

Stay Connected

Fall 2021

Mississauga. Strong. Ready.

As Mayor of the City of Mississauga, I want to thank residents and businesses for your patience, understanding and compassion as we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic as a community.

With both short and long-term recovery plans in place, I am confident that Mississauga will not only rebound from the pandemic, but once again thrive.

What gives me so much confidence is that I know Mississauga is a caring and resilient city. From residents donating to the food bank and delivering groceries to their neighbours, to our businesses quickly pivoting to manufacture PPE for our hospitals, I could not be more proud of how Mississaugans have stepped up to support those most in need.

I am also thankful that so many of you went out to get the vaccine – more than 80 per cent of eligible residents 12 and older in Peel Region are now fully vaccinated. We know the vaccine is critical to protecting both our community and our economy. I want to acknowledge the hard work of staff at Trillium Health Partners, Peel Public Health, Mississauga Fire and Emergency Services and Peel Paramedics as well as the hundreds of volunteers for helping get shots in arms.

At the City, our priority is to maintain the 200+ services you rely on, while working hard to keep property taxes competitive.

Along with members of my Council, I once again thank all of you for rising up for your community. At the City, we will continue doing everything we can to support residents and businesses as we build back better.



Budgeting for a Stronger Tomorrow

The Business Planning and Budgeting process is an important activity that happens each year. The budget must balance competing priorities and challenges while ensuring that more than 200 programs and services like recreation, transit and snow clearing remain affordable for Mississauga businesses and residents.

Get involved with the City's budget:

- · Email questions and comments to budget@mississauga.ca
- · Follow budget conversations on the City's social media channels
- · Stream Budget Committee meetings to listen to discussions and deliberations
- · Submit a question during public question period at Budget Committee

Learn more: sau.ga/502



"Vote Anywhere" in Mississauga's 2022 Election

The next municipal election will be held on Monday, October 24, 2022. Eligible voters will be voting for their Mayor, City/Regional Councillor and School Board Trustee.

The City will work closely with Peel Public Health to ensure appropriate COVID-19 precautions are in place, as needed. Advanced polls and "Vote Anywhere" will be options for voting.

Vote Anywhere will allow you to vote at any advanced voting location across the city or any voting location in your ward on Election Day.

If you are interested in running as a candidate, watch for more details starting in January 2022.

If you are interested in working at a voting location, watch for more details in the spring and summer of 2022.



Stay Safe this Fall

Protect Yourself Against COVID-19

As the colder weather approaches and we begin to gather indoors, there are a few things you can continue to do to stay safe.

Protect yourself from COVID-19:

- 1. **Get vaccinated** getting both doses of the vaccine is your best defence against COVID-19. Book today at peelregion.ca/covid19.
- 2. Wear a mask as you start to spend more time inside, it's important to mask up, especially when visiting those outside your household or in situations where physical distancing may be difficult.
- **3. Opt for virtual** when possible, choose virtual options to partake in social events or gatherings.

Learn more: sau.ga/504



Supporting Urban Food Production in Mississauga

The City is developing its first Urban Agriculture Strategy to help identify the City's role in supporting urban-scale food production across Mississauga, and help mitigate and adapt to climate change.

Urban agriculture includes growing food such as fruit, vegetables and herbs for personal consumption, commercial sale, and educational purposes and to promote community health and wellness. This can include backyard gardening, community gardens, urban farms, hydroponics and farmer's markets.



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Through the implementation of the strategy, the City will:

- Encourage healthier lifestyles
- Empower the community to learn new skills about growing and harvesting produce
- Support local businesses with ties to urban agriculture

Mississauga Joins Fight

Against Diabetes

Type 2 diabetes is affecting a growing number of Mississauga residents.



In November, Mayor Crombie will sign the Urban Diabetes Declaration, making Mississauga the only Canadian municipality participating in the Cities Changing Diabetes (CCD) Programme.

Membership in the CCD Programme will help Mississauga understand its urban diabetes challenge and set goals to lower the rate of Type 2 diabetes.

Mississauga will work with partners and stakeholders to develop plans to decrease the rate of Type 2 diabetes by focusing on reducing obesity and increasing disease prevention. Check back regularly for opportunities to get involved early in 2022.

Learn more: sau.ga/506

Animal Services in our Community

Every day our Animal Services officers are on the front line responding to emergency calls to rescue injured or distressed animals, reunite lost pets with their loving families and find forever homes for animals through the City's adoption program.

They are also at work in our community providing public education on topics like coyote safety, pet ownership and pet responsibility. They will even offer advice if you have wildlife on your property.

Dedicated to providing care for pets and wildlife and making sure residents are safe, our Animal Services team is absolutely 'pawsome'.



Equity, Diversity and Inclusion at the City

The City of Mississauga has embarked on an Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) journey for our Corporation and the community we serve. The aim is to embed EDI into everything the City does to improve diversity and promote greater inclusion.

EDI priorities include:

- Implementing the Workforce Diversity and Inclusion Strategy
- Providing in-house EDI subject matter expertise to Mayor and Members of Council, and the Corporation
- Developing equity tool kits, learning modules and accountability processes for staff
- Building collaborative partnerships between internal divisions, municipalities and external partners on EDI best practices
- Monitoring and analyzing local, national and international EDI trends



Learn more: sau.ga/508

Hurontario LRT Construction is Well Underway

The Hurontario LRT is expected to be completed in fall 2024.

The 18km, 19-stop light rail project will bring rapid transit from Port Credit GO Station to the Brampton Gateway Terminal.

You may notice new utility infrastructure and systems are being installed or relocated along the corridor. Once this work is completed, portions of Hurontario

will be widened to accommodate the new LRT and its track system mainly in the middle of the roadway. Transit service continues during construction on Hurontario with temporary bus platforms in place. For your safety as well as the safety of work crews, please watch for and follow signage around the work zones.



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Be Fire Safe at Home

There are three points to remember to saving lives and your property when it comes to fire in your home:

- Prevention
- Detection
- Escape

Did you know the most common causes of a fire in your home are kitchen, electrical and careless smoking? Don't let this be you. Protect yourself by making sure your smoke alarms are working, create a home fire escape plan and most importantly, call 9-1-1 in an emergency.

Mississauga Fire and Emergency Services is here for you and your loved ones when you need us most.

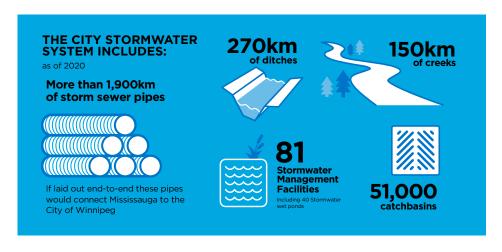
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Mississauga's Stormwater Charge

Frequent and intense rainfall puts a strain on Mississauga's stormwater infrastructure, including storm sewer pipes, creeks and stormwater management facilities. The City's stormwater system provides important benefits to everyone in Mississauga. Managing this system lessens the risk of flooding, reduces creek erosion and improves water quality. This protects you, your property, aquatic habitats, wildlife and Lake Ontario.

The Stormwater Charge is a dedicated funding source that helps pay for new infrastructure and plans for costly repairs in the future.

If you're a property owner in Mississauga, the Stormwater Charge appears on your Region of Peel water bill.



City Centre Transit Terminal Improvements

Mississauga is becoming a transit-oriented city. The City Centre Transit Terminal building, located just north of the Square One Shopping Centre, recently underwent a revitalization. It first opened in 1996 and is now MiWay's busiest bus terminal serving tens of thousands of customers daily by enabling local and regional transit network connections.

The newly renovated facility provides a modernized space with improved accessibility and services for transit customers to enjoy such as:

- · Wider escalators and a new elevator
- · Digital screens with real-time bus information
- Sliding entrance doors
- · Updated Customer Service and Fare Booths
- · PRESTO self-serve reload machines inside and outside the building

Learn more: sau.ga/512



Making Neighbourhood Roads Safer for Everyone

Speed is a contributing factor in approximately one third of all fatal collisions. To make roads safer for all travellers and to advance Vision Zero, the City is lowering speed limits in neighbourhoods, using Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) and installing traffic calming measures such as speed humps or raised pedestrian crossings.

Neighbourhood speed limits are being lowered from 50 km/h to 40 km/h and Neighbourhood School Zones are being lowered from 40 km/h to 30 km/h.

Community Safety Zones are being established in all school zones where fines may be doubled. ASE cameras rotate through school area Community Safety Zones where speeding has proven to be a consistent problem.

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