, on the campaign trail and through engagement opportunities have been established, and I trust you'll see the City starting to deliver on these in the pages of this newsletter.

Patrick Brown



## SAY NO TO **NUISANCE SIGNS**

You can report illegal promotional signs by calling 311 for them to be removed. Want to post a garage sale sign? Sure, use any of the 100 sign sleeves locations. Visit brampton.ca for details.

#### YARD MAINTENANCE

Long grass is unsightly and can attract rodents. Keep your grass cut short. To combat weeds without pesticides, cut your lawn more often, increase fertilizing and aerating, and cover your shrub areas with mulch.

f @Pat Fortini Brampton Councillor

#### RESPECT THE SPACE

If you are parking next to an accessible parking spot, stay clear of the area marked with yellow stripes. This additional space helps those with disabilities to get in and out of vehicles with ease.

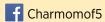
# **LIGHTHOUSE OPTIONS**

IN TIMES OF PUBLIC **EMERGENCY** 

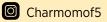
Led by the Brampton **Emergency Management** Office, the program works with local faith-based organizations that agree to open their facilities to the public for refuge during times of emergency. Program details can be found at www.brampton.ca.

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# COMMUNITY

**Pat Fortini** Regional Councillor WARDS 7 and 8



**Spring & Summer** 2019



**Charmaine Williams** City Councillor WARDS 7 and 8





As your elected Regional Councillor for Wards 7 & 8, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve and represent you both at the Regional and at City level. Together we have achieved many positive results, however, we still have a lot more work to do.

The City of Brampton is undergoing amazing growth with an innovative plan for the future. I am committed to focusing on key priorities for maintaining and building a strong infrastructure and providing valuable services in Brampton, as well as building a vibrant community, improving livability, focusing on local education and employment opportunities.

During the last Term of Council, I advocated for the renovation of Howden Community Centre to a 58,000 sq. ft. facility and the expansion and renovation of Balmoral Recreation Centre to 30,000 sq. ft. Mayor Brown and I put forward a motion in Council to move forward with the Victoria Park Arena demolition, which will allow for a fresh, new structure. I have also advocated for the renovation of the Pearson Theatre to a new state-of-the-art building.

I encourage you to connect with me on issues in your neighbourhood or matters that impact our city. Your concerns. suggestions and advice continue to inspire me to work with you to build a stronger community.

Pat Fortini



During my first 130 days, as your City Councillor, I have been privileged to advocate on your behalf the important issues in our community: opting out of cannabis retail stores in Brampton and presenting a gun buyback program. Over 2,670 ward 7 & 8 residents signed petitions to opt out of cannabis stores; over 3,000 indicated support for the gun buyback program.

The single greatest issue surrounding retail cannabis stores was that it was based on a poor financial deal offered to Brampton. Twenty-five GTA municipalities will receive approximately \$150 million less than the real cost of regulating and policing cannabis sales. While provincial and federal level decisions have put cities in a difficult position, I will continue to advocate for enhanced bylaw and public safety for our residents.

I brought the concept of a Brampton-based gun buyback program to help Peel Regional Police. While Council moved instead for more research on gun violence, I am still working on your behalf to find ways to fund an alternate community-led buyback program, and welcome your suggestions.

Moving forward, I am proud to be part of the council that is bringing residents a 0% tax increase this year. I'm excited to be part of an upcoming special healthcare project with the Mayor and Council. I encourage your feedback on Victoria Park arena and welcome your thoughts on community safety!

Charmaine Williams





New Brampton residents are invited to join free, family-friendly bus tours this summer to learn about City facilities, services and history. During the three-hour tour, participants will visit a community centre to explore about recreation opportunities, a Brampton Library branch to discover the many resources available, and ride a Brampton Transit bus to find out about the City's transit map, PRESTO fare cards and more. The tours are informative and entertaining, with quizzes and prizes along the way to keep things educational and fun. For more information, contact the Brampton Library at 905.793.4636 or visit any Brampton Library branch.



Brampton is actively moving forward with initiatives to create jobs and promote innovation and entrepreneurship within the city.

Two initiatives that the City is launching in collaboration with Ryerson University deserve special mention: the pilot incubator space and Cybersecure Catalyst.

The Ryerson-led incubator and collaborative workspace, located in downtown Brampton at 41 George Street, will support emerging start-ups.

Ryerson's Cybersecure Catalyst will be a national centre for cybersecurity, offering training and certification, research and development, and commercial innovation in the critical field of cyber security. It will help build Brampton's reputation as a global player in this exciting space.



### for Hate Crime Victims in Brampton

The City of Brampton has partnered with Peel Regional Police to support its Safe Place program. This initiative provides a secure location for victims of hate-motivated crimes and incidents in the LGBTQ+ community to report the hate-motivated crime and to get the assistance they need with compassion and dignity.

Under the program, publicly accessible City of Brampton buildings will be designated as 'safe places' and will visibly display a symbolic decal at the main entrances. The decal will serve to notify hate-motivated crime victims that the facility and its staff stand ready to provide them with shelter and with assistance in contacting the police.

The City's participation in such programs contributes to our collective efforts to make Brampton a safer, more secure and inclusive place for all.

PeelPolice.ca/SafePlace



Do you live in a rented property? Did you know that the City's Zoning By-law prohibits more than three lodgers or boarders from residing together in one dwelling unit? These rules are in place to ensure suitable living conditions and to avoid overcrowding which could pose various risks to your health and safety.

When searching for rental listings, if the unit you plan to rent is a basement apartment, make sure the unit is legal. Check the webpage www.brampton.ca/secondunits to see if the rental property is registered with the City.



# **ROAD RESURFACING - - - - -**

Each spring, the City begins its road resurfacing program, which involves repairing roads across Brampton based on the condition and age of the pavement. Road resurfacing involves grinding out and repaving the road surface. At the same time, repairs are done to concrete curbs, sidewalks and catch basins. It takes about six weeks to complete each street.

This year, the City expects to resurface about 40 streets. These projects, along with a full list of other road construction projects happening in Brampton this year, is available at www.brampton. ca/roadworks. Projects are updated as the status of construction changes.

# INVESTING IN THE CIVIC CENTRE

Exciting developments are underway at one of Brampton's most popular facilities - the Brampton Civic Centre. In February, the City's first in-person Service Brampton Centre outside of City Hall opened for business, providing access to municipal information and services. Residents can register for recreation programs, pay parking tickets, buy theatre tickets and more at this new location.

Renovations are underway at the Lester B.
Pearson Theatre to enhance accessibility and health and safety features, upgrade technical equipment, and create a more attractive, welcoming space. A redesigned lobby area, will make the theatre a more appealing venue, and serve as a community gathering place. The theatre is expected to reopen in Fall 2019.

# PARKS AND TRAILS IMPROVEMENTS



We have a lot of parks upgrades taking place in our ward this summer, including:

- Construction of the Chinguacousy Park veteran's memorial
- Upgrades to the Chinguacousy Park throwing area (athletic and accessibility)
- A new full-size cricket field in the Dixie/407 area
- Upgrades to the Harrison cemetery gateway
- Knightsbridge tennis court upgrades
- Chinguacousy Park playground and splash pad upgrades
- Jordan Park playground will be getting new equipment
- Pathway replacements at Maitland Park and Hilldale Park

### BRAMALEA MOBILITY HUB STUDY –



Planning is currently underway for the **Bramalea** GO station Mobility Hub. The Bramalea Mobility Hub, includes the Bramalea GO Station and surrounding area within an 800 metre radius that can be comfortably accessed by foot. Mobility Hubs are areas where different modes of transportation come together seamlessly. According to the Bramalea Mobility Hub Land Use Study, over the medium and long-term, there will be opportunity to accommodate higher density office, and potentially residential uses, subject to further study. The Study has recommended the highest densities and office uses for lands generally around the Bramalea-Steeles intersection, and a mix of office and prestige industrial uses within the adjacent areas. No change is anticipated over the medium term with respect to existing industrial uses on lands that are farther out and have minimal exposure to the intersection.