



MAYOR'S update²⁰²²



A Personal Message From Mayor Bonnie Crombie

As summer approaches, I hope that you and your family are staying healthy and safe.

The last two years have been an incredibly difficult time for so many people in Mississauga. I am very grateful for the sacrifices you have all made to help us get through one of the most challenging times in our City's history. While we've made great strides, I recognize that many are still feeling a financial pinch as a result of the pandemic.

This year's Budget includes extensive input from residents, local businesses and community organizations. It recognizes the financial pressure residents are still facing. It's balanced, lean and focuses on delivering and keeping the more than 200 programs and services you rely on affordable, including libraries, parks, road maintenance, snow clearing and fire and emergency services.

The 2022 Budget also puts us on a path for recovery and makes targeted investments in public infrastructure such as transit, road improvements and community centres, while enhancing public safety.

New projects such as the redevelopment of the Carmen Corbasson Community Centre will begin, while we will continue making progress on others like the Hazel McCallion Line, the Hazel McCallion Central Library and the Burnhamthorpe Community Centre.

We know that tackling climate change is something that Mississaugans care about deeply. That is why we're making strategic investments that will help green our transit fleet and provide residents with more environmentally-friendly ways to get around our city, including expanding bike lanes and our overall cycling network.

The modest Budget increase this year has resulted in a small rise on your property tax bill, mainly due to inflation and long-term capital projects that we commit funding to every year. This increase, however, will help us recover, keep our city in working order and allow us to build for the future.

The reality is that the City of Mississauga also continues to face ongoing fiscal challenges due to the pandemic. MiWay ridership and other user fees we collect from recreation and culture programming are still well below pre-COVID levels. It's also important to remember that only 36 cents of every property tax dollar goes to the City, with the rest going to the Region of Peel and the Government of Ontario - Ministry of Education. We simply don't have the revenue-generating tools our provincial and federal government partners have, and also unlike them, we legally can't run a deficit. Simply put, the City has never faced financial challenges like we have over the last two years.

But through incredibly strong advocacy, we have secured recovery and relief funding from the provincial and federal government to ensure that Mississauga has what it needs to recover and thrive. We were also successful in advocating for the Government of Ontario to remove the cap on the payments Toronto Pearson International Airport provides the City in lieu of tax, helping us avoid a potential \$529 million loss over the next 35 years. This shortfall would most certainly have impacted our ability to keep taxes low and maintain the services you rely on.

I want to again thank residents for their resiliency over the course of the pandemic, as well as those who engaged in this year's Budget process - you've told us directly what's important to you and your families. This input is so important to us, because at the end of the day, we're accountable to you.

On behalf of Council and the entire City, thank you for your patience and support over the last two years. I know brighter and better days are ahead for our City.

Bonnie Crombie

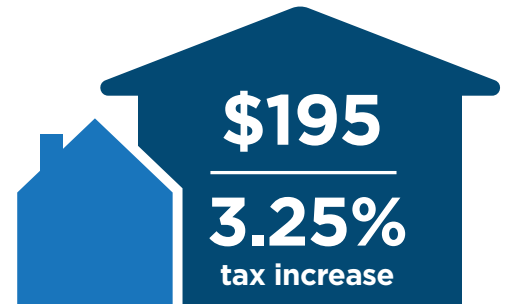
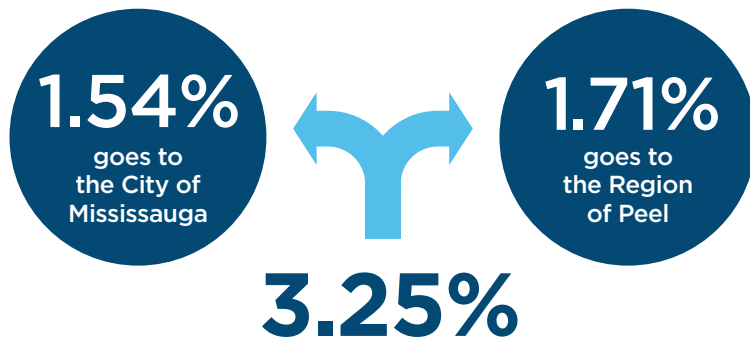
Warmest regards,

Bonnie Crombie, MBA, ICD.D.
Mayor of Mississauga

2022 Property Tax Impact – 3.25%

The overall residential property tax increase for 2022 is 3.25 per cent, of which 1.54 per cent is the City of Mississauga's portion and 1.71 per cent is the Region of Peel's

portion. For the typical single family home, this means an increase of about \$195 more per year. Some households will pay more or less, depending on their assessed value.



Based on an average residential property in Mississauga valued at \$730,000.

How We Pay For The Services You Rely On

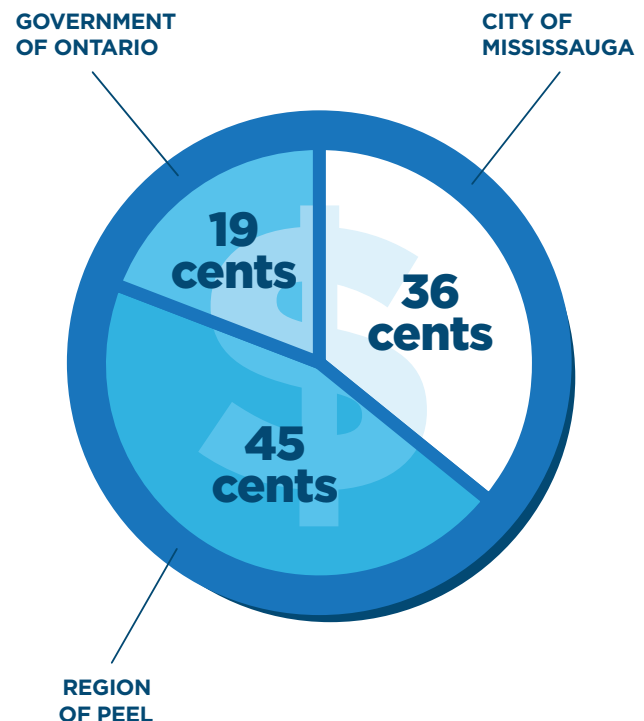
Mississauga delivers more than 200 services including public transit, libraries, recreation programs, snow clearing, parks, street tree maintenance, fire and emergency services and many more. To maintain the critical assets that impact the daily lives of residents, we receive funding from three main sources: property taxes, user fees and transfers from other levels of government.

The City, the Region of Peel and the Government of Ontario set their own tax rates each year. These tax rates and your property assessment are used to calculate your property tax bill. The City collects taxes from residents and businesses to pay for our day-to-day operations and to help fund future city-building projects. Your property taxes help fund services delivered by the City of Mississauga, the Region of Peel and the Government of Ontario - Ministry of Education.

Did You Know?

Only 36 cents of every tax dollar collected go towards funding the services delivered by the City. The rest goes to the Region of Peel and the Government of Ontario.

Residential Property Tax Bill



Supporting Our Communities

As our residents continue to deal with and recover from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, we remain committed to supporting our communities. We will keep the tax rate low, find efficiencies and do all we can to help our city move forward. Despite the impacts of the pandemic, our sound approach to budgeting and financial management has ensured that we remain financially stable. We thank the federal and provincial governments for their support and the Safe Restart Agreement funding that has contributed to the maintenance of our solid financial standing.

In 2021, the City again offered the option of property tax deferral to residents to help offset the impact of the pandemic. We also offered free virtual recreation programming for those over 55 to give them an opportunity to connect with others. Despite the pandemic, we advanced important projects like the renovation of the Burnhamthorpe Community Centre, the Hazel McCallion Central Library and the Meadowvale Theatre.

We continue to advocate for funding from higher levels of government for infrastructure, stormwater, transit and active transportation projects. We were very grateful that these funds were approved or received in 2021 or early 2022:

- \$45 million approved in provincial funding for the reconstruction of South Common Community Centre and Library
- \$20.26 million received through the COVID-19 Recovery Funding for Municipalities Program (provincial)
- \$30.393 million received through Safe Restart Transit Stream - Phase 3 (federal and provincial)
- \$14.174 million approved through ICIP - Resilience Stream (federal and provincial)
- \$610.75 million approved through ICIP - Public Transit Stream (federal and provincial)

Looking Towards A Promising Future

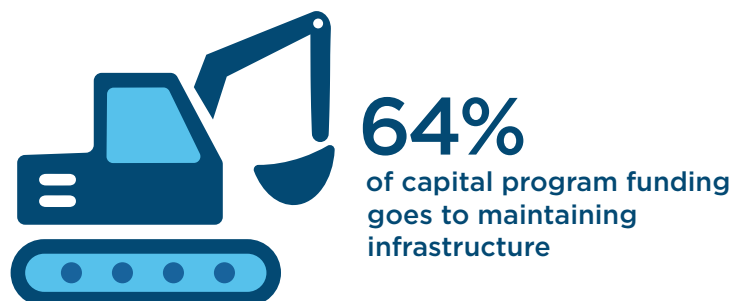
Mississauga's 2022 Budget maintains our commitment to sound financial management and value for taxpayers' money, while making prudent investments to ensure the City is ready for the future and continues to be a destination for economic investment and job creation and a place where people choose to be.

This year, most new initiatives have limited or no impact on the tax rate, and are mostly funded by new or increased revenues, or through the capital plan. Many new initiatives that were identified for 2022 have been deferred to future years to alleviate the impact on you, the taxpayer, as we recover from the pandemic. We've reduced costs, limited spending and invested strategically in quality services.

The 2022 Budget includes \$5.2 million in savings and budget reductions.

Each year, all City departments are challenged to find savings equal to one per cent of their budget. The 2022 Budget includes \$5.2 million in cost savings and efficiencies.

The City's Lean Program strengthens the City's culture of continuous improvement, and empowers staff to make daily improvements in how they work. Since adopting the Lean program in 2014, the City has achieved \$29.8 million in cost savings and cost avoidance.



Investing In Our City

In 2022, the City will continue to invest in projects to build, maintain and rehabilitate infrastructure that our residents, businesses and community rely on like community centres, roads, sidewalks and bike lanes. We will invest in Public Safety, Green Assets and Climate Change initiatives. New projects like the redevelopment of the Carmen Corbasson Community Centre will begin. Other projects already underway

like the Hazel McCallion Line and the redevelopments of the Hazel McCallion Central Library and the Burnhamthorpe Community Centre will continue.

As our city grows and evolves, we are ensuring we are providing the infrastructure and services you need now and in the future.

23,000

residents receiving
fire public safety education



\$25.4 Million

winter maintenance budget



\$1.8 Million

LED lighting upgrades
for park paths

\$68.5 Million

South Common Community Centre and Library
Redevelopment (2022-2026)



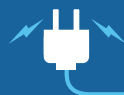
\$30.4 Million

planned roadway rehabilitation



\$99.6 Million

hybrid replacement bus acquisitions



50,000

tree plantings



\$7.2 Million

bridge and structure renewal

\$9.4 Million

investment in active transportation



\$25.4 Million

Hazel McCallion Central Library
Redevelopment

\$24.3 Million

park redevelopment and renewal



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