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As fall arrives, I am pleased to reconnect with you and share important updates from the City of Brampton. I am grateful for your continued trust and engagement, which remain at the core of the decisions and initiatives that shape our community. Serving as your Regional Councillor is a privilege and I remain committed to working with you to strengthen and enrich our neighbourhoods.

Over the past months, significant progress has been made on several priorities, from advancing road safety to enhancing recreational access.

The City has also launched a new Recreation Registration App, making it easier for residents to explore programs, view schedules and register from any device. Learn more at **brampton.ca/recreation**

As we move forward, your feedback will continue to shape our work. I encourage you to reach out with ideas, concerns or suggestions. Your voice is essential in ensuring our community's needs are addressed.

Please feel free to contact me at **pat.fortini@brampton.ca**. I am here to listen, act and serve you.

Pat Fortini

As we welcome the fall season, I want to take a moment to wish everyone a smooth transition back to school and routine. This time of year brings renewed energy to our community, and with it, a reminder of the importance of safety—especially in our community safety zones.

It was exciting connecting with so many residents throughout the summer, listening to your concerns, and hearing what we are doing right. These conversations continue to guide the work we do together, and I remain committed to ensuring that your voices shape the priorities we focus on as a community.

As the seasons change, please take extra care on our roads as children travel to and from school, and let's continue to look out for one another. Together, we can keep our neighborhoods safe, welcoming, and supportive of all families and residents.

I encourage you to stay connected with me and with one another as we head into this season of growth, learning, and community spirit.

Rod Power



EXPANDING BRAMPTON'S RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LICENSING PROGRAM

The City of Brampton's Residential Rental Licensing (RRL) program ensures rental homes meet fire, building, and property standards, protecting tenants and creating safer, healthier neighbourhoods. Currently, rental properties in Wards 1, 3, 4, 5 and 7 with four or fewer units must be licensed. To support landlords, fees are waived for the remainder of 2025, and eligible landlords can receive a free smoke alarm for a limited time. In 2026, the program will expand to Wards 2 and 8, where fees will also be waived, and introduce enhanced training, streamlined applications and updated licence classifications. Learn more at brampton.ca/RRL



MAKE WINTER BREAK FUN WITH BRAMPTON CAMPS

Turn the school break into an adventure with Brampton Recreation's Winter Break Camps, running December 22 to January 2. Kids ages 4 to 13 can choose from Camp Winter Fun, Camp Einstein, Camp Kids in the Kitchen and Camp Sports. Inclusive options are also available through Camp No Limits for ages 6 to 13, 14 to 20 and 21+. Spots fill quickly – explore our programs and register today at brampton.ca/registerforprograms



STAY SAFE WITH SEASONAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

With winter approaching, now is the time to prepare. Dress in warm, layered clothing and limit time outdoors during extreme cold. Winterize your vehicle with an emergency kit, blankets, snacks and traction aids. At home, stock a 72-hour emergency kit with food, water, medications and a communication plan. Clear snow and ice from sidewalks and around fire hydrants to support emergency services. Learn more at brampton.ca/prepared



BRINGING SAFETY CONVERSATIONS TO YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

The Brampton Community Safety Advisory Committee brings residents, local agencies and City officials together to raise awareness and take action on safety issues. Supported by the Community Safety and Well-Being Office, the Committee advises Council and promotes community safety initiatives. For 2025, there are meetings taking place across Brampton -- making it easier for you to join the conversation and share your voice. Stay informed and get involved! Details at brampton.ca/communitysafety

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW WHEN IT SNOWS

Winter crews plow major roads first, then local roads after 5 cm of snow. Street parking is prohibited during snow clearing and all permits are suspended. Illegally parked vehicles may be ticketed, towed and impounded at the owner's expense. Fines for first offence is \$125, second is \$250, subsequent is \$500.

Remember to clear snow and ice from sidewalks by 11 am the day after snowfall ends. The City's expanded Financial Assistance Program helps seniors and people with disabilities, including renters, with snow removal. Learn more at brampton.ca/snow



CHECK OUT THE NEW PARKS & REC CONSTRUCTION MAP

Stay up to date with Brampton's new Parks & Recreation Construction Map -- an interactive tool offering the latest updates on current, upcoming and completed projects citywide. The map features four categories: New Park Development, Park Revitalization, New Recreation Facilities and Recreation Facility Improvements. From splash pads and playgrounds to major facility upgrades, these projects are designed to enhance community spaces and expand access to quality amenities. Explore the map to see what's happening in your neighbourhood. Learn more at brampton.ca/recreation



COYOTE AWARENESS AND SAFETY

Coyotes are part of Brampton’s natural environment and we can safely share our spaces with them by taking a few precautions. Keep pets leashed, remove food sources from yards and parks and never feed wildlife. Residents are encouraged to check Brampton’s Coyote Sightings Tracker and report any sightings online. Together, we can protect both our pets and our neighbourhoods. Learn more at brampton.ca/coyotes



PAY YOUR PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are billed twice a year, with residents receiving both an Interim and Final Notice bill. Payment is made in three instalments and can be completed by cheque, debit, in person at a Service Brampton location or your bank, online through your bank’s website or by enrolling in the pre-authorized payment plan. Learn more at brampton.ca/tax

REPLACE YOUR SMOKE ALARMS

Smoke alarms have a lifespan of 10 years and must be replaced when they expire or if they are malfunctioning. Residents should check the date on their smoke alarms regularly to ensure they are in good working order. Proper maintenance and timely replacement can save lives. Learn more at brampton.ca/smokealarms



SAFE AND RESPONSIBLE PARKING

Residents are reminded to follow parking rules to help keep Brampton’s streets safe and accessible. Street parking is not permitted between 2 am and 6 am, and vehicles may not be parked for more than three hours without a permit. Drivers must ensure they do not block traffic, sidewalks, fire hydrants or bike lanes and should only park in designated areas. Learn more at brampton.ca/bylaws



KEEP BRAMPTON CLEAN

Proper waste disposal helps keep our city clean and welcoming. Dumping garbage in public spaces is prohibited. Residents should use the Region of Peel’s waste services and compost bins for food waste, store bins securely off sidewalks/streets and keep lids closed to prevent litter. Bins should only be placed at the curb after 7 pm the night before collection. Learn more at brampton.ca/bylaws

MAINTAIN HEALTHY TREES

Regular tree maintenance is essential for safety and neighbourhood appearance. Pruning helps prevent the spread of disease by removing dead or dying branches and trimming long or low-hanging branches improves visibility and access. Under City property standards, the lower half of all trees must be kept free of low branches. Failure to properly maintain trees can result in fines. Learn more at brampton.ca/treecare





I'm fortunate to work alongside an exceptional team of intelligent, dedicated individuals who help run my office and ensure residents' needs are met with care and efficiency. If you've ever called or visited City Hall, you've likely met Rupinder (beside me, on the right). She is my Executive Assistant. With over a decade of experience in the Council Office and a deep well of knowledge from various levels of government, Rupinder is an invaluable asset to our team.

Earlier this year, we welcomed Anhadvir (far right) as our new Council Aide. A part-time commerce student at York University, he brings a strong background in community engagement and public service and has quickly become a vital contributor to our work.

This summer, I had the pleasure of hiring two outstanding high school students: Amrit (second on my right), from North Park Secondary School and Victoria (far left), from St. Thomas Aquinas. These bright young individuals have been exploring the world of municipal governance, sharpening their research, writing skills and gaining hands-on experience in local government.

And last—but certainly not least—is Samaj (on my left), our dedicated weekly volunteer. He plays a key role in organizing and managing our office database, helping us stay efficient and responsive. (August 2025)



The Lake of Dreams neighbourhood is an active group of local residents, working hard to advocate for improvements for the benefit of the whole community. I want to especially thank the main organizers – Vineet Arora and Ramat Gill for their hard-work throughout the year. What a committed duo!



I was happy to host a community information meeting for residents in June at the Earnscliffe Recreation Centre. We heard important updates from the Peel Regional Police and from our Bylaw & Enforcement teams and our Planning & Development staff on upcoming applications. Stay tuned for upcoming town hall meetings this fall – please follow me on my social media accounts for more details about dates, times and locations.



Building back community in Brampton means creating a city where every resident feels connected, supported and proud to call it home. It is about supporting local businesses and celebrating the diversity that makes Brampton unique.

Engaging with residents, through many community street parties, neighbourhood meetings, cultural events, meet and greets, my own community BBQ, my backpack giveaway, partnering with a school in Ward 7 and Habitat for Humanity on a special project and a couple fresh food markets trying to help those with food affordability.



BRAMPTON NYE

December 31, 2025

Check out the full event list visit at
experiencebrampton.ca 

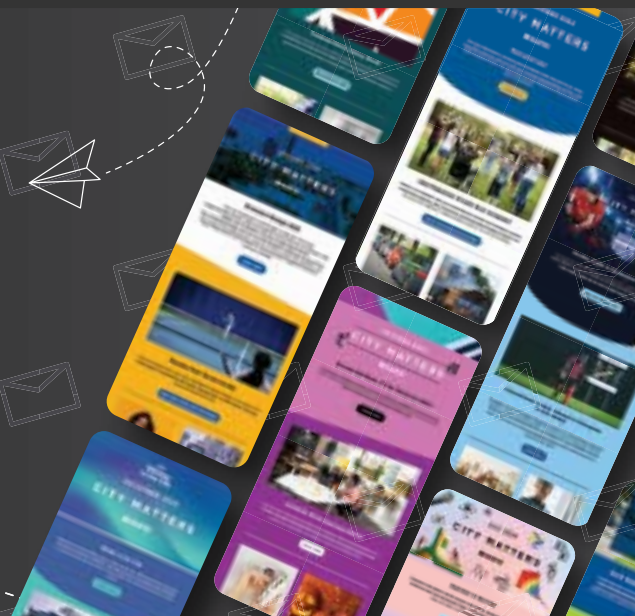
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