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CONSTRUCTION BEGINS ON SECOND HOSPITAL



Second hospital groundbreaking at the Peel Memorial site, Mar. 28, 2025 – MPP Surma (Min. of Infrastructure) Steve Robinson (Osler), MPP McGregor (Min. of Citizenship and Multiculturalism), MPP Williams, Ken Mayhew (Osler), Mayor Brown, Premier Ford, Dr. Frank Martino (Osler), Deputy Premier Jones, MPP Grewal, MPP Kusendova-Bashta (Min. Long-Term Care)



Peel Memorial Hospital, circa 1924 groundbreaking ceremony

The province's chronic underfunding for health care in Brampton is well known with the city's per capita allocation of hospital beds being historically under half the number than the provincial average – the lowest ratio in the province. In January 2020, City Council declared a health care emergency and have been actively advocating for a *Fair Deal for Brampton* ever since.

One percent of property taxes have been going towards our second hospital and the March 28 groundbreaking ceremony signals the beginning of the dream of better care, closer to home, becoming a reality. The Province of Ontario has committed nearly \$2 billion towards this vital project ensuring Brampton's health care capacity meets the demands of today and the future. The development of Brampton's second hospital is also made possible by the leadership and vision of William Osler Health System and its Foundation.

“As the city celebrates the 100th anniversary of Peel Memorial Hospital opening in 1925, it is a moment to reflect on the humble origins of the hospital into a modern health care facility that continues to evolve to meet the ever-changing needs of Brampton's growing and diverse community. I am thankful to the province for their support, proud of our team at City Hall and I am grateful we are finally getting our second hospital.”

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BILLIONS IN NEW FUNDING COMING TO BRAMPTON

TUNNELED LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT COMING TO DOWNTOWN BRAMPTON

LRT EXTENSION TO BRING UNDERGROUND RAPID TRANSIT TO BRAMPTON'S DOWNTOWN CORE

The provincial government announced their commitment to extend Light-rail Transit (LRT) into downtown Brampton with plans to tunnel a four-kilometre section. The underground extension will run from the Brampton Gateway Terminal to historic downtown Brampton, linking the Hazel McCallion Line to the heart of the city. This investment ensures seamless integration with Brampton Transit, Züm, GO Transit and other regional transit systems, providing residents and businesses with improved accessibility and convenience.

Key benefits for Brampton:

- **Enhanced connectivity:** connecting downtown Brampton with transit systems across the GTHA
- **Reduced congestion:** ease traffic on Brampton's busiest roads.
- **Environmental sustainability:** near-zero emissions - clean, electrically powered
- **Economic growth:** creation of 17,000 jobs over project lifespan



FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PARTNERS WITH BRAMPTON'S LRT PROJECT

The City of Brampton welcomed the announcement from the federal government on its support for the advancement of the Hazel McCallion Light Rail Transit (LRT) extension into downtown Brampton through the Metro-Region Agreement (MRA) stream of the Canada Public Transit Fund (CPTF).

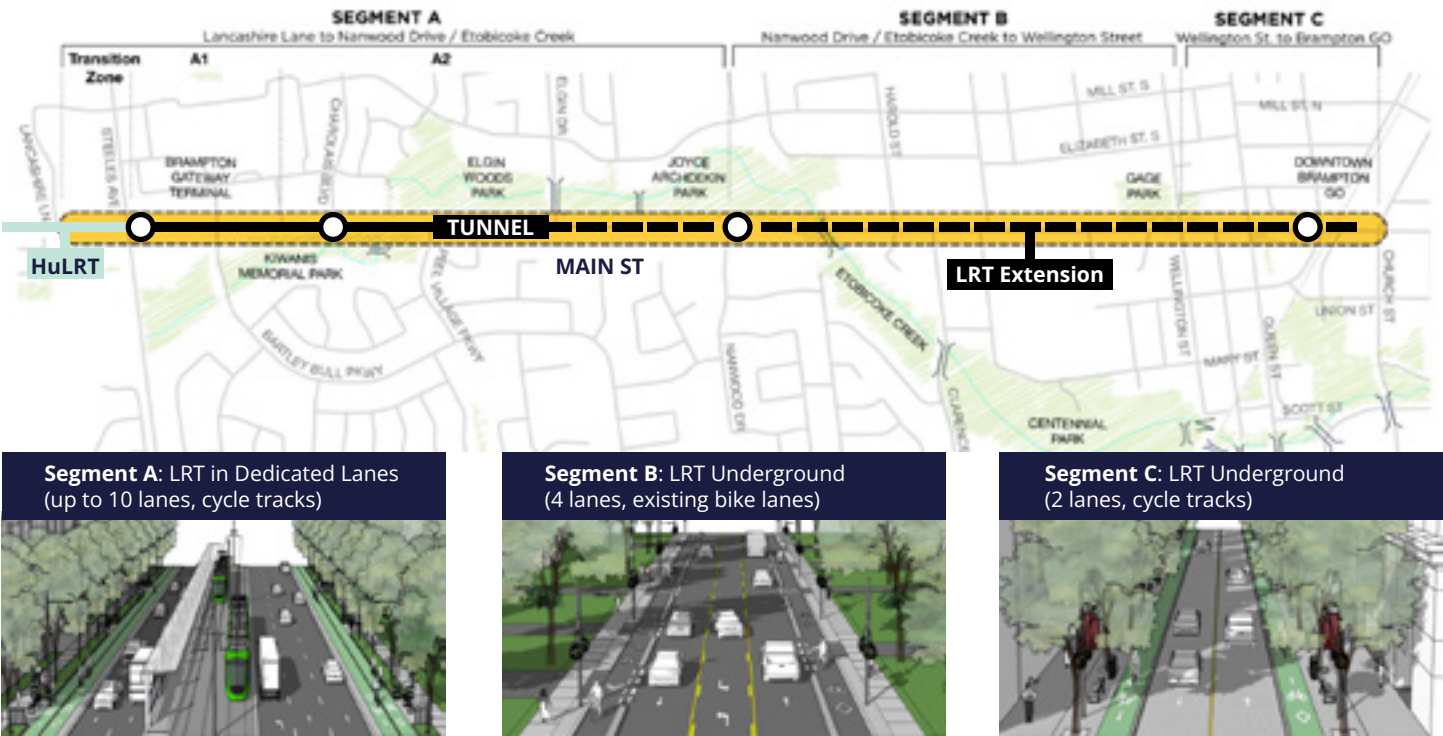
Nathaniel Erskine-Smith, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities delivered the news of Ottawa's support. It builds an even stronger partnership for the LRT following the Ontario government's commitment in late January.

The City of Brampton has long advocated for the extension of the Hazel McCallion LRT with a tunnel section into downtown Brampton as a vital component of its transportation and economic development strategy.



“ This multi-billion-dollar project is the largest in the history of Brampton. I am so grateful to all our partners as achieving this vision required collective effort, resolve and determination. We look forward to working with all levels of government to advance this critical transit project and we remain committed to delivering a world-class transportation network that supports housing and the city's overall growth and prosperity. ”

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Note: All renderings are conceptual and subject to change.



(L-R) Top row: Harkirat Singh (Deputy Mayor), Minister Prabmeet Singh Sarkari (Transportation), MP Ruby Sahota, Minister Kamal Khera (Health), Gurpartap Singh Toor (Councillor). Bottom row: Navjit Kaur Brar (Councillor), MP Sonia Sidhu, Rowena Santos (Councillor), MP Shafqat Ali, MP Maninder Sidhu, Minister Nathaniel Erskine-Smith (Housing, Infrastructure and Communities), Patrick Brown (Mayor), Paul Vicente (Councillor), Rod Power (Councillor), Dennis Keenan (Councillor)

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GTA'S FIRST NEW MEDICAL SCHOOL IN 100 YEARS SET TO OPEN

With a strong partnership between the City of Brampton, Government of Ontario and Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU), Brampton's school of medicine, located at the Bramalea Civic Centre, at 150 Central Park Drive will be opening this summer!

TMU's School of Medicine is a great win for Mayor Brown and Council's staunch advocacy to secure fair and equitable health care for residents. The school will include 80 undergraduate seats and 95 postgraduate positions to ensure the next generation of health care practitioners can train locally in the city. It will also make Brampton the home of a community-centric medical school focused on inclusivity, innovation, and primary care.

Admission criteria will be difficult for applicants with only approximately 1.5% of students being accepted (ex: Harvard Medical School accepts approximately 3% of applicants annually). With an intake of upwards of 6,000 applicants and with the highest standard of admission criteria in the country, Brampton's Medical School will ensure only the brightest medical minds in Canada are chosen for enrollment.

HOCKEY NIGHT IN BRAMPTON IV

Community support continues to play a critical role in advancing health care in Brampton. Last year, Mayor Brown's Hockey Night in Brampton raised a record-breaking \$14 million in support of the new hospital. As the largest community charity hockey games in Canadian history, the event highlights the strength and generosity of the Brampton community and its commitment to building a stronger local health care system. Don't miss this year's event on August 20, 2025.

SAVE THE DATE! hockeynightbrampton.ca

Learn more about the project and **share your memories of Peel Memorial's 100-year legacy.** Scan the code!



All-Star, Mitch Marner of the Toronto Maple Leafs at 2024 Hockey Night in Brampton

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