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# **Greetings from Mayor Carolyn Parrish**

It is an honour to be your new Mayor and I commit to you that my job will be to make Mississauga an even greater place to live. Over the past several months, I've heard from thousands of residents about your priorities. Strengthening our multicultural city with a focus on increasing our funding support for arts and culture, refining the budget process, addressing housing needs, streamlining approvals for builders and, ensuring the Province provides equitable social services funding are areas where I aim to make a difference. To help me focus on these priorities, I've appointed Matt Mahoney as Deputy Mayor. I look forward to working with Matt and all members of Council to move forward on these priorities and to revitalize City Hall, transforming it into a vibrant center of service delivery for our residents. I would also like to welcome Natalie Hart as the new Ward 5 Councillor. I trust she will take great care of the residents that I passionately served over the past 10 years. While my team has hit the ground

running, there is still lots to be done. I am excited about the future and your continued support.

Sincerely,

Carolyn

Carolyn Parrish Mayor of Mississauga SSISSAUGA

Learn more: mississauga.ca/801

### Celebrating Holidays with Fireworks

Celebrating holidays with fireworks is a tradition that many but not all enjoy. To keep celebrations safe and pleasant for everyone, fireworks are only allowed without a permit on personal private property from dusk until 11 p.m. on Lunar

New Year, Victoria Day, Canada Day and Diwali, and until 1 a.m. on New Year's Eve. A City permit is required to use fireworks on a public street or park, or on any day other than these five holidays. During these holidays, increased patrols and enforcement will take place to minimize complaints and ensure celebrations stay safe.



### Report an Apartment Maintenance Issue

Are you renting in an apartment building and experiencing maintenance issues such as a broken heater or poor water pressure? Mississauga has a free anonymous process to submit complaints not being resolved by landlords.

Once a complaint is received, our team works with building owners to resolve the issue quickly. Mississauga renters deserve to feel safe and comfortable in their homes and live in an apartment building that is well maintained.



Learn more: mississauga.ca/803

### **Build a Backyard Garden Suite**

The City is offering free, pre-approved design plans to make it easier for residents who want to build a garden suite in their backyard. These small homes are a good option for downsizing or for those who need a separate space for family members. They can also be used as a rental unit for extra income. There are two models to choose from: an open-concept 430 sq. ft. studio or a one-bedroom 600 sq. ft. suite. Both models include a kitchen space and three-piece washroom. Renderings and downloadable pre-approved plans are available online.



# Get Help with Driveway Windrow Snow Clearing

Mississauga offers a Driveway Windrow Snow Clearing Program for residents 65 years and older, and for persons with physical disabilities. Participants

in the program will have a three-metre space cleared in the windrow at the bottom of their driveway after snow plowing has ended. The program runs from Nov. 22, 2024 until Mar. 24, 2025 and is available to 750 participants on a first-come, first-served basis. Apply in person at the Mississauga Seniors' Centre, the Customer Service Centre at the Paramount Fine Foods Centre or your local community centre or online.

Learn more: mississauga.ca/805



### Mississauga's 2025 Budget Priorities

The high cost of living remains a concern for everyone. As a City, we're dedicated to making strategic investments in our community to ensure a great quality of life while maximizing efficiencies and managing costs. The budget prioritizes crucial areas like transit, emergency services, and housing affordability, while also maintaining and expanding infrastructure and delivering essential programs and services that residents rely on. Stay informed and get involved as we prepare for the 2025 Budget.



#### **Enjoy a New Season of Live Events**

Mississauga is home to a host of vibrant festivals and events across the city all year long. From free family activities at Celebration Square, to taking in a concert at the Living Arts Centre, a sporting event at the Paramount Fine Foods Centre or an intimate show at Meadowvale Theatre, there is something for everyone to enjoy in the city. Our new season of live events is on now and we encourage you to check it out.



Sister Sledge live at LAC November 30, 2024

Learn more: mississauga.ca/807

#### Remember to License Your Pet

Registering your furry friend for a pet license provides you with peace of mind for a swift return of your lost dog or cat, and it's also the law. It's easy to do and can be completed online, by phone, in person or by mail for a one or two-year duration. All pet licensing proceeds support the care of less fortunate pets in our shelter system. Remember, a pet license is meant to protect your pet and failure to obtain one could lead to a fine of \$125.



Learn more: mississauga.ca/808

# Stormwater Infrastructure Crucial During Extreme Weather

A critical, but largely invisible, stormwater infrastructure system plays a pivotal role in easing the impact of extreme weather events that are happening in Mississauga. Stormwater is the rain or melted snow that runs off properties and roads that drains into Lake Ontario during storms. Our stormwater system helps manage this run off to reduce the risk of flooding to properties, lower erosion to creeks and limit



the amount of pollution entering Lake Ontario. Since 2016, over \$231.5 million has been invested in stormwater infrastructure with an additional \$340 million planned for the next 10 years. Investments will go toward ongoing maintenance, construction of flood management works, new pipes in the ground, and repairs to creek and river banks to prevent erosion.

#### **More Service - More Often**

This September, MiWay enhanced its services to better meet the growing transit needs of Mississauga's residents. A new Burnhamthorpe Express Route 126 was introduced, running between the University of Toronto Mississauga and Kipling Bus Terminal, with buses operating every 17 minutes during peak times. Service improvements on Routes 44 and 110 provided students traveling to and from the University of Toronto Mississauga campus with additional travel options. Additionally, improving service frequencies on busy routes 5, 26, 35, 42, and 43 helped reduce overcrowding.

Learn more: mississauga.ca/810



### **Be Alert** While Using Roads

It's that time of year when daylight hours are getting shorter, reducing visibility on our roadways, especially during morning and evening commutes. We're reminding all road users, whether you're driving, walking, cycling, riding a scooter, or taking



transit, to stay alert and follow the rules of the road to keep yourself and others safe. Drivers should follow the posted speed limit and watch for all other road users, especially when turning or reversing. Pedestrians, cyclists and scooter riders should use designated crosswalks or crossrides when possible and use lights and reflectors to increase their visibility.

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