

LET'S CONVECT

PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

Parks and Recreation Master Plan Stakeholders' Meeting

In May 2016, the PRMP Project Team hosted a series of workshops with Brampton sports and recreation groups to discuss the planned development of a Parks and Recreation Master Plan for Brampton. The Team listened to the inputs of the groups who attended those meetings and made a promise - to return back to the Stakeholders with its preliminary recommendations, before the plan was finalized and presented to Council for endorsement.

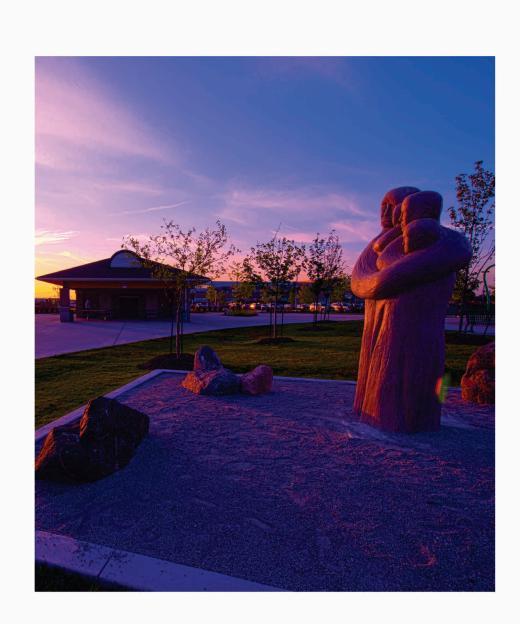
Tonight we hope to provide you with an update and an overview of the directions we will propose to table to Council in June. We look forward to your input and feedback.



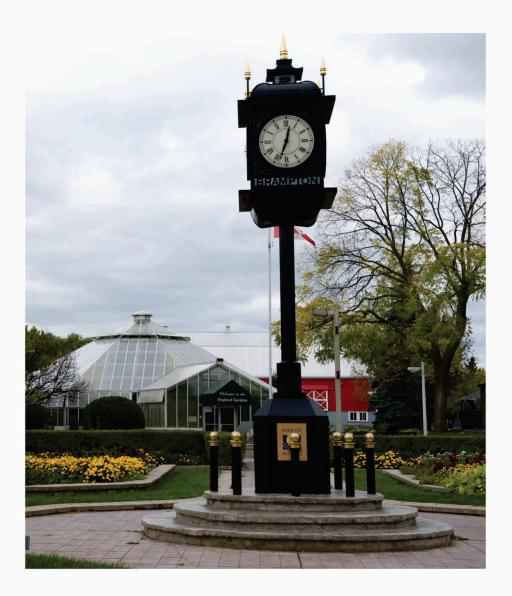


Purpose of the Master Plan

- Long-range planning document to guide the City's parks, recreation, and sport system until the year 2031 with periodic updates to reconfirm recommendations
- Assists with annual budgeting, preparation of Development Charges studies, and implementation of other Master Plans and guiding documents
- Serves as a building block and a point of departure for additional work to take place
- Helps parks, recreation and sport services to keep pace with population growth and emerging interests











- ✓ Parkland and open space
- Arenas and outdoor rinks
- Indoor and outdoor aquatics
- Community centres
- Gymnasiums
- Fitness services
- Sports fields
- Basketball and tennis courts
- Skateboard parks and playgrounds





Master Plan Approach

- The PRMP is based on a philosophy of:
 - Employing an 'Evidence-Based' Approach
 - Considering a broad range of inputs to support assessments and recommendations
 - Listening, Learning, Analyzing and Listening Again
- PRMP Timeline

Jan. 2016

Project
Kick-off

March 2016 – June 2016

COMMUNITY INPUT

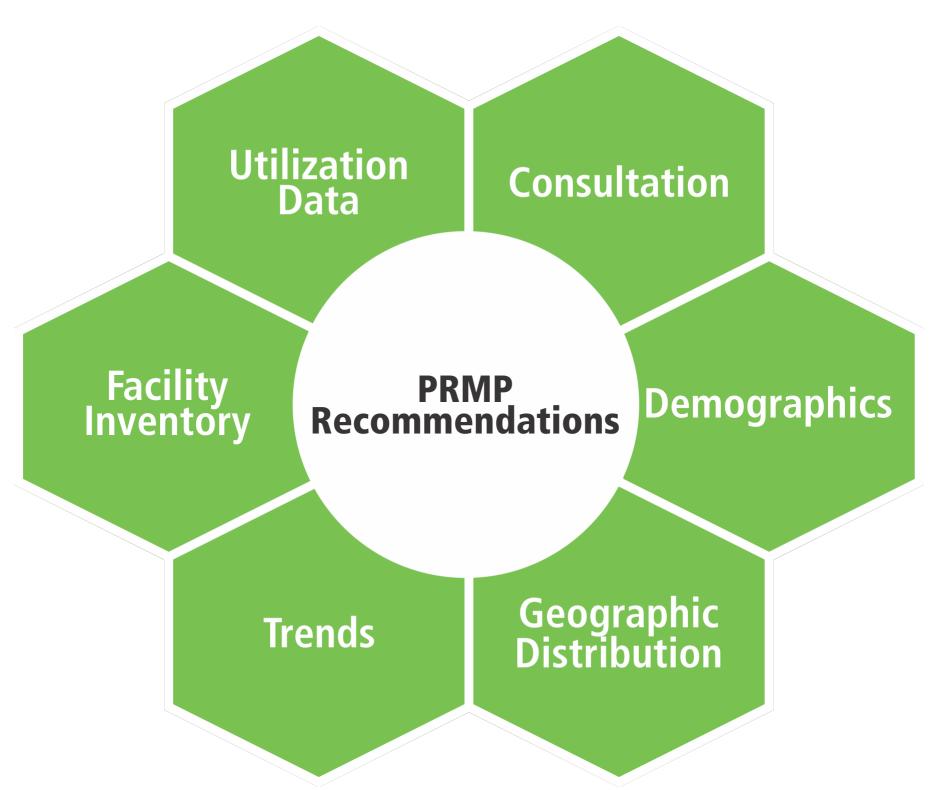
City Council Consultation
Citizen Panel Consultation
Stakeholder Consultation
Public Consultation
City Staff Consultation

Sep. 2016 – Jan. 2017

INTERIM REPORTING

City Council Workshop
Citizen Panel Consultation
Interim Report & Revisions

Master Plan Inputs



April 2017 – May 2017

DRAFT PRMP & FEEDBACK

Preliminary Recommendations
City Council Interviews & Status Update
Stakeholders Meeting (today)

Public Open Houses (May 29 and 31, 2017)
Citizen Panel Meeting

BACKGROUND RESEARCH

Community Demographics
Trends & Benchmarking
Facility & Program Inventory
Document Reviews

February 2016 – March 2016

PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENTS

Parkland & Open Space Needs Recreation Facility Needs Program & Service Needs

July 2016 – August 2016

IMPLEMENTATION ANALYSIS

Prioritization & Timing Funding Strategies Capital Cost Analysis

February 2017 – April 2017

FINAL MASTER PLAN

Final Recommendations
Presentation to Council

June 2017









Brampton at a Glance

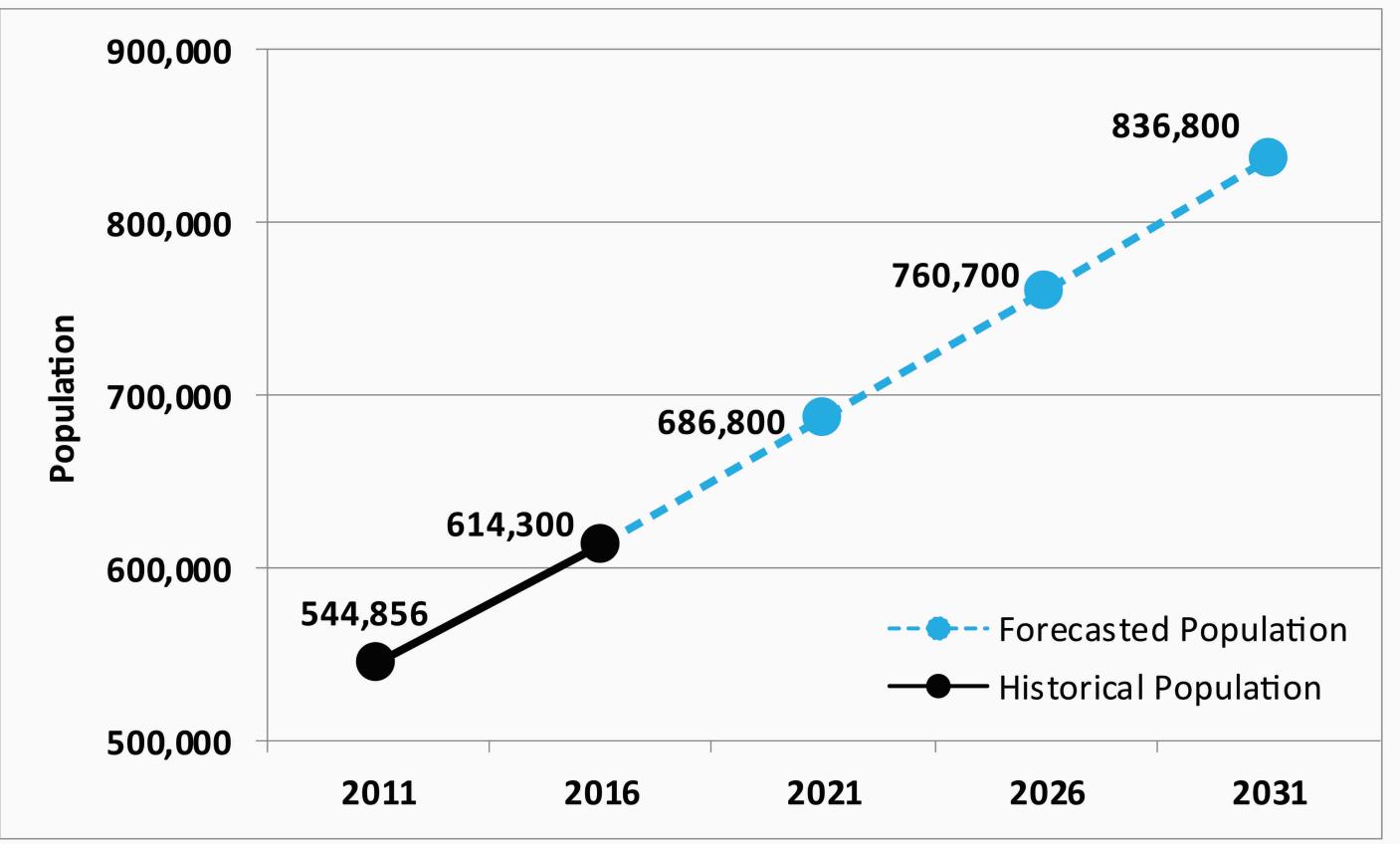
- 2016 population estimate for Brampton is 614,000
- By 2031, Brampton's population is projected to increase by 26%, reaching a population of 837,000
- Most population growth is forecasted to occur west of Creditview Road, as well as in northeast Brampton
- Considerable diversity in terms of income, cultural backgrounds, age structure and other demographics which can affect participation levels





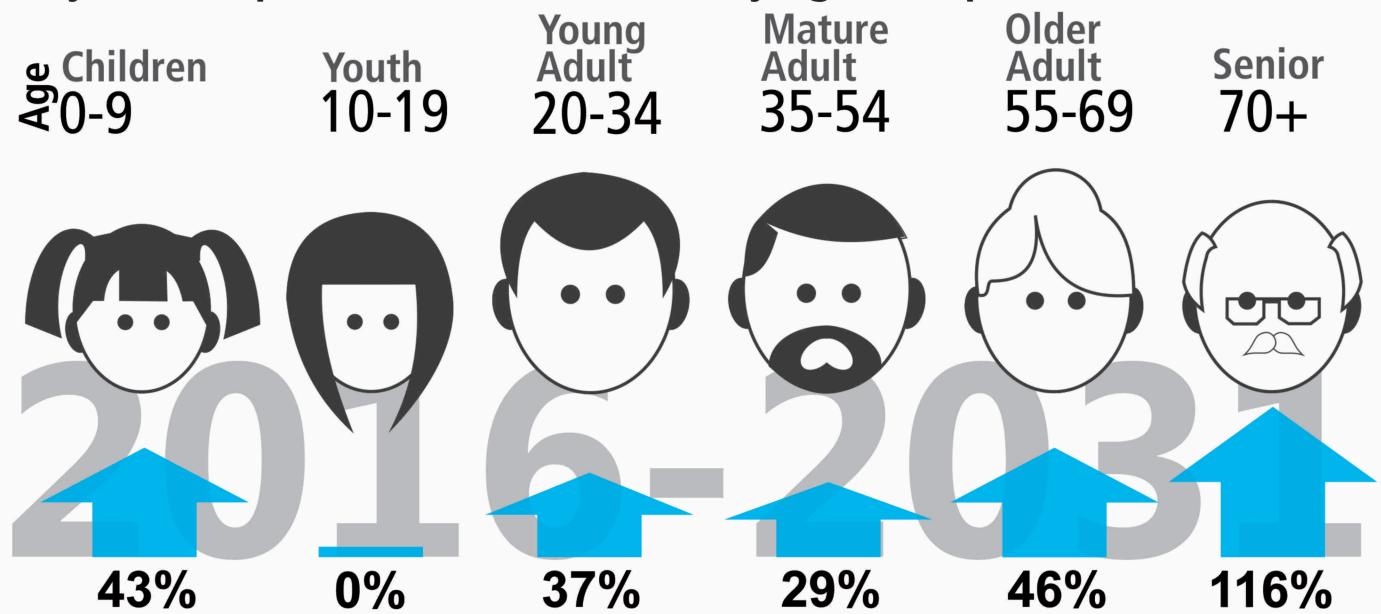


City of Brampton Historical and Forecasted Population, 2011-2031



Source: City of Brampton, Planning Policy and Growth Management, May 2015

City of Brampton Estimated Growth by Age Group, 2016-2031



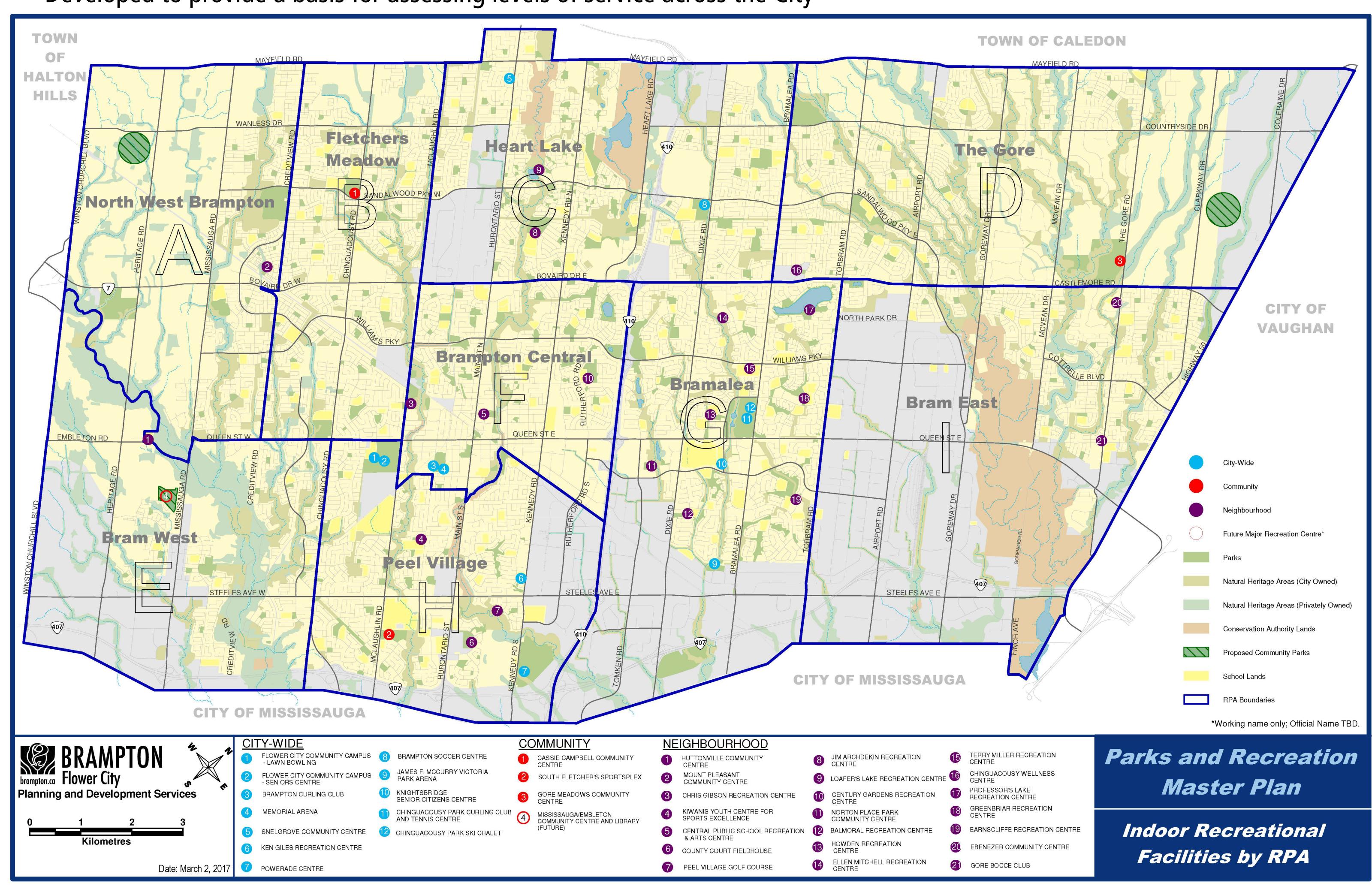
Source: Original data prepared by Hemson Consulting Ltd in November 2014. Revised data prepared by the City of Brampton in December 2015





Geographic Distribution – Recreation Planning Areas (RPAs)

Provide a basis for assessing levels of service across the City



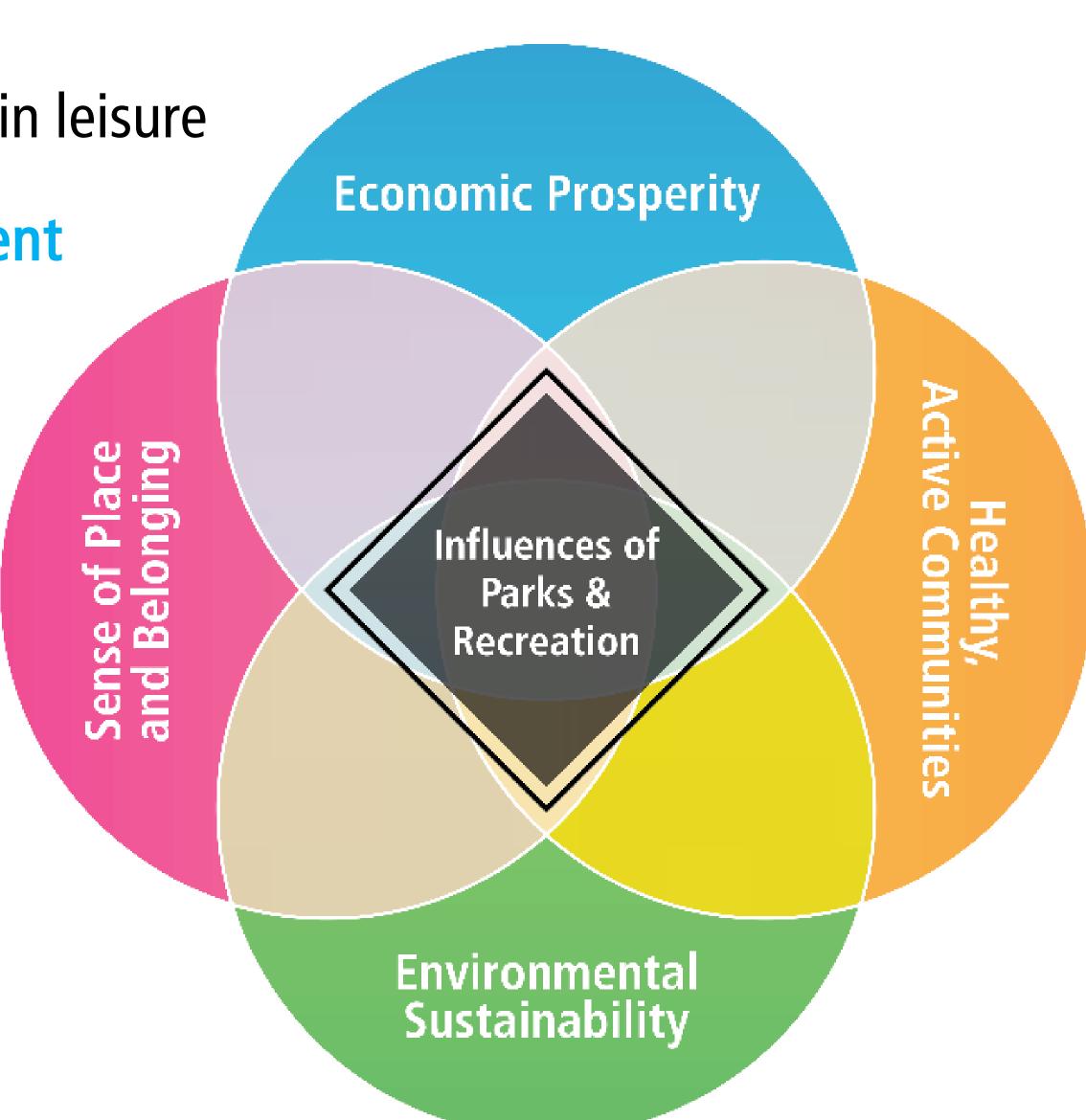


Benefits of Parks, Recreation and Sport

• Supports active and vibrant communities by providing opportunities to participate in leisure

Strengthens community ties by encouraging social interaction and civic involvement

- Offers free to low cost opportunities for physical activity and wellness
- Fosters creativity and skill development, particularly among children
- Builds community pride and sense of place
- Stimulates economic development, productivity, and sport tourism
- Preserves and celebrates unique, natural heritage features
- Encourages environmental education and stewardship







Overview of Consultations

- Citizen Panel meetings held in March, July and October 2016
- Launch Event held with Mayor, Councillors and Community Leaders
- Public Meeting 40 in attendance
- Online Survey 1,122 responses
- Stakeholder Survey 35 responses
- Stakeholder Workshops 77 participants representing 25+ organizations
- City Staff Roundtables 150 staff participants
- Council & Senior Management Interviews 31 interviews
- Written Submissions received through PRMP@Brampton.ca
- Pop Up Booths Bramalea Centre, Shoppers World, South Fletcher's SportsPlex, Gore Meadow's Library, and Garden Square
- Draft PRMP Ongoing Meetings with stakeholders, public, Citizen Panel, and Council to test Draft PRMP

Summary of Consultation Themes

- Ongoing Commitment to Inclusivity
- Multi-Use, Multi-Generational, Multi-Seasonal, Multicultural, Flexible Facilities
- Balancing Neighbourhood with City-wide Needs
- Unstructured, Self-Scheduled Opportunities
- Comfortable, Safe and Welcoming Atmosphere
- Pursuit of Partnerships





Preliminary Directions — Services and Programs

Physical Activity

Aim to improve residents physical activity levels - frequency, duration and intensity

Getting Outdoors

 Recognize the critical importance to the health of individuals and the community as a whole to be outdoors in natural settings

Water Safety

• Every resident should have the opportunity to learn how to swim; every family should know the importance of being safe in and around water

Aging Population

 Ensure that Brampton's older adults and senior citizens are active and engaged in leisure pursuits

Diverse and Marginalized Populations

Include all residents to enhance the overall health and vibrancy of the community

Sport Development

Ensure every resident has the opportunity to participate in sport











Preliminary Directions — Indoor Recreation Facilities

Optimize Older Community Centres

- Therapeutic Pool pilot project at 2 community centres to support 'aging in place' with retrofits to include gymnasium and group fitness space to reinforce neighbourhood-based activities
- Repurpose a minimum of one underutilized small pool to dry floor uses (e.g. sports, fitness, arts and culture) to diversify the available range of neighbourhood-based services
- In areas where older community centres are grouped together and approaching end of life, evaluate ways to consolidate programs to maximize cost-efficiencies and meet future needs of the neighbourhood. For example, undertake a strategy specific to the Bramalea Family Recreation Centre that directs capital investments moving forward

Indoor Turf

 Undertake an Indoor Turf Study to determine the feasibility of investing in a second indoor turf facility based on market conditions, costs, and potential impacts

New Community Centre in Bram West (RPA 'E')

- Aquatic centre, fitness centre, gymnasium, dedicated youth space and multi-purpose program rooms with long-term expansion potential to add a twin pad arena at City-owned Mississauga/Embleton Community Park (across from Lionhead Golf Course)
- Additionally, the site ideally would integrate skateboard park, club-quality tennis courts, and a sport-friendly basketball court

Senior's Centre in Bram East

 Develop a seniors' centre in the east end of Brampton using a community-hub centred approach involving prospective partners to complement City recreation services

Program Rooms

 Prioritize improvements required to enhance the programming capacity of multi-purpose rooms located in older community centres





Preliminary Directions — Outdoor Recreation Facilities

Artificial Turf

 1 new artificial turf field for use by a broad range of field sports

Sports Fields

 9 new soccer fields, designed based on the Long Term Player Development model

Ball Diamonds

 Construct primarily to address geographic gaps and/or through shared-use agreements with School Boards

Cricket Pitches

 New cricket pitches at McCandless Park, Gore Meadows Community Park and another in southwest Brampton

Tennis Courts

 Public courts throughout new residential areas plus clubquality courts at Gore Meadows Community Park and/or Mississauga / Embleton Community Park

Basketball Courts

 Provide casual courts within 10-15 minute walk of new residential and existing under-supplied gap areas, and striving to provide a high quality full basketball court in each Recreation Planning Area

Skateboard Parks

 Construct skateboard parks in southwest and northwest Brampton, strategic renewal/replacement of existing aging skateparks, and bolster geographic distribution using small 'skate zones'

Splash Pads

 4 new splash pads, preferably at Community/City level parks or in tandem with a community centre

Outdoor Pools

 Convert the Gage Park wading pool to a splash pad and undertake additional study/consultation to increase Eldorado Pool's 'fun factor'

Note: Locations for recommended facilities to be determined through consultations with staff, Councillors, identified stakeholders, and the general public.





Preliminary Directions — Parks and Open Space

Parkland Classification

 Integrate Urban Park and Linear Park classifications into the City's Official Plan parkland hierarchy to reinforce intensification and active transportation objectives

Parkland Target

 Proactively acquire parks at a ratio of 1.6 hectares per 1,000 population, which will require 240 hectares of new parkland by 2031

Parkland Acquisition

 Utilize the Planning Act, pursuit of surplus schools and joint planning with new schools, and other available means to acquire needed parkland

Parkland Renewal

 As parks age and community demographics around them evolve, plan renewals to reposition parks and their facilities

