Moving from Vision to Action

In 2009, the City of Mississauga embarked on an ambitious journey – to launch a Strategic Plan and a 40 year vision for the city. More than 100,000 residents were engaged in Our Future Mississauga, the development of the plan. Six years later, the City has moved from vision to action and this progress is having a positive effect in our community.

As the Strategic Plan advances, we are committed to sharing our actions with residents. This helps the community monitor our progress and keeps our plan on track.

There are 100 actions currently underway from the Action Plan and 14 are complete. In 2015, we progressed on 25 major City projects, each relating to an action of the Strategic Plan and highlighted in this report. These projects include Mississauga’s first city-wide transportation summit, the introduction of an Age-friendly Action Plan, development of a long-term vision for the booming Cooksville neighbourhood and more. These projects are making Mississauga a place where people choose to be.

Our progress in 2015 reflects the work being done to create a vibrant, global city where people of all ages can thrive. In the pages that follow, you will see how our work is helping Mississauga to Move, Belong, Connect, Prosper and Green.

Our Vision for the Future

Mississauga will inspire the world as a dynamic and beautiful global city for creativity and innovation, with vibrant, safe and connected communities; where we celebrate the rich diversity of our cultures, our historic villages, Lake Ontario and the Credit River valley. A place where people choose to be.
Each of these Strategic Pillars for Change has its own unique direction statement and principle, along with specific strategic goals to ensure that this Vision is achieved. The Plan provides a sound framework for action and vision to move our city forward for the next 40 years.

**Achieving the Plan**

Within the Strategic Plan, each Strategic Pillar for Change is connected to specific action items which will drive the Plan forward. These items are outlined in the Action Plan – a complementary document that includes key indicators, targets, actions and funding options for each Strategic Pillar for Change. The Strategic Plan comes alive through the work that is created through these key actions.

**Measuring Success**

The success of the Strategic Plan will be measured by the level of transformation and energy that we will be able to see, feel and hear all around our city.

Our annual Report on the Strategic Plan is delivered to Council and the community to help monitor progress and to keep the Plan on track. Reports are an important part of our pledge to continue working closely with our community partners to ensure that their voices are heard and that we stay grounded in the key actions that support our goals.

As we progress, we continue to see change all around us, as Mississauga becomes a world class city that attracts people, jobs and opportunities. It will be a location of destinations; a city with a variety of events and festivals supported by a vibrant downtown and a spectacular waterfront. It will be a location of choice for people who want to live, learn, work, play and visit. It will be a city where people choose to be.

Read on to see highlights of the progress we made in 2015 and how our Strategic Pillars for Change are making a real difference in our city.
How we moved the Strategic Plan forward in 2015

**Move**

**Hurontario Light Rail Transit Project (HLRT)**
The HLRT Project is a light rail system that will bring approximately 20 kilometres of reliable, rapid transit to Mississauga. This is the largest infrastructure project in Mississauga’s history.

**Advanced Transportation Management System (ATMS)**
As our population grows, the ATMS helps provide reliable travel times, minimal delays and accurate and timely travel information. The system allows the City to actively monitor travel conditions, better control traffic signals, share information and interact with other transportation modes.

**Dundas Connects**
In a move to transform the diverse, mixed-use Dundas corridor, the City has launched Dundas Connects – a project to create a Master Plan that will help this bustling street achieve its full potential as a link in the regional transit network.

**Mississauga Moves 2015 (Transportation Summit)**
The City’s first-ever transportation summit brought together residents, business owners, stakeholders as well as members of City Council and staff, to discuss the city’s current and future transportation needs with transportation experts. Over 250 people attended the event.

**MiWay 5: Transit Service Plan 2016-2020**
MiWay is working to meet the growing needs of transit riders across the city. MiWay 5 will provide a comprehensive review of where transit operates, when it operates and how frequently, resulting in a more streamlined and efficient service.

**Lakeshore Road Transportation Master Plan and Implementation Strategy**
This two year project was launched in 2015 to engage local communities, special interest groups and other stakeholders in developing a vision for the Lakeshore corridor. The plan will determine the long-term transportation role, function and needs of the corridor based on projected growth.

**Port Credit GO Station Southeast Area Master Plan**
The master plan was the first step in Metrolinx’s proposed redevelopment of the Port Credit Go Station southeast parking lot and new parking structure. The plan will build upon Port Credit’s success as a transit-friendly community, while supporting the existing GO line and the future Hurontario Light Rail Transit system infrastructure.
Belong

Action Plan for an Age-friendly Mississauga
The City of Mississauga aspires to be a place where people choose to spend their entire lives. Our Age-friendly Action Plan will ensure that residents of all ages belong and thrive in Mississauga.

Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee
The creation of the Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee (DIAC) speaks to the City’s commitment to inclusion for all residents of our community and awareness of diversity matters.

Ridgeway Community Courts Project (Colonial Terrace)
In partnership with the Region of Peel, the City is building a multi-sport court in the Colonial Terrace neighbourhood, giving youth and families access to free sports programming. Funding partners include the MLSE Foundation, Canadian Tire Jumpstart and Mississauga West Rotary Club.

Beach Volleyball Venue at Lakefront Promenade Park
Mississauga will proudly host the 2016 Ontario Summer Games. In preparation, the City is constructing a new beach volleyball facility at Lakefront Promenade Park, the first of this magnitude in Mississauga.
Mississauga Celebration Square Strategic Plan
This plan provides a ten-year vision for the Square as a premier venue for outdoor events, creative expression and memorable experiences for residents and visitors. It will lead the Square in growing and attracting events with tourism appeal and fostering a stage for creative development.

Fire Station 119 Relocation
This project created an opportunity for co-location with Peel Paramedics. Sharing the same building helped both Fire and Paramedic Services improve their response time goals and customer service. The new building was designed and built to achieve LEED Silver certification.

Environmental Study, Access to the Western Pier, OPG lands
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MyMalton Community Visioning (Phase 1)
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Prosper

ePlans
ePlans is an online 24/7 service that allows developers, contractors and consultants to submit applications for review and approval of site and building plans. ePlans has the potential to reduce overall review time and improve customer service, making it seamless for the public to do business with the City.

Inspiration Port Credit – 70 Mississauga Road South
The master planning framework for 70 Mississauga Road South, the Imperial lands, was developed with the community and approved by Council. It ensures revitalization of this site into a sustainable community to live, work, learn and play.

Sheridan Park Corporate Centre - Implementation of Land Use Master Plan
The implementation of the Land Use Master Plan will provide for more varied development in the Sheridan Park Corporate Centre. The proposed policies and regulations will help to attract innovative businesses such as the new Advanced Material Manufacturing Centre, a partnership between the National Research Council of Canada and Xerox.

Vision Cooksville
Downtown Cooksville is a busy urban, mixed-use community and major transportation hub. Vision Cooksville was launched in 2015 to develop a long-range community vision to guide revitalization and growth for this area based on extensive community input.

Launch of Mississauga International Partnership Program Committee (MIPP)
MIPP focuses on creating new and existing connections with cultural groups. These connections will help attract foreign investment and improve the City’s global competitiveness.
Green

Stormwater Financing Study and Implementation Project
The City’s new stormwater charge provides a dedicated source of funding to keep the infrastructure in good working order. This initiative supports the City’s approach to environmental sustainability and promoting a greener culture.

LED Street Lighting Conversion Project
By using LED technology, Mississauga is a leader in promoting technology for a greener environment, in conserving energy and reducing harmful gas emissions. The project will convert approximately 50,000 streets lights to LED lights and include a state-of-the-art Street Lighting Monitoring System.

Earth Markets
These fun and interactive events provided residents opportunities to learn and engage in green activities. Features of the markets included workshops, documentary screenings, live music, healthy food, interactive displays and environmental vendors.

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