

## Planning and Infrastructure Services

## PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

Status Update #5 - August 9, 2016



The following is a general overview of events and tasks associated with the Parks and Recreation Master Plan for your information. Questions or comments can be directed to the Project Team at <a href="mailto:PRMP@brampton.ca">PRMP@brampton.ca</a>

With the majority of the public and stakeholder consultation now complete, the consultant team is turning their attention to the analysis stage of the project. The project team are taking stock of what was learnt and communicated through the background and consultation phases and assessing the recreation programming and facility usage data to initiate preliminary recommendations.

- COMPLETION OF PHASE 1 'BACKGROUND' PAPER In early May, Monteith Brown delivered their 1<sup>st</sup> project 'deliverable' a background document reporting on the City's demography, trends and influences that would/could affect Brampton in the field of parks and recreation, and chronicling inventories of parks, sports and recreation infrastructure. Staff reviewed and provided comments on the document. The final document was provided by the consultant in July 2016. It has been posted on the Parks and Recreation Master Plan portal page here.
- COMPLETION OF PHASE 2 'BACKGROUND' PAPER In June, Monteith Brown delivered to us their 2<sup>nd</sup> project deliverable a document that articulates the prevalent themes and findings from the PRMP's initial consultation efforts through the public surveys, public meetings, stakeholder workshops, One-on-One meetings, and POP-UP Events throughout the city. Staff reviewed and provided comments on the document. The final document was provided by the consultant in June 2016. It too has been posted on the Parks and Recreation Master Plan portal page <a href="here">here</a>.
- <u>DATA COLLECTION/MAPPING</u> Staff continue to work with the consultant in the collection of data on parks, buildings, facility usage and programming for later use in preparing facility and programming recommendations. This aspect of the project has had some challenges and staff is endeavouring to work through these issues. The recreational facilities maps are currently being prepared by Planning and Infrastructure Services GIS staff and are expected to be completed by the end of August. It is anticipated that preliminary directions/recommendations will be prepared to test with Council.
- <u>CITIZEN PANEL MEETING</u> On June 28, 2016, the City of Brampton hosted the second of four scheduled Citizen Panel meetings as part of its Parks and Recreation Master Plan. At this second meeting, 10 Citizen Panel members were provided with an overview of the engagement process to date and the project team's summaries and key messages from that process. See <u>overview presentation</u>. Following these presentations, Citizen Panel members engaged in a facilitated discussion guided by a series of focus questions. The minutes from this meeting have also been

posted on the Parks and Recreation Master Plan portal page <a href="here">here</a>. The next Citizen Panel Meeting will occur following the Council Workshop meeting (i.e. after September 26, 2016 - see below).

- <u>CAO UPDATE</u> Staff had the opportunity to meet the new City of Brampton CAO (Harry Schlange) and provided him with an update on the progress of the project to date.
- COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING On September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016, staff and the consultant team will host a workshop with Council and its Executive Leadership Team to review the process and findings, to date, and discuss preliminary directions/recommendations. The meeting is intended to be informal but will provide the opportunity for staff and Council to have an open discussion. Following the workshop, the project team will work to finalize its preliminary Phase 3 recommendations and embark on a further Stakeholders Workshop, to be scheduled in October 2016.

## **UPCOMING WORK/EVENTS**

- Data and Mapping Refinements (Staff)
- Undertaking of 3<sup>rd</sup> project deliverable *Phase 3 Facilities and Program Development Plan* (Consultant)
- Preparation for Council Workshop on September 26<sup>th</sup> (Staff and Consultant)
- Steering Committee Meeting September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (Staff and consultant)
- Scheduling of 3<sup>rd</sup> Citizen Panel Meeting TBD
- Scheduling of Stakeholders' Workshop TBD

<u>PORTAL PAGE</u> - The dedicated portal page has been updated and reflects the latest details on the project. Please find link <u>here</u>.

Any questions or comments regarding the above or the Parks and Recreation Master Plan can be directed to
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