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Thank you for your continued support!

Dear Ward 8 Resident,

Welcome to the 2010 Spring and Summer edition of my Councillor's Report. I am pleased to send this to you and I thank you for your ongoing support of my efforts at the municipal and regional levels of government. This issue will provide you insight into many important and interesting community matters. I hope you take the time to read the articles and learn more about the issues, programs and news that are helping to shape our city.

As your Councillor for Ward 8, I am your representative for the City of Mississauga and Region of Peel. Although both levels of government are responsible for different services I am available to assist with all issues of concern to you. It has been my pleasure to represent your needs on Council for the past 18 years.

As always, should you need help or further information please do not hesitate to contact my office at 905-896-5800 or e-mail me at katie.mahoney@mississauga.ca.

You can also stay up-to-date on key issues and meetings in the ward by visiting my Ward 8 website at www.mississauga.ca/portal/cityhall/ward8

Once again, I thank you for your support and will continue to work diligently to create a safe and healthy community to live and work.

Best wishes for a safe and enjoyable summer.

Katie Mahoney
Councillor, Ward 8

Mississauga 3-1-1 Now in Service

The City of Mississauga has now launched its 3-1-1 telephone service. For the first time ever, Mississauga residents will be able to access City and Region of Peel information, programs and services through a simple 3-digit phone number.

By calling 3-1-1, callers will access an Interactive Voice Response (IVR) menu that provides the option of selecting either city or regional services. Regional calls about waste and recycling, water, health or social services will be routed to the Region of Peel customer contact centre. Callers inquiring about City of Mississauga information and services will be assisted by a trained Mississauga Customer Service Advisor. Visit www.mississauga.ca for further information and FAQs.



Councillor Mahoney with her Grandchildren

To promote healthy lifestyle and in support of the Eden Community Food Bank, Councillor Katie Mahoney hosted a free skate event and food drive in April at Erin Mills Twin Rinks. Over 200 people attended and enjoyed the refreshments provided by Ontario Popcorn, Healthy Vending and Hershey, whose generous donations greatly contributed to making the event a success.

In addition to cash donations, the event raised 428 pounds of food.

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Story Time at Sheridan Branch Library

Councillor Mahoney reads "The Hungry Caterpillar" to children at Sheridan Branch Library. The Library offers many services and programs such as Story Time, Summer Reading Program and more for children and families.

The Sheridan Branch Library is located at 2225 Erin Mills Parkway and can be reached by telephone at 905-615-4815. For more information about Mississauga branch libraries you may also visit the City of Mississauga website at www.mississauga.ca/portal/residents/branchlibraries



Sheridan Branch Library

Sheridan Branch Library lease negotiations are complete and the library will remain in its current location at the Sheridan Centre. Resident feedback received during last spring's library meeting and input gathered throughout the Future Directions Master Plan process demonstrated the value of the Sheridan Branch Library to the community. With the support of residents, this branch will adapt to become an alternative community library model that addresses specific community needs. Your input was heard and is being used to improve: multilingual collections; dual language kits; partnerships; and access to information about community organizations. Minor renovations are anticipated to occur over the next few months, including, new carpet and a repositioning of space to allow for increased computer access and study areas. For further information, do not hesitate to visit the Sheridan Branch Library or www.mississauga.ca/library

Budget Committee recently approved an increase to library operating hours. All library locations are open on Sundays from 1 pm to 5 pm. Please be advised that summer hours are in effect from May 23, 2010 to October 10, 2010 during which time library branches are closed on Sundays. The Mississauga Central Library will continue to be open on Sundays from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (except for holiday weekends) throughout the summer.

Ridgeway Bridge over the 403 is Finally Underway!

It's been in the City's Official Plan since 1981 and has been on the wish list for the Erin Mills community for quite some time. Well, I'm happy to say that construction on this much anticipated Ridgeway Drive overpass is set to begin!

The overpass, which was envisioned in the early plans of the Erin Mills community, has been designed to accommodate various traffic conditions and incorporates bicycle lanes. The bicycle lanes will provide an excellent connection to the many bicycle trails that exist on either side of the 403.

On the north side it will connect to the many trails and routes which are being established in Churchill Meadows; and on the south side it will connect to a proposed bicycle facility on Unity Drive, leading into the Glen Erin Trail and park system. The bridge will also connect to the Burnhamthorpe Trail as well as many other proposed routes.

Construction of the bridge began in the spring and is scheduled to be completed by December 2010.

The proposed overpass and road will accommodate four lanes of traffic (two northbound and two southbound) with a bike lane and a sidewalk in each direction. Landscaping and street lighting is also proposed as part of this contract.

Mississauga's LitterNot Program

Did you know that motorists and pedestrians are responsible for creating between 30 and 50 per cent of all litter? The balance of litter comes from household or commercial garbage, construction sites, loading and delivery areas, and uncovered trucks.

How Can You Help?

- Your business, sports organization, service club, school, community group or neighbourhood can become a LitterNot Leader by adopting a street or park through the Volunteer Clean-up Program.
- The Volunteer Clean-up Program involves a two-year commitment with a minimum of three clean-ups per year. The City will support your group by providing necessary training, safety equipment, garbage bags and garbage pick-up.

For your efforts, a special sign will be erected in your adopted location, your group's name will be included in annual newspaper advertisements, and a Certificate of Recognition from Mayor Hazel McCallion will be presented at the completion of each two-year term.

For more information about the City's LitterNot Campaign, call the Communications Division at 905-896-5000 or e-mail public.info@mississauga.ca



Ward 8 Roadway Resurfacing Program

The following streets in Ward 8 are listed on the Road Resurfacing Program for this year.

- Credit Valley Road from Eglinton Avenue West to Erin Mills Parkway
- Doulton Drive from Blythe Road to Blythe Road

• Doulton Place from Doulton Drive to end
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION you may contact Dagmar Breuer, Capital Project Manager with the Transportation and Works Department at 905-615-3200 ext. 5184 or by e-mail at dagmar.breuer@mississauga.ca



Mississauga Football League

Our Game is "40"

The Mississauga Football League provides full tackle house league football to the youth of Mississauga, ages 9-17. This year will be their 40th season on the field. This community based organization is not-for-profit and run 100 per cent by volunteers within the community.

The Mississauga Football League is the only City affiliated football league and the Toronto Argos are "Proud Supporters of the Mississauga Football League". All practices are local to your community and games are in Mississauga too! It is, by far, the best value for football in the community at only \$250 for the season. All equipment is loaned to the players for the season and no experience is necessary. Season runs from mid-August to mid-November.

Have your kids come out and join the fun on the field, 2010 is shaping up to be a great season. The Tyke program for 9 and 10 year olds will be going into its second season after the huge success in 2009. Keep in mind it does not matter if you are 9 or 17, big or small, experienced or not, there is a place for you in "Our Game"!

The Mississauga Football League – Building Mississauga Youth and Mississauga Football one Player at a Time!

For more information visit www.M-F-L.ca or call 416-821-0132.



Pedestrian Safety Tips:

With the nice weather finally arriving in our City, many pedestrians are going to be out and about this spring and summer. While you are walking around our great City there are important reminders that you should keep in mind to help keep you and your loved ones safe.

Here is a simple three-step safety reminder when crossing the road:

1. **Make eye contact with motorist**
2. **Listen to what's around you**
3. **Look left-right-left before crossing the street and continue to look as you cross**

It's a very simple message but one that is very important to help keep you safe. For more information on pedestrian safety please visit www.mississauga.ca/pedestriansafety.

City of Mississauga Begins Construction on the Garry W. Morden Centre



Councillor Mahoney with other dignitaries at the official ground breaking ceremony of the Garry W. Morden Centre, a state-of-the-art fire and emergency training facility he in May. The facility, dedicated to Fire and Life Safety was named after Mississauga Fire and Emergency Services Chief Garry Morden.

LODGING HOUSE ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT

We are fortunate and proud to have the University of Toronto Mississauga campus within our community, but some issues have arisen with respect to student housing and has prompted very serious concerns such as property values, overcrowding, and other related issues.

The City of Mississauga, working with the community and myself, proceeded to put in place an amendment to Zoning By-law 0225-2007, to include definitions of "Lodging House" and "Lodging Unit" within the zoning by-law which in essence put parameters on the operation of a business that rents space to students and when the owner doesn't live on the property.

The process was delayed since there were legal challenges made, and the matter was heard by the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB).

We recently received a written decision from the OMB confirming that the appeals are concluded. Therefore, the amended zoning by-law as approved by Council, stands.

A rezoning application is now required in order to operate a lodging house in which the owner does not live on the premises. If a rezoning was to be granted, the property would then require an operating licence which will set out a host of requirements including regular inspections.

Run for the Cure Canadian Breast Cancer

This year, the largest one-day breast cancer fundraising event in Canada will come to Mississauga for the first time. On Sunday, October 3, 2010, the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation CIBC Run for the Cure will take place at the University of Toronto – Mississauga Campus. It is the 60th run site across Canada, and the 22nd in Ontario.

We are very excited that our community was chosen as a new site for the run, which in 2009 raised \$26.5 million nationally for breast cancer research, education, and awareness programs. Throughout the province, the Foundation's Ontario Region has dedicated over \$68 million since 2000 to the most promising breast cancer research that is making real change happen.

Volunteer Run Directors Jane Wilson and Sunil Koparkar, both of Mississauga, are leading a highly capable volunteer run committee. Both run directors have been affected by breast cancer, and their commitment to the cause, and to the Mississauga community, will help ensure this run site's success.



Pictured from left to right: David Terry - CIBC AVP, Helena Trevellick - CIBC Run Champion, Jean Kraskowski - CIBC Run Champion, Councillor Katie Mahoney, Jane Wilson - Run Director, Sunil Koparkar - Run Director

Join Councillor Mahoney in getting behind the Mississauga run site to help it succeed. Individuals and teams can register now for this year's run at www.cbcf.org, or pick up a run registration form at the Running Room and CIBC branch locations. Together, Mississauga can help create a future without breast cancer.

SOUTH COMMON
Satellite Skate Park

OPENING SUMMER 2010

Construction will begin this spring for a new Satellite Skate Park near the South Common Community Centre. The Skate Park will be geared for beginner to intermediate skill levels and will be constructed of metal and high strength concrete components (See design below). The location of the pad will be on the west side of the community centre parallel to the parking lot (Please see map and pictures below). In April, forestry will prepare the site by cleaning out brush and all invasive plant material along the edge of the woodlot to accommodate for the 10m x 30m concrete surface that the skateboard equipment will be placed on. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Colin Bailey (Project Co-ordinator) at 905-615-3200 ext 5724.

THE SITE

THE LOCATION

THE DESIGN

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Skateboard Park at South Common Community Centre

Construction will begin this spring on a new Satellite Skate Park near the South Common Community Centre. The Skate Park will be geared for beginner to intermediate skill levels and will be constructed of metal and high strength concrete components. The pad will be located on the west side of the community centre parallel to the parking lot. Forestry will be preparing the site in the upcoming weeks by cleaning out brush and all invasive plant material along the edge of the woodlot to accommodate the 10m x 30m concrete surface.

The Learning Disabilities Associations of Mississauga (LDA) is a non-profit, charitable organization and we help parents and professionals who are brought together by concerns for children and adults who have learning disabilities.

What Does LDA Do?

We assist people with learning disabilities and their families in meeting their expressed needs by:

- providing support, guidance and up-to-date resource information
- providing direct programs and services in identified areas of need for persons of all ages with learning disabilities
- providing the opportunity for the sharing of information and common concerns
- encouraging research in the field of learning disabilities
- supporting and generating legislative initiatives.

The programs that are offered are: Computer skills/keyboarding Levels 1 and 2, Conflict Resolution Anger Management, Social Skills, Resource Counselling, One on One Academic Tutoring, Stay In School Program, Brain Builders and Esteem Builders Summer Camps.

LDA furthers the educational, social, recreational, legal, medical, vocational and employment opportunities for people with learning disabilities in Mississauga.

LDA acquaints professionals working in the above listed fields – education, recreation, legislation and justice, health, vocational training and employment - with the current literature and research in the field of learning disabilities.

LDA creates public awareness of learning disabilities by informing the public of the issues and challenges faced by people with learning disabilities.

In addition, we maintain resource centres containing books, literature and videos related to learning disabilities. Feel free to contact us about our library.

LDA Mississauga is located at 165 Dundas St. West, Suite 400 in Mississauga, Ontario. For more information on all our programs and services check out our website: www.ldapeel.com

Cram A Cruiser Food Drive

Councillor Mahoney attends the Cram A Cruiser Food Drive Event on March 27th at Sheridan Centre Metro Store. Participants along with Peel Regional Police include Nicole and Guide Dog "Simcoe".



Did You Know?

Did you Know...

Mississauga's Sign By-law governs ALL signs?

- Banner, sidewalk, window, directional, new development, construction, inflatable signs, sandwich and plywood boards, as well as portable (mobile) signs;
- The by-law includes regulations governing the size (sign area, sign height and set-backs), location by zoning category and duration (if the sign is to be displayed on a temporary basis);
- It's the responsibility of business and property owners to ensure compliance with sign regulations;
- Provided that all signs comply with the Sign By-law, property owners may decide the types and number of signs they will allow on their property.

Signs Require a Permit

- All signs displayed, erected or altered on private or public lands within the City of Mississauga require a sign permit;
- Signs may also require a separate building permit.

Signs on Public Land

- Signs on public lands are prohibited unless specifically allowed under the Sign By-law.

To ensure that you meet the most current by-law provisions, refer to the complete sign by-law. For copies by mail or for general information, please call the Sign Unit at 905-615-4046, for online sign by-law information visit www.mississauga.ca/file/COM/SignBy_law.PDF

Mississauga Road 2010 Sidewalk Construction

Mississauga Road is a candidate for the 2010 Sidewalk Construction Program. A concrete sidewalk will be constructed on the west side of Mississauga Road from Seven Oaks Drive to Dundas Street. This installation proposal was done in coordination with Community Services "Queensway Trail" link project and at the same time proposed to complete a large section of missing sidewalk network on Mississauga Road. For further information you may contact Raymond Lau, Roadway Programming Technologist at 905-615-3200 Ext. 3016.

