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Councillor Ward 8



WINTER 2021







Greetings to All Ward 8 Residents!

I am very pleased to bring to you my winter newsletter! Thank you for allowing me the pleasure of being your representative at the City of Mississauga and Region of Peel.

It has been almost two years since the COVID-19 pandemic began affecting our lives. I would like to thank the residents who have stepped up during these difficult times to assist not only their family, but friends and neighbours in need. Despite everything going on in the world today, I am proud that our municipal government has continued to move forward even though we have faced challenging times.

For the latest news and information on all City and Regional issues, please sign up for my e-newsletter at **mattmahoney.ca**.

As we head into the winter months, please assist your elderly neighbours with snow clearing. This is also a reminder that the City's on-street parking regulations change during the winter season. Please assist our plows to safely and efficiently clean our roads.

On behalf of my staff and I, we wish you all a very happy and healthy 2022.



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Support Local Businesses This Season

Many local businesses in Mississauga are still feeling the impact of COVID-19 and are working diligently to operate safely and get business back to a new normal.

As we head into the cooler months and the holiday season, there are many ways we can continue to support our local restaurants, retailers and services as a community.

With over 98,000 businesses in Mississauga, you're bound to find everything you need right here at home. Be sure to help spread the word about these businesses online so we can help support each other!

For a list of locally-based businesses near you, visit **mississaugamade.ca**.



Proof of Vaccination

The Proof of Vaccination program took effect on September 22 which now requires anyone entering high-risk, indoor settings to show proof of vaccination. Proof of vaccination can be printed from the provincial booking portal at **covid-19.ontario.ca**.

Here are a few things to keep in mind about the Proof of Vaccination program:

- Proof of vaccination is not required to access essential services like banks, medical buildings or for retail shopping, including grocery stores and pharmacies
- Private residences don't require proof of vaccine, however it's recommended that gatherings, especially indoor are kept smaller and virtual options be made available
- Bring your ID and your vaccination proof (QR code or certificate) every time you enter somewhere. It's required as businesses are not permitted to collect/store it
- Proof of vaccination still requires you wear a mask in public areas and participate in the required screening processes
- Travellers are responsible for knowing what local proof of vaccination programs are in place in their destination. Make sure you have the appropriate application downloaded or paperwork

To find out more about where, when and how to use the proof of vaccination app, visit **mississauga.ca/proofofvaccine**.

Holiday Season Road Safety Information

This holiday season, we're encouraging all road users to travel safely, avoid distractions and drive according to weather conditions. As the daylight hours are shorter this time of year, the risk for collisions increases. Whether you're driving, walking or cycling, it's important that everyone is aware and vigilant when using our roads to prevent collisions.

There's always a lot to celebrate in December, but it's important to do so responsibly. Impaired driving is illegal and dangerous. If you plan to drink or use cannabis, you should also plan for a safe way to get home. With many options available, consider assigning a designated driver, taking MiWay, GO Transit, rideshare or a taxi to get home safely.

Practice safe driving behaviours this season by remembering to:

Drive for the road conditions: Slow down in bad weather like snow or ice. Give snowplows and salters enough room.

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 and others can see you clearly.



Plan a safe way home: Don't drive impaired. Rely on a safe transportation option instead.

Learn more about road safety: mississauga.ca/roadsafety.

Winter Waste Management in City Parks

The City maintains 3,162 hectares (7,813 acres) of parkland—including more than 500 parks, 373 sports fields, 327 km of trails, 266 plagrounds, 12 cemeteries and two marinas.

The City's Parks Operations Team manages waste collection at all City parks, trails, spray pads and sports fields. During the winter, as park and trail use declines, waste containers are scaled back and removed before significant winter weather. During the winter, waste containers will be available in parks and along trails located in high-traffic areas and near



entrances. They will continue to be emptied on a scheduled basis. The waste containers removed in the winter will return in the spring.

If you come across a container that is full, please report it by calling 311 (905-615-4311 from outside Mississauga).

Snow Clearing in Mississauga

Our winter crews respond to winter storms 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Using a priority route system, crews will clear priority roads and sidewalks, on-street bike lanes, bus stops, pedestrian crossings and designated roadside multi-use trails within 12-24 hours after the snow stops. Residential roads are cleared within 24-36 hours. Snow clearing may take longer if there are back-to-back storms or when the City declares a significant weather event.

Although we salt and plow roads and priority sidewalks to make them safe

and passable, some snow pack may remain on the surface. Only priority roads are cleared to bare pavement.

Residents are encouraged to clear their sidewalk and driveway of snow and ice to allow others to travel safely. Be a good neighbour by offering to help older adults or people with physical disabilities clear their property also.

For more information about snow clearing in Mississauga, visit **mississauga.ca/snow**.



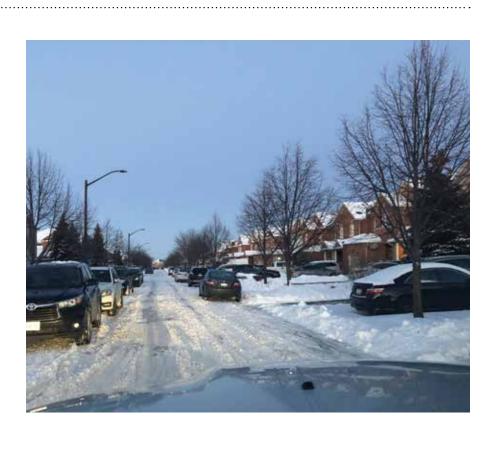
When Winter Weather Hits, Keep Parked Vehicles Off the Street

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

Please keep parked vehicles off the street until snow clearing is complete from 24 to 36 hours after it stops snowing, depending on the amount of snow accumulated.

If you have a temporary parking permit, it may be suspended at any time during a snowfall so that we can safely clear the roads. To find out if your temporary parking permit is suspended, follow us on Twitter @MississsaugaSnow or call 311 (905-615-4311 outside city limits).

A reminder that on-street parking is not allowed from 2 to 6 a.m. at any time of the year. Vehicles parked illegally may be ticketed or towed.



Construction Season Wraps Up in Ward 8

The City of Mississauga's construction season has come to an end. Following an investment of more than \$76 million into Mississauga's transportation and stormwater infrastructure, construction's been taking place since the spring to help keep road users moving safely and manage stormwater to reduce the risk of flooding.

The City's budget dollars have been hard at work in Ward 8 this year to keep residents and commuters moving safely, whether its by vehicle, foot or bike. This includes the resurfacing of six residential streets and road improvements to Mississauga Road, north of Sevenoaks Drive. Sediment removal and minor repairs, including erosion restoration, are underway at the stormwater management



ponds located on both sides of Winston Churchill Boulevard north of Highway 403. The sidewalk improvement on Laird Road is ongoing. Noise Wall replacement and upgrades along The Collegeway is anticipated to start during the winter months, as weather permits.

Visit **mississauga.ca/construction** to use the construction map to see what construction projects took place in 2021. Find Ward 8 projects under the list of road and stormwater projects.

Be Fire Safe at Home

There are three key areas to saving lives and your property when it comes to fire in your home:

- Prevention
- Detection
- Escape

Did you know: the most common causes of a fire in your home are kitchen, electrical and careless smoking fires? Don't let this be you.

Protect yourself by making sure your smoke alarm is working, create a home fire escape plan and most importantly, know when to call 9-1-1.

Mississauga Fire and Emergency Services is here for you and your loved ones when you need them most. More information on **mississauga.ca/fire**.



Budgeting for a Stronger Tomorrow

2022 budget

As Mississauga residents and businesses, we're accountable to you. The City's Business Planning and Budget Process is an important annual activity that allows the team to prepare the budget in a transparent manner – letting you know the value your property tax dollars bring to your community. Throughout the year, Ward 8 residents, businesses and

community groups have been sharing what matters most to them with Council and City staff, helping to shape the 2022 Budget so that it reflects your priorities.

The City's budget directs how the city works. It funds more than 200 services to deliver programs and maintain infrastructure that residents rely on and use everyday. This includes maintaining parks and roads, providing winter maintenance and transit, and delivering the recreation, library and culture events and programs that make Mississauga a great place to live, work and play.

For more information about the City's 2022 Budget and the budget process, visit **mississauga.ca/budget**.

Mississauga Hosting Two Provincial Sporting Games in 2022

2022 will be a great year for provincial athletes, sport enthusiasts and residents of Mississauga.

Games Ontario, the Provincial body organizing a number of multi-sport competitions, selected Mississauga as the host city for both the 2022 Ontario Summer Games and the 2021 Ontario Parasport Games – deferred to 2022 due to COVID-19.

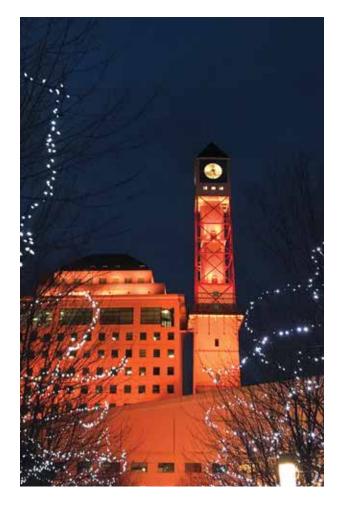
The Ontario Summer Games focuses on youth athletes in the Province and potential next generation Canadian athletes. The Ontario Parasport Games provides Ontarians with physical disabilities with the opportunity to showcase their athletic abilities.

As one of the Host Councillors of these games, I look forward to Mississauga providing a rich and competitive atmosphere for athletes and fans! More details to be released by the Province.

For more information, visit **osgmississauga**.ca



Host Councillor Matt Mahoney is joined by Mayor Bonnie Crombie (centre left), Lisa MacLeod, Minister of Heritage Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries (centre right) and Host Councillor Karen Ras (right) during the Province's 2019 announcement selecting Mississauga as the host city for the 2022 Ontario Summer Games.



Councillor Mahoney Committee List

City of Mississauga

- · City Council
- Accessibility Advisory Committee
- Audit Committee
- Budget Committee
- Environmental Action Committee (Chair)
- General Committee
- · Library Board
- Ontario Summer Games
- Para Sport Games
- Planning and Development Committee

Region of Peel

- Region of Peel Council
- Region of Peel Accessibility **Advisory Committee**
- Waste Management Strategic Advisory Committee
- Credit Valley Conservation

City of Mississauga **Holiday Hours**

The City of Mississauga administrative offices are closed starting at noon on December 24, 2021 and will reopen on January 4, 2022.

Some City services will be available during the closure period - please see list below:

3-1-1 Citizen Contact Centre

Dial 3-1-1 between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday to Friday, to speak to a Customer Service Advisor who will assist with your call.

Open: December 24, 29, 30 and 31

Closed: December 25, 26, 27, 28 and January 1 Regular hours resume January 4, 2022

Animal Services Enforcement -**Animal Shelter**

Open: December 24 from 10 a.m. to noon, December 27 to 30 regular hours and December 31 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Closed: December 25, 26 and January 1. Regular hours resume January 4, 2022

Animal Services -Road Coverage

Regular service 24/7 through the holiday season. For more information, visit mississauga.ca/ animalservices or call 905-896-5858.

Library

Open: December 24 until 1 p.m., December 31 until 5 p.m.

Regular Hours: December 27 to 30 (opening hours vary by library)

Closed: December 25, 26, January 1-2.

Regular hours resume January 3, 2022 (opening hours vary by library).

For more information, visit mississaugalibrary.ca or call 905-615-3500.

Mississauga Seniors' Centre

Closed: December 24-January 3

Regular hours resume January 4, 2022.

For more information, visit mississauga.ca/olderadults.

MiWay

Seasonal service adjustments begin on Monday, December 20, 2021 and regular service resumes on Monday, January 3, 2022. For more information or to plan your trip, visit miway.ca or call 905-615-INFO (4636).

Museums of Mississauga

(Benares Historic House, Bradley Museum and Leslie Log House)

Closed: December 20, 2021 to January 12, 2022.

Regular hours resume January 13, 2022.

For more information, visit museumsofmississauga.com.

Provincial Offences/Screening/ **Hearing Appointments**

Closed: December 27, 28 and January 3.

Open: December 24 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., December 29-30 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., December 31 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Regular hours resume January 4, 2022

For more information, visit **mississauga.ca**/ services-and-programs/tickets-fines-andpenalties/provincial-offences-tickets/ or call 905-615-4500.

Recreation Customer Service Centre

Open: December 24 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., December 29-30 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and December 31 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Closed: December 27-28 and January 3.

Regular hours resume January 4, 2022.

Schedules for recreation facilities may vary. Please check your local facility for exact times including ice and rental availability.

For more information, visit mississauga.ca/recreation.

Snow Clearing at the City

Follow @MississaugaSnow on Twitter, call 3-1-1 (or 905-615-4311 outside City limits) or visit mississauga.ca/snow.

Transportation and Works Dispatch - Open 24/7

(For urgent information regarding COVID-19 Enforcement, Storms, Snow Removal, Parking Enforcement, Animal Services, Roads, Trees, and Parks.)

Dial 3-1-1 and select Option 2.



KNOW WHO TO CALL

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

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 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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