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Dear Ward 11 Neighbours,

Thank you for allowing me the honour and privilege of being your elected representative on Mississauga City Council. I am truly so very proud and honoured to represent you and be a voice for our community at City Council. You have my full commitment that I will work hard to represent you and your interests and get things done for our community at City Hall.

I am excited to share with you my very first City of Mississauga newsletter, Spring / Summer 2023 edition. I hope you find it useful and informative. As you may know, on May 18, 2023, the provincial government announced the dissolution of Peel Region, resulting in the independence of Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon. I, along with my fellow Council colleagues, welcome this announcement and decision, and collectively we look forward to becoming an independent city, in full control of our decision-making, priorities, and future.

As you may also know, City Council approved the 2023-2025 Business Plan and 2023 Budget at Council earlier this year. Please be assured that City Council has made every effort to keep

tax increases to a minimum, while also funding municipal services and infrastructure that residents need. As we begin next year's budget process, Council will work hard to continue to keep tax increases to a minimum and provide the best value for your tax dollars.

I am very pleased to highlight investments in our expansive network of parks, trails, and greenspaces, including Credit Meadows Park expansion, Second Line West Fitness Trail, and the exciting development of a brand new Rail Trail along the former Orangeville Railway Development Corporation corridor! I have consistently heard from residents that speeding and aggressive driving is a key concern in our community, and please be assured that I will continue to work together with the community, City Staff, and Peel Police to ensure our roadways are safe for everyone. I am pleased to report future traffic calming installations on Erin Centre Boulevard (2023), Kenninghall Boulevard (2023), Bancroft Drive (2024), and Old Derry Rd (2024).

Throughout this newsletter, you will also find more information on the Streetsville Heritage Conservation District Plan; changes

to municipal planning processes as a result of Provincial Bill 23 and Bill 109; the current municipal Fireworks By-law and Driveway Widening By-law reviews; and the City's action plan for new housing.

Once again, it is truly an honour to serve as your City Councillor, and I invite you to share your thoughts, suggestions and questions with me at any time. My staff Kimberly Duarte, Anita A. Solomon, and I are always available to assist you with any concerns that you may have, and to listen to your ideas and thoughts on municipal issues and how to continue to make our community a safe and great place in which to live.

Sincerely,



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Province Grants Mississauga's Request for Independence

As you may know, on May 18, 2023, the provincial government announced the dissolution of Peel Region, through the Hazel McCallion Act, resulting in the independence of Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon. This decision follows many years of advocacy by Mississauga and will give the City greater control over its decision-making and the ability to focus on its own priorities.

Through the regional governance model, the cities of Mississauga, Brampton, and the Town of Caledon have been operating under the jurisdiction of Peel Region. Mississauga is the third largest city in Ontario and the seventh in Canada, with a population approaching 800,000 and the second-highest GDP in the province at more than \$52 billion. It is also the largest city in Ontario to still be part of a Region.

In February, Mississauga City Council unanimously passed another resolution



reaffirming its desire to be a stand-alone, single-tier municipality and to separate from Peel Region. Mississauga Council has long believed that our city has outgrown the regional governance model and is ready to become its own single-tier municipality - separate from Peel Region. Mississauga has the ability to make its own decisions, focused on Mississauga priorities, not those of Brampton, Caledon or Peel Region. We would be able to deliver faster, better and more integrated decisions, especially in land use, transportation planning, and financial services, and, there would be a significant amount of duplication eliminated.

Mississauga residents have always provided more than 60 per cent of funding to the Region and at times, as high as 70 per cent. Mississauga is now a mature city that is at a different stage

of development and growth than its regional counterparts, Brampton and Caledon. With our cities at different stages of growth and development, it makes sense to move away from a single, regional governance model.

As per the announcement, the province also appointed a Transition Board to facilitate the change in local government and if needed, oversee the financial affairs of Peel and its lower tier municipalities, with all changes made by January 1, 2025. More details on the transition will be available in the weeks and months ahead.

As you may know, Peel Region currently manages several services such as water and waste water, waste collection, policing, paramedics services, Peel Housing and public health. How these services will be operated in the future will be part of the discussions. Mississauga is committed to continuing to deliver these services with no disruption during the negotiations.

To learn more about Mississauga's position to become the next single-tier municipality in Ontario, please visit **mississauga.ca/ourcityyourfuture**. Please be assured that I will continue to keep the community fully updated throughout this process and before any changes are made.

2023 Approved City Budget

As you may know, City Council approved the City of Mississauga's 2023-2025 Business Plan and 2023 Budget at Council earlier this year.

I want to assure you that City Council has made every effort to keep tax increases to a minimum, while also funding the critical municipal services and infrastructure that residents rely upon, such as snow clearing, transit, recreation, parks, emergency services, and roadways, to name a few. I also voted against a 3% infrastructure levy in an effort to further reduce the tax impact; however, this vote did not pass at Council. As we move forward with next year's budget process, I want to assure you that Council will strive to continue to keep tax increases to a minimum and provide the best value for your tax dollars.

The 2023 City budget is focused on maintaining a safe and healthy community and investing in infrastructure, building and growth. This is a no-frills budget that is designed to maintain service levels while minimizing the impacts on residents as we address ongoing pressures from inflation and the lagging effects of COVID-19.

This year's budget makes important investments including:

- **\$83.8 million for hybrid bus acquisitions**
- **\$25.6 million for winter maintenance**
- **\$3.6 million for sidewalks**
- **\$21.5 million for road rehabilitation**
- **\$11 million for fire prevention activities**
- **\$1.9 million for new and replacement tree plantings**

Mississauga residents will see a 3 per cent increase on the City portion of the Residential Tax Bill and business owners will see a 2 per cent increase on the City portion of the Commercial/Industrial Tax Bill.

The City has implemented cost containment strategies to help bring down costs. The 2023 Budget contains savings of \$3.5 million (a 0.6 per cent reduction in the City's net costs) achieved through continuous improvement and cost containment initiatives. For more information on the City's budget, please visit mississauga.ca/budget.

Safe City Mississauga's Neighbourhood Watch



As your Councillor, the safety of our community is a top priority for me, and you have my commitment to work together with the community and public safety agencies like Peel Police and Safe City Mississauga to ensure our neighbourhoods are safe places for everyone.

As you may recall from our community town hall meetings earlier this year, Safe City Mississauga Staff attended and spoke about their excellent Neighbourhood Watch community safety program. If you haven't already done so, I strongly encourage you and your neighbours to start or join a Neighbourhood Watch today, as a way of making your community a safer place.

Neighbourhood Watch is an organized group of neighbours looking out for one another, and each other's property. The no-cost program focuses on neighbourhood transparency, and encourages residents to be aware of crime and suspicious activity that may be happening around them.

In a Neighbourhood Watch, the objective is that incidents are reported, not only to police, but also (anonymously) with your neighbours. By participating in the Watch, everyone is alert and working together to maintain safety in their neighbourhood. While the program has been shown to reduce criminal activity, one of the greatest benefits is that it brings people closer together, into a stronger community.

The Mississauga Neighbourhood Watch program remains one of the largest crime prevention programs in partnership with, and delivered alongside, the Peel Regional Police.

Ward 11 has many active Neighbourhood Watch groups, so join your neighbours and start a Neighbourhood Watch today at safecitymississauga.on.ca/programs/neighbourhood-watch.



Slow Streets Program



In 2020, the City launched Slow Streets (formally known as Quiet Streets). On Slow Streets, temporary traffic calming devices such as barricades, flexible bollards, barrels and signage are installed on neighbourhood streets to reduce traffic speeds.

Slow Streets give pedestrians and cyclists space to move around safely. They provide space for all road users and reduce speeding and aggressive driving behaviour. Roadways remain accessible to all traffic and allow for the passage of two-way traffic including emergency vehicles, road maintenance vehicles and waste management vehicles.

Slow Streets measures are installed temporarily and will begin to be removed on November 1st each year when winter maintenance activities begin. If you'd like Slow Streets devices installed on your street, please call 311 (905-615-4311 outside City limits). Slow Streets will not be considered on:

- Major collector or arterial roadways
- Multi-lane roadways
- Roadways that have MiWay transit routes
- Roadways where the equipment cannot be safely accommodated
- Roadways with significant on-street parking activity

Successful deployments from previous years may be considered for annual redeployments. To provide feedback on potential Slow Streets projects and view the latest survey results, please visit yoursay.mississauga.ca.

Ward 11 Park Projects

Our community is home to a beautiful and expansive network of parks, greenspaces, and trails. As your Councillor, you have my full commitment to continue requesting and supporting the improvement, enhancement, and expansion of our community's parks, trails, and greenspaces, and I am very pleased to provide you with the following update on some of our current Ward 11 park projects that may be of interest to you:

Credit Meadows Park Expansion

- To open up the former Harris lands, providing new park space, trails and connections to existing Credit Meadows park
- Archaeological Assessments to be complete summer 2023
- Construction spring 2023 - December 2024
- More info mississauga.ca/projects-and-strategies/environmental-assessments/credit-meadows-park-expansion

Second Line West Fitness Trail

- To provide fitness opportunities at the multi-use trail at Second Line West, between Sombrero Way and Donway Drive
- Construction completed in June 2023

- More info mississauga.ca/projects-and-strategies/city-projects/second-line-west-fitness-trail

Pedestrian Trail Connection Derry Road West to Culham Trail

- In partnership with the Region of Peel, the trail connection, from the Culham Trail to Derry Road West, was completed in May
- The project is supported by the City's Pedestrian Master Plan and the Region of Peel's 2018 Sustainable Transportation Strategy and Implementation Plan
- This switchback trail project completes the connection from the south side of Derry Road West, down to the Culham Trail

Orangeville Railway Development Corporation (ORDC) Rail Trail

- The City will be establishing a new Rail Trail along the former ORDC corridor
- Mississauga's portion of the ORDC corridor stretches from Atwood Lane to the Brampton border, north of Derry Road, totaling 1.15kms (2.516 ha. land area) of the 51.5kms (116.14 ha. land area)

- The project is in the pre-planning stage; a project design and development team has been established with the other municipalities of Brampton, Town of Caledon and the Town of Orangeville
- Project budget is approved over a number of years, commencing in 2024 with background studies, before moving into design and public engagement
- OPA and Rezoning will be required to designate the lands as Public Open Space OS2 (Open Space - City Park) to permit a trail use
- Public engagement process will be carried out by Community Services at a later date; more information to follow

1200 Old Derry Road Parkland Dedication

- As part of the Draft Plan of Subdivision for 1200 Old Derry Road (OZ 19/020 W11 and T-M19007), a parkland dedication of approximately 0.5 hectares is anticipated subject to OLT decision

Learn more about city projects at mississauga.ca/projects-and-strategies/city-projects/

Credit Meadows Park Expansion Overall Concept Plan



May 2023

Conceptual Only - Subject to Change



Pedestrian Trail Connection Derry Road West to Culham Trail



Second Line West Fitness Trail

Provincial Bill 23 Update

As you may know, Bill 23, the More Homes Built Faster Act, was passed in the Provincial Legislature last fall. Bill 23 works to implement some actions contained in Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan, with the goal of increasing housing supply in Ontario by building 1.5 million new homes by 2032.

The Bill makes significant changes to 10 Acts (including the Planning Act, Municipal Act, Development Charges (DCs) Act, Ontario Heritage Act, Conservation Authorities Act, Ontario Land Tribunal

(OLT) Act) and the Ontario Building Code. Bill 23 introduces sweeping changes with significant impacts on the City's ability to provide important housing-related infrastructure and services; it also limits the City's ability to deliver affordable housing and has impacts on heritage areas and the natural environment. Other important impacts of this legislation on municipal planning and development include the following:

- Elimination of third-party appeal rights for consents and minor variances

- Removal of site plan control requirements for most projects with fewer than 10 residential units
- Permit landowners to add up to three residential units "as of right" for land zoned for one home in residential areas without requiring a zoning by-law amendment

Discussions with the Province are ongoing to address issues and concerns with this legislation, and please be assured that I will continue to keep the community fully updated on this legislation, as it pertains to municipal planning matters.

Streetsville Heritage Conservation District Project



Our community is rich in history and heritage and home to Ontario's first Heritage Conservation District (HCD), Meadowvale Village, designated in 1980. This rich history and heritage is an integral part of our special community and must be preserved and protected for generations to come. To this end, I am pleased to report that revisions to the Ontario Heritage Act have come into force and plans for the Streetsville Heritage Conservation District can now move forward. Like historic Meadowvale Village, the Village of Streetsville is rich in history and has the largest grouping of heritage buildings in Mississauga and as such, is a strong candidate for HCD status.

I am pleased to advise that the City's Heritage Planning team have hired a consultant team, who will create the technical aspects of the Streetsville HCD plan. The project will have two parts: a feasibility study, which will determine the boundaries of the HCD, and the implementation and designation of the plan. The feasibility study will involve a fulsome consultation with the community, to understand what is considered the

historical and heritage area of Streetsville and research on the history of Streetsville. The implementation and designation will bring the HCD plan into force through a bylaw passed by Council. The project is anticipated to be completed by the end of 2024.

Community engagement is an important component of the project and there are many ways you can get involved:

- Visiting yoursay.mississauga.ca/streetsville to join the mailing list and complete campaign surveys, which will be available at key intervals during the project;
- Attend the first Community Meeting on October 18, 2023 (more details to follow);
- Do you have any historic photos of buildings and places in Streetsville from days-gone-bye? Send them to the City!

For more information about the Streetsville HCD project, please visit yoursay.mississauga.ca/streetsville or contact Paula Wubbenhorst at paula.wubbenhorst@mississauga.ca.

Help Calm Speeding in Your Neighbourhood with a Slow Down Lawn Sign

Residents can order and place a Slow Down lawn sign in front of their home to encourage safe driving and remind drivers to slow down in their neighbourhoods. Slow Down signs are one of the 99 actions identified in the Vision Zero Action Plan to help Mississauga reach the goal of zero fatal and serious collisions on the road network.

Where can you place a Slow Down lawn sign?

- Directly on or in front of your property
- At least two feet from the curb or the edge of the road
- Three metres or more from a fire hydrant
- Where it doesn't obstruct any line of sight for pedestrians, cyclists or drivers

You can order a free sign by calling 311. Learn more about the Slow Down lawn signs: mississauga.ca/roadsafety.



Provincial Bill 109 Update

In addition to Bill 23, last year, the Province passed Bill 109, the More Homes for Everyone Act. The Act amends the several pieces of legislation, including the Planning Act, and the Development Charges Act, 1997 and responds to recommendations from the Ontario Housing Affordability Task Force, to address housing affordability and housing supply in Ontario.

- The Act introduces new timelines municipalities must follow when making decisions on major development applications. In addition, the legislation includes a penalty system requiring some, or all, of the development application fees collected by the City to be refunded if the new timelines are not met, which would amount to more than \$7 million a year. According to the legislation, municipalities across Ontario must approve or make a decision on development applications according to the following timelines:
 - 60 days for a Site Plan application: used to evaluate items such as walkways, parking areas, landscaping or exterior design on a parcel of land where development is proposed
 - 90 days for a Zoning amendment: required when an applicant wants to develop a property in a way not permitted by the city's zoning bylaw
 - 120 days for a combined Zoning and Official Plan amendment: required when an applicant wants to develop a property in a way not permitted by both the city's zoning bylaw and official plan
 - The City is aiming to ensure community engagement remains part of the process despite the aggressive new timelines. Here are some of the changes to expect:
 - Early engagement: Developers will be required to engage with the community directly as they are putting their application together. They must submit a report on the results of their engagement to the City.
 - Simultaneous comment period: Complete applications will be posted on the City's website where members of the public can provide comments while staff are undertaking their review. These comments will inform and support the City's Recommendation Report.
 - Public meeting: The statutory public meeting date will be set approximately 80 days in advance and published as part of the complete application notice. The public meeting will occur when staff present the City's Recommendation Report to the Planning and Development Committee. The public may provide additional comments at this meeting.

As always, please be assured that I will continue to keep the community fully updated and informed of important matters affecting municipal planning and development, and I will be organizing meetings with the community on Ward 11 development applications, so please watch out for the meeting notices in your email and mail.

Traffic Calming in Ward 11

I have consistently heard from residents that speeding and aggressive driving is unfortunately a key concern in our community and our city. I share this concern, and please be assured that I will continue to work together with the community, City Staff, and Peel Police to ensure our roadways are safe for all roadway users.

The City of Mississauga has an excellent road safety and traffic calming program, with many measures that can be implemented on our roadways to tackle the problem of speeding and aggressive driving. Many of these measures have been implemented on roadways in Ward 11, and you have my commitment to continue to support the implementation of road safety and traffic calming measures to keep our roadways safe. Here is a snapshot of some of the road safety and traffic calming measures that have and will be implemented in our community:

Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE)

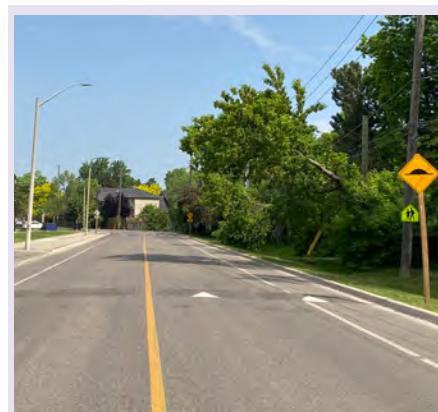
ASE uses a camera and a speed measurement device to help enforce speed limits in school area community safety zones. ASE has been deployed in the following school zones in Ward 11:

Camera Location	Enforcement Period
Old Derry Rd. – Second Line W. to Gooderham Estate Blvd.	Completed January 21, 2022
Church St. – Main St. to Queen St. South	Completed February 28, 2022
Swinbourne Dr. – Bancroft Dr. to Douguy Blvd.	Completed June 27, 2022
Gooderham Estate Blvd. – Old Derry Rd. to Silverthorn Mill Ave.	Completed August 4, 2022
Suburban Dr. – Plainsman Rd. to Ellesboro Dr.	Completed September 21, 2022
Historic Trail – Pepperidge Crossing to Lamplight Way	Completed December 16, 2022
Gaslamp Walk – Old Derry Rd. to John Watt Blvd.	Completed February 15, 2023
Samuelson Circle – Stockbridge Court to Derry Rd.	Completed April 18, 2023
Vista Blvd. – Erin Mills Blvd. to Vista Dr.	Began March 14, 2023
Old Derry Rd. – Second Line W. to Gooderham Estate Blvd.	Began May 9, 2023
Joymar Dr. – Donata Dr. to Thomas St.	Summer 2023
Swinbourne Dr. – Bancroft Dr. to Douguy Blvd.	Summer 2023
Church St. – Main St. to Queen St. South	Fall 2023

Traffic Calming Program

Traffic calming uses physical devices or design features of roads such as speed humps or raised pedestrian crossings to help reduce excessive traffic speeds. Traffic calming devices have been installed on the following roadways in Ward 11:

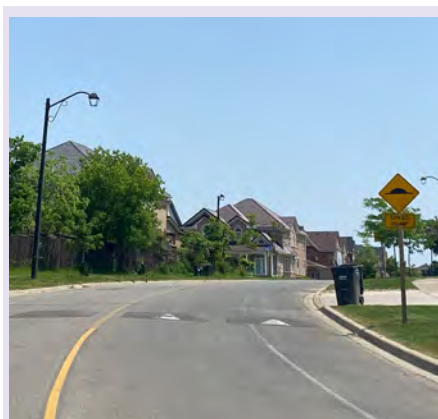
- Westbridge Way
- Twain Avenue
- Sombrero Way
- Second Line West
- Novo Star Drive
- Falconer Drive
- Gooderham Estate Boulevard
- Erin Centre Boulevard (2023)
- Kenninghall Boulevard (2023)
- Bancroft Drive (2024)
- Old Derry Rd (2024)



Falconer Drive



Novo Star Drive



Sombrero Way

For more information about the City’s road safety and traffic calming programs, please visit mississauga.ca/roadsafety.

Fireworks By-law Review & Driveway Widening By-law Review



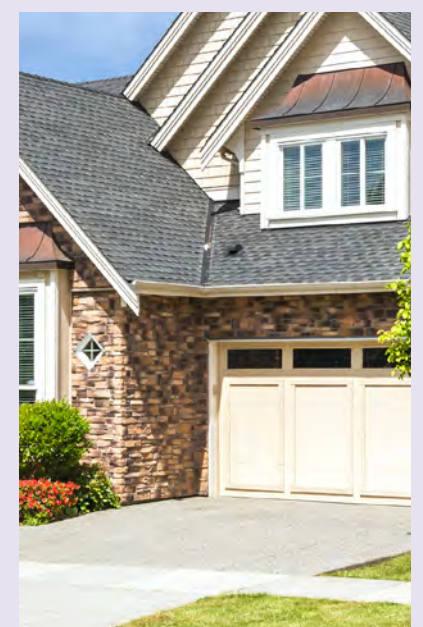
As your Councillor, you have my commitment to listen to your ideas, concerns, comments, and feedback on municipal matters and work together with the community, City Staff, and other relevant agencies to take action on these matters. To this end, I have received numerous concerns and comments from the community regarding setting off fireworks and the City’s regulations and enforcement of fireworks.

As such, earlier this year, I initiated and supported a motion at Council for City Staff to conduct a review of the City’s Fireworks By-law in order to determine whether improvements are needed to the regulatory framework and current enforcement practices. In January 2023, Council also approved a Pilot project to enhance overnight by-law enforcement in order to address priority issues such as noise and fireworks.

The City’s current fireworks regulations are as follows:

- Residents are not allowed to set off fireworks in a street, public property (e.g. parks), a parking lot or any private property that is not their own.
- Consumer fireworks on private property may only be used for one day without a permit on Lunar New Year, Victoria Day, Canada Day and Diwali.
- Fireworks are allowed until midnight on the designated fireworks dates.
- To use fireworks on private property any other day of the year, residents must obtain a permit from Mississauga Fire and Emergency Services.

- The sale of fireworks in Mississauga requires a licence issued by By-law Enforcement.
- Enforcement is a joint responsibility between By-law Enforcement, Peel Regional Police, Fire and Emergency Services and Corporate Security.



In addition to the City’s Fireworks By-law review, I also supported a motion at Council for City Staff to conduct a review of the City’s regulations that govern residential driveways based on community feedback I have received. Staff will be investigating simplifying existing regulations to make them more straightforward; reviewing appropriate construction materials, including the promotion of green initiatives; and, investigating the extent, and potentially recognizing, existing non-compliant driveways.

The results of these reviews will be reported to Council later this year, and please be assured that I will keep residents fully updated on these important community issues.

Action Plan for New Housing

As you may know, the Province has recently passed several pieces of legislation with the goal of getting more homes built, including Bill 23: More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022. Increasing housing supply and affordability has been a long-standing priority for Mississauga, and to this end, I am very pleased to report that Council approved Growing Mississauga, the City's action plan for new housing, at Council earlier this year. The plan includes five goals and 23 actions designed to increase the supply of housing, streamline development and building approvals and improve affordability:

- GOAL 1 → Increase supply**
- GOAL 2 → Improve affordability**
- GOAL 3 → Streamline approvals**
- GOAL 4 → Making the plan happen**
- GOAL 5 → Educate, engage and report**

Growing Mississauga builds on the success of the City's previous housing plans which have positioned Mississauga to meet the Province's 2051 growth target, helped improve housing affordability, streamlined approval processes and led to the issuance of a record number of building permits in 2022.

The plan also details where private sector and government support is necessary. The City will establish a housing panel to help implement the action plan. This panel will include representation from Council, the construction and development industry, not-for-profit groups and the academic community.

Visit mississauga.ca/housing to learn more or read the full plan.

Councillor Brad Butt serves on the following committees and boards:



City Committees

- Budget Committee
- City Council
- Environmental Action Committee
- General Committee
- Governance Committee
- Heritage Advisory Committee
- Mississauga School Traffic Safety Action Committee
- Planning and Development Committee
- Towing and Trucking Industry Advisory Committee

Region Committees

- Committee of Revision
- Emergency Management Program Committee
- Government Relations Committee
- Interim Period Approvals Committee
- Peel Goods Movement Task Force
- Peel Housing
- Regional Council
- Waste Management Strategy Advisory Committee

Board of Directors of the following organizations:

- Heritage Mississauga
- Safe City Mississauga
- Streetsville BIA
- Tourism Mississauga

Growing Mississauga:
An Action Plan for New Housing

Mississauga has a plan to get more housing built and make it more affordable. We can do it, but only if we work together.

The Housing Crisis is Real

\$1.3M avg. price
single detached home

\$2,000+ average rent, 2 bdrm

New Housing Goals

1.5 million Provincial 10-year housing target

120,000 Provincial 10-year housing target for Mississauga

246,000 Homes we can accommodate - with proper infrastructure in place

Our Housing Plan **5 Goals** **23 Actions**

Increase Supply

Improve Affordability

Streamline Approvals

Make it Happen

Educate, Engage & Report

New Communities Need New Infrastructure

Roads Sewers Parks

Fire Stations Community Centres

Transit priorities

- Hurontario LRT Downtown Loop
- All-day, two-way Milton Line GO service
- Integrated rapid transit network

Mississauga is ready

Our plan only works if the provincial and federal governments, and the building industry work with us and give us the funding and tools we need.

To learn more and read the full plan, visit: mississauga.ca/housing

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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