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Dear Friends and Neighbours,

Thank you for allowing me to be your representative on Mississauga City Council and Peel Regional Council.

I am happy to bring you my winter newsletter, which contains information about what is happening in our Ward 8 community and across the city this season!

I encourage you to get out and enjoy our parks, trails, local shops and restaurants, libraries, indoor sports courts, festivals and celebrations - including the very special activities to celebrate Mississauga's 50th anniversary of becoming a City.

As we head into winter, please assist your elderly neighbours with snow clearing. This is also a reminder that the City's on-street parking regulations change during winter. Please help our

plows to safely and efficiently clear our roads.

For the latest news and information, please sign up for my e-newsletter at mattmahoney.ca to keep up-to-date on all City and Regional issues. I welcome your thoughts and ideas on how we can continue to make Ward 8 and Mississauga a wonderful place to live.

On behalf of my staff and I, we wish you a very happy and healthy 2024.

Warmest regards,

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On the Path to Independence



With the passing of Bill 112 or the *Hazel McCallion Act*, the process has begun to dissolve the Regional Municipality of Peel and grant independent status to Mississauga. A provincially appointed, five-member transition board will work in collaboration with the City of Mississauga, the City of Brampton, Peel Region and the Town of Caledon on the equitable distribution of assets and resources, and to ensure all essential services continue to be delivered without disruption.

Learn more:
mississauga.ca/OurCityOurFuture

Mississauga Celebrates 50 years in 2024

In 1974, the Towns of Streetsville, Port Credit and the Township of Mississauga were incorporated to form the vibrant and diverse City of Mississauga. In 2024, the City will celebrate the 50th anniversary of this milestone. It will be a time to reflect on our past, celebrate the present and envision the great things to come in the next 50 years.

The City and community will host year-long activities, events and celebrations starting with this upcoming New Year's Eve at Mississauga Celebration Square.

Learn more: mississauga.ca/50



How to Get Involved in the 2024 Budget

Did you know the City of Mississauga delivers more than 200 services, including public transit, fire and emergency services, libraries, recreation programs, snow clearing and parks? In addition, the City also invests in

building, maintaining, rehabilitating and remodelling infrastructure such as roads, bridges, trails, stormwater facilities, sidewalks and more.

Watch the City's social media channels to stay informed about upcoming Budget Committee dates to review the proposed 2024 Budget.

Below are some of the investments made in the 2023 Budget already underway.

Visit our website to understand the City's Budget process. Stay informed and provide your feedback.

Learn more: mississauga.ca/budget

Adequate Temperature By-Law

As the weather cools down this fall, the City wants to remind landlords and tenants that the Adequate Temperature By-Law will ensure buildings are maintained at a suitable temperature during fluctuating and extreme weather.

The by-law requires landlords to provide adequate and suitable heat, meaning the air temperature in a unit is at least 20 degrees Celsius. The by-law also requires landlords to provide adequate and suitable cooling, meaning that the air temperature in a unit does not exceed 26 degrees Celsius when equipped or furnished with an air conditioning system. Additionally, adequate and suitable heat and cooling must be maintained in all unit areas.

Learn more: mississauga.ca/bylaws

\$1.9 million
for new & replacement tree plantings

\$83.8 million
for hybrid bus acquisitions

\$3.6 million
for sidewalks

\$25.6 million
winter maintenance budget

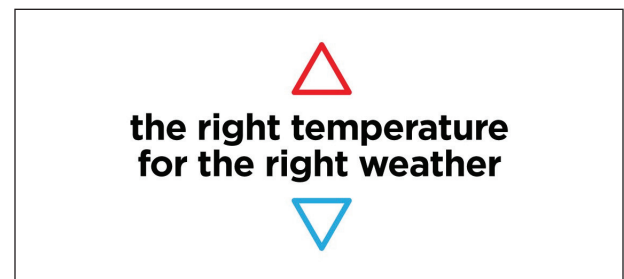
\$21.5 million
for road rehabilitation

\$268 million
for maintaining infrastructure

Hazel McCallion Central Library
reopening

New Malton Youth Hub
opening

\$3.5 million
in efficiencies & cost savings



Winter Road Safety Tips



Mississauga roads will be busier than ever this holiday season. Please stay alert and be safe when moving around the city.

Practice safe driving behaviour this winter. Remember to:

- **Clean off your car:** clear snow and ice from all windows, the roof of your car and headlights to ensure you have an unobstructed view so others can see you.
- **Avoid distractions:** focus on the road when driving. Send text messages or make phone calls before you get in your car or reach your destination.
- **Drive for the road conditions:** slow down in bad weather conditions, like snow or ice. Give snow-clearing equipment room to do their job.

- **Plan a safe way home:** don't drive impaired (alcohol or cannabis). Rely on a safe transportation option instead.
- **Give yourself more time:** get to your destination safely by planning extra travel time.
- **Look for pedestrians and cyclists:** evenings get darker sooner this time of year, so it's important to scan for pedestrians and cyclists before turning, when entering/exiting driveways or roadways, and in parking lots as they are busy this time of year. Be cautious when making turns around snowbanks, as they can impact visibility.

For more road safety information and additional safety tips, visit mississauga.ca/roadsafety.

Keep Winter Fun and Safe: Don't Play with Fire

Help prevent fires from starting this winter season.

Here are a few tips on how to stay safe:

- **Keep the kitchen cool:** ensure all appliances are monitored and turned off after use.
- **Handle the heat:** keep anything that can burn or catch on fire at least three feet away from heat sources, such as a fireplace, stove, heater or furnace.
- **Use common sense:** candles shouldn't be placed near window coverings or high-traffic areas.
- **Decorate and design safely:** carefully check all cords and plugs to ensure they are not frayed or damaged. Keep your tree away from heat sources.
- **Keep your guests safe:** check your smoke alarms, as they should be replaced every 10 years and on every storey of your home.

Learn more: mississauga.ca/fire



Winter Maintenance: Snow Clearing

The City's winter crews are ready to respond to snowfall all season long to help keep you moving safely.

Maintenance crews clear priority roads and sidewalks, on-street bike lanes, bus stops, pedestrian crossings, and specific trails within 12 to 24 hours of the snow stopping.

It may take longer to clear roads and sidewalks if there are back-to-back storms or a significant weather event. You can use the new Snow Plow Tracker to view a map of snow-clearing routes and track our entire fleet.

Learn more: mississauga.ca/snow



Exercise Caution as Coyote Mating Season Begins

Coyotes begin searching for their partners in January and start mating in February. During this time of the year, you may:

- See or encounter coyotes in search of a mating partner.
- Hear howling and yipping as coyotes communicate and mark their territory.

During mating season, incidents involving coyotes and pets can occur. This is because coyotes are more visible and can be more protective, defensive or bold in protecting their pups and territory.

Follow the safety tips below to keep your pets from getting involved with coyotes:

- Keep a close eye on pets when you let them out in your yard.
- Go outside with your pet when they're in the yard.
- Keep your pet on a six-foot, non-extendable leash when walking them.
- Feed your pets indoors or remove their food bowl after eating.
- Clean up after your pets to avoid attracting coyotes and other wildlife to the area.

You can safely co-exist with coyotes at any time of the year with the proper awareness and understanding of staying safe.

Learn more: mississauga.ca/animalservices



Outdoor Skating Rinks

The City has two artificial outdoor rinks and more than 30 open natural ice rinks, weather permitting. All outdoor skating rinks are free.

Mississauga Celebration Square Ice Rink (300 City Centre Dr.)

The outdoor skating rink is scheduled to open on November 25 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. (holiday hours may differ) until March 19 (weather permitting).

Learn more: saugalive.ca

Woodhurst Heights Park Skating Rink (3475 Ash Row Cres.)

This quaint neighbourhood outdoor skating rink is scheduled to open on December 17 (weather permitting) and will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

For the program schedule, visit activemississauga.ca

Looking for a natural ice rink? Check out Bruce Reynolds Park, Garthwood Park, Pheasant Run Park, Sherwood Green, Thornlodge Park (pending volunteer participation). For more information, visit mississauga.ca/parks

Please remember to stay off frozen bodies of water in Mississauga – they aren't safe in the winter.



Winter Waste Management in City Parks

Did you know that the City maintains 7,813 acres (161 hectares) of parkland?

The Parks Operations team manages waste collection at all City parks, trails, spray pads and sports fields. During the winter, as usage declines, waste containers are scaled back and removed before significant winter weather occurs.

During the winter, waste containers will be available in parks and on trails in high-traffic areas and will continue to be emptied regularly. The containers that have been removed will return in the spring.

If you see a full container needing emptying, please report it by calling 311.



Mississauga's Holiday Parking Tips

Are you planning to have guests over this holiday season?

For temporary (or short-term) parking, Mississauga residents can request a temporary parking permit by visiting our website or by calling 311.

Temporary parking permits allow parking on the unsigned portion of a residential street longer than five hours and during the prohibited period between 2 to 6 a.m.

When it snows, please keep parked vehicles off residential streets to make room for salters and plows. Parked vehicles can block winter crews and slow down snow clearing for emergency vehicles and residents.

If you have a temporary parking permit, it may be suspended at any time during a snowfall to safely clear roads. To find out if temporary parking requests have been cancelled, contact 311 or follow @MississaugaSnow on X (formerly Twitter).

Councillor Mahoney 2022 - 2026 Committee List

City of Mississauga

Accessibility Advisory
Advertising & Review Panel
Budget Committee
Council
Environmental Action, Chair
General Committee
Governance, Vice Chair
Mississauga Public Library Board
Planning & Development
Towing & Trucking Industry Advisory

Region of Peel

Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory
Diversity, Equity and Anti-Racism Committee of Revision
Credit Valley Conservation, Vice Chair
Regional Council
Regional Budget
Waste Management Strategic Advisory

ANIMAL SERVICES

Keep me wild.
Please don't feed me.

mississauga.ca/animalservices



Save The Date

Councillor Mahoney will be hosting the **Ward 8 Family Skate** (complimentary) on **Sunday, February 4, 2024**, from **2:15 to 3:45 pm** at Erin Mills Twin Arena (Rink 2).



KNOW WHO TO CALL

211 is for confidential information and referral to non-emergency community, health and social services in Peel Region. Examples include:

- doctors accepting patients
- employment leads
- social housing resources

311 provides residents with direct access to local municipal government programs and services in Mississauga. Examples include:

- municipal property taxes
- parking enforcement
- parks and forestry inquiries

911 is for life-threatening emergencies or crimes. Examples include:

- a fire
- a crime in progress
- a medical emergency

Visit mississauga.ca for more information.

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