



## Special Meeting Agenda City Council

### The Corporation of the City of Brampton

**Date:** Wednesday, December 9, 2020

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Location:** Council Chambers - 4th Floor, City Hall - Webex Electronic Meeting

**Members:**

Mayor Patrick Brown

Regional Councillor R. Santos	Wards 1 and 5
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Regional Councillor P. Vicente	Wards 1 and 5
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City Councillor D. Whillans	Wards 2 and 6
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Regional Councillor M. Palleschi	Wards 2 and 6
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City Councillor J. Bowman	Wards 3 and 4
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Regional Councillor M. Medeiros	Wards 3 and 4
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City Councillor C. Williams	Wards 7 and 8
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Regional Councillor P. Fortini	Wards 7 and 8
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City Councillor H. Singh	Wards 9 and 10
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Regional Councillor G. Dhillon	Wards 9 and 10
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Note: Meeting information is also available in alternate formats upon request.

1. **Call to Order**

Note: The City Clerk will conduct a roll call at the start of the meeting.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

3. **Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act**

4. **Public Delegations and Staff Presentations (5 minutes maximum)**

5. **Reports from Corporate Officials**

6. **Operating and Capital Budget Technical Recommendations**

6.1. 2021 Technical Budget Recommendations

7. **Committee Reports**

7.1. Minutes – Budget Committee – November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020

Chair – Mayor Brown

See Item 8.2

Note: The recommendations are attached. The minutes will be distributed prior to the meeting.

8. **Correspondence**

8.1. Correspondence from various interested persons, re: 2021-2023 Current and Capital Budget Approval

*To be received*

8.2. Correspondence from Peter Fay, City Clerk, Legislative Services, re: Housekeeping Modifications to Budget Committee Recommendations

See Item 7.1

**9. Public Question Period**

**15 Minute Limit (regarding any decision made at this meeting)**

During the meeting, the public may submit questions regarding decisions made at the meeting via email to the City Clerk at [cityclerksoffice@brampton.ca](mailto:cityclerksoffice@brampton.ca), to be introduced during the Public Question Period section of the meeting.

**10. By-laws**

- 10.1. By-law \_\_\_\_-2020 – To amend User Fee By-law 380-2003, as amended – 2021 Fees and Charges

**11. Closed Session**

**12. Confirming By-law**

- 12.1. By-law \_\_\_\_-2020 – To confirm the proceedings of Council at its Special Meeting held on December 9, 2020

**13. Adjournment**

**Next Meetings:**

**Wednesday, January 27, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.**

**Wednesday, February 17, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.**

## Technical Recommendations Budget 2021

1. That the City of Brampton net property tax levy variance for 2021 be \$0 or 0.0% for City Operations, after accounting for assessment growth
2. That Council approve the 2021 Proposed Operating and Capital Budgets, including any amendments recommended through Budget Committee deliberations and the Special Council meeting of December 9<sup>th</sup> 2020;
3. That the Treasurer be authorized to make all necessary transfers between Reserves, Reserve Funds, the Operating Fund and Capital Fund, as and when required;
4. That the Treasurer be authorized to make all necessary transfers of amounts budgeted on a provisional basis in General Government accounts to Department operating accounts, as and when the necessary supporting information is available;
5. That the departments proceed with their respective 2021 programs as described in the 2021 Proposed Operating and Capital Budget binder, including all amendments approved through Budget Committee deliberations and the Special Council meeting of December 9<sup>th</sup> 2020;
6. That Council approve the 2021 Capital Cash Flow of \$200,000,000 for use on the City's 2021 annual financial statements;
7. That Council approve in-principle, the draft proposed 2022 and 2023 Capital budgets as described in the 2021 Proposed Operating and Capital Budget document, including all amendments approved through Budget Committee deliberations and the Special Council meeting of December 9<sup>th</sup> 2020;
8. That Council approves the 2021 Full Accrual Budget as described in the 2021 Proposed Operating and Capital Budget binder, including all amendments approved through Budget Committee deliberations and the Special Council meeting of December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020;



November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020

2. **Approval of Agenda**

**BC023-2020**

That the agenda for the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, be approved, as amended.

Carried

5. **Presentations**

5.1 **BC024-2020**

That the presentation by D. Barrick, Chief Administrative Officer, and M. Medeiros, Acting Treasurer, Corporate Support Services, to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, re: **2021-2023 Operating and Capital Budgets be received:**

- a. **CAO – Introductory Budget presentation**
- b. **Treasurer – Financial Context and Budget Proposal.**

Carried

5.2 **BC025-2020**

That the following departmental presentations to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, re: **2021-2023 Capital and Operating Budgets** be received:

- a. **Public Works and Engineering**
- b. **Fire and Emergency Services**
- c. **Transit**
- d. **Community Services**
- e. **Corporate Support Services**
- f. **Planning, Building and Economic Development**

g. Legislative Services  
h. Office of the CAO

Carried

6. **Delegations**

6.1 **BC026-2020**

That the following delegations to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, re: **2021-2023 Current and Capital Budget Approval** be received:

1. Malkeet Sandhu, Community Organizer, David Suzuki Foundation
2. Lajanthan (LJ) Prabakaran and Divya Arora, Board Members and Political Advocacy Team Representatives, Community Climate Council
3. Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident
4. Ivan Marco Macri, Brampton resident

Carried

**BC027-2020**

That the following additional delegations to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, re: **2021-2023 Current and Capital Budget Approval** be received:

1. Vanessa White, Chair; Glenn Williams, Member; and Todd Letts, CEO, Brampton Board of Trade
2. Azad Goyat , Brampton Resident
3. Jasmine Moulton, Ontario Director, Canadian Taxpayers Federation

Carried

**BC028-2020**

1. That the following additional delegations to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, re: **2021-2023 Current and Capital Budget Approval** be received:

1. Jotvinder Sodhi, Homeowners Welfare Association

2. Rick Tredwell, Club Liaison, and Rosemary Miller, Brampton Tennis Club, re: Installation of a Winter Tennis Bubble at the Brampton Tennis Club (Rosalea Park);
2. That the Tennis Club delegation requests be **referred** to staff for consideration; and
3. That the request from the Homeowners Welfare Association with respect to a police station for Brampton East be **referred** to staff for consideration.

Carried

## **BC029-2020**

Whereas Peel Regional Police plays a critical in the safety and well-being of Brampton's residents;

Whereas the City of Brampton has been a strong advocate for fairness and representation at the Region, and to the Province for healthcare funding;

Whereas there is a disproportionate representation of a police footprint within the wards in our city.

Whereas all other ward pairings in the City except Wards 9 and 10 have direct access to some sort of a police station;

Whereas the east end of Brampton, comprising of Ward 8, 9, and 10, there are approximately 200,000 residents making up 33 per cent of the city's population;

Whereas from 2014 to 2018 crimes against a person in east end wards have increased on average by 50 per cent while crimes against property increased by 34 per cent;

Whereas residents from these neighborhoods are experiencing anxiety and fear due to increased crime, lack of a police station, and severely delayed response times.

Whereas there have been numerous delegations (HOWA, Vales of Humber), communications, community organized meetings and town halls attended by the Councillors, Mayors, and police chiefs, advocating for greater police presence;

Whereas there has been increasing demand for a police station in the east end of Brampton.

Whereas there are no police stations east of Torbram Road.

Whereas it currently takes approximately 23 minutes to drive 19 kilometres to reach the northeast end of Brampton from 21 Division.

Whereas Brampton City Council has made it unequivocally clear that the safety and well-being of all its residents is its priority.

Therefore Be It Resolved:

That the Mayor and Council send a letter to Peel Regional Police requesting a community station or satellite office in Brampton's east end for all reasons outlined; and

That staff be directed to identify a location and costs for a potential community station or satellite office in Brampton's east end, to be provided to Peel Police Service at no or minimal cost.

Carried

### **BC030-2020**

That the following additional delegations to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, re: **2021-2023 Current and Capital Budget Approval** be received:

1. Manjot Heer, Manvir Mander, Gaganpal Dhanju, re: Dome Facility for Field Hockey;
2. Mark Sebamaalai, Brampton Resident, re: State of Local Infrastructure

Carried

### **6.2 BC031-2020**

That the delegation from Amrik Ahluwalia, John Brennen, Junipero Lagtapon and Jack Mady, Residents of Lionhead Estates - Headwall Replacement Committee, to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, re: **Headwall Replacements on Links Lane, Classic Drive and Champion Court - Ward 4** be received.

Carried

## **7. Local Board and other Presentations**

### **7.1 BC032-2020**

1. That the presentation by Susan Bartoletta, Interim Chief Executive Officer, and Jaipaul Massey-Singh, Board Chair, Brampton Library Board, to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, re: **Brampton Library 2021 Operating and Capital Budget Request** be received;

2. That the 2021 Operating Budget submission for the Brampton Library be approved, as amended to add funding support for:
  - 1) Security Guard Services - Four Corners (76K)
  - 2) Program & Services funding (81K); and
  - 3) Media Support (eResources) (32K);
3. That the 2021 Capital Budget submission for the Brampton Library be approved, as presented;
4. That the 2022 and 2023 Capital Budget submission for the Brampton Library be endorsed, in principle.

Carried

## 7.2 **BC033-2020**

1. That the presentation by Suzy Godefroy, Executive Director, and Zeeshan Majid, Treasurer, Downtown Brampton BIA, to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, re: **Downtown Brampton Business Improvement Area (BIA) 2021 Operating Budget Request**, be received;
2. That the 2021 Operating Budget submission for the Downtown Brampton BIA be approved, as presented.

Carried

## 8. **Reports**

### 8.1 **BC034-2020**

That the report titled: **2020 Third Quarter Operating Budget and Reserve Report**, to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, be received.

Carried

### 8.2 **BC035-2020**

That the report titled: **Capital Project Financial Status Report – Q3 2020**, to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, be received.

Carried

### 8.3 **BC036-2020**

1. That the report titled: **2021 User Fees – Community Services, Corporate Support Services, Fire and Emergency Services, Legislative Services and Public Works and Engineering**, to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, be received;
2. That the user fee charges proposed for 2021, as set out in appendices of this report, be approved; and
3. That the respective schedules to User Fee By-Law 380-2003, as amended, be further amended to include the approved fees for 2021.

Carried

### 8.4 **BC037-2020**

That the **Supporting Documentation: 2021 Proposed Operating and Capital Budgets Pre-Budget Discussion**, to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, be received.

Carried

### 8.5 **BC038-2020**

That the **Supporting Documentation: Summary of November 12, 2020 Telephone Town Hall and Other Public Feedback**, to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, be received.

Carried

### 8.6 **BC039-2020**

1. That the report titled: **Driveway Headwalls in the Lionhead Executive Estates Subdivision – Ward – 4**, to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, be received; and
2. That staff be directed to include funds in the 2022 Capital Budget to replace all the deteriorating limestone headwalls in the Lionhead Executive Estates Subdivision, using cut stone (Option 4 as outlined below) close to the originals and to be consistent with the material used in the repair of the other driveways:

Option 4 - The City tenders to remove and replace all the remaining stone block driveway headwalls on the 76 driveways using pre-cut natural stone blocks driveway headwalls as a capital project, which matches the upscale aesthetics of the neighborhood and would be

consistent with the replacements that have been completed to date, at an approximate cost would be \$700,000; and

3. That that prior to the work being done, the City require the residents execute such permissions to enter as may be required by the City to perform the work and confirming their agreement to the work being done.

Carried

#### **BC040-2020**

Whereas the properties located on Links Lane, Champion Court, and Classic Drive have been assessed by City of Brampton's Public Works and Engineering department who have determined the majority of headwalls to be in disrepair; and

Whereas the City of Brampton's Public Works and Engineering department has committed to repairing 11 of 87 headwalls in 2020 and 2021; and

Whereas the residents of Links Lane, Champion Court, and Classic Drive have submitted a petition the City of Brampton requesting the repairs for the remaining properties as soon as possible; and

Therefore Be It Resolved That staff be directed to include funds in the 2022 Capital Budget to replace all the deteriorating limestone headwalls in the Lionhead Executive Estates Subdivision, using cut stone close to the originals and to be consistent with the material used in the repair of the other driveways.

Carried

#### **10. Correspondence**

##### **10.1. BC041-2020**

That the correspondence from various interested persons, to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, re: **2021-2023 Current and Capital Budget Approval**, be received.

Carried

##### **BC042-2020**

That the correspondence from Aneedah and Aubrey Bacchus, Brampton Residents, to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, re: **2021-2023 Current and Capital Budget Approval**, be received.

Carried

**11. Other/New Business**

**11.1 BC043-2020**

That the Additional Documentation re: **2021-2023 Current and Capital Budget Approval**, to the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, be received.

Carried

**Final Budget Approval Recommendations**

**BC044-2020**

That the 2021 Operating Budget submission for the Public Works and Engineering Department be approved, except for the compensation portion of the Public Works and Engineering Department budget;

That the 2021 Operating Budget submission, as it pertains specifically to the compensation portion of the Public Works and Engineering Department operating budget, be approved;

That the 2021 Capital Budget submission for the Public Works and Engineering Department be approved, as presented; and

That the 2022 and 2023 Capital Budget submission for the Public Works and Engineering Department be endorsed, in principle, as presented.

Carried

**BC045-2020**

That the 2021 Operating Budget submission for the Fire and Emergency Services Department be approved;

That the 2021 Capital Budget submission for the Fire and Emergency Services Department be approved, as presented; and

That the 2022 and 2023 Capital Budget submission for the Fire and Emergency Services Department be endorsed, in principle, as presented.

Carried

**BC046-2020**

That the 2021 Operating Budget submission for the Transit Department be approved

That the 2021 Capital Budget submission for the Transit Department be approved, as presented; and

That the 2022 and 2023 Capital Budget submission for the Transit Department be endorsed, in principle, as presented.

Carried

**BC047-2020**

That the 2021 Operating Budget submission for the Community Services Department be approved;

That the 2021 Capital Budget submission for the Community Services Department be approved, as presented; and

That the 2022 and 2023 Capital Budget submission for the Community Services Department be endorsed, in principle, as presented.

Carried

**BC048-2020**

That the 2021 Operating Budget submission for the Corporate Support Services Department be approved, except for the grant funding portion of the operating budget;

That the 2021 Operating Budget submission, as it pertains specifically to the grant funding portion of the Corporate Support Services Department operating budget, be approved;

That the 2021 Capital Budget submission for the Corporate Support Services Department be approved, as presented; and

That the 2022 and 2023 Capital Budget submission for the Corporate Support Services Department be endorsed, in principle, as presented.

Carried

**BC049-2020**

That the 2021 Operating Budget submission for the Planning, Building and Economic Development Department be approved, except for the grant funding portion of the operating budget;

That the 2021 Operating Budget submission, as it pertains specifically to the grant funding portion of the Planning, Building and Economic Development Department operating budget, be approved;

That the 2021 Capital Budget submission for the Planning, Building and Economic Development Department be approved, as presented; and

That the 2022 and 2023 Capital Budget submission for the Planning, Building and Economic Development Department be endorsed, in principle, as presented.

Carried

**BC050-2020**

That the 2021 Operating Budget submission for the Legislative Services Department be approved, as amended to incorporate the addition of four by-law enforcement officers with no levy impact, and except for the compensation portion of the Enforcement and By-law Services Division of the Legislative Services Department budget;

That the 2021 Operating Budget submission for the Legislative Services Department, as it pertains specifically to the compensation portion of the Enforcement and By-law Services Division of the Legislative Services Department budget, be approved;

That the 2021 Capital Budget submission for the Legislative Services Department be approved, as presented; and

That the 2022 and 2023 Capital Budget submission for the Legislative Services Department be endorsed, in principle, as presented.

Carried

**BC051-2020**

That the 2021 Operating Budget submission for the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer be approved,

That the 2021 Capital Budget submission for the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer be approved, as presented; and

That the 2022 and 2023 Capital Budget submission for the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer be endorsed, in principle, as presented.

Carried

#### **BC052-2020**

That the 2021 Operating Budget submission for General Government be approved.

Carried

#### **BC053-2020**

Whereas a community garden is a unique opportunity available to Brampton residents whereby a group of community members will join together to manage and maintain an identified plot of land for the purpose of growing fresh produce and plants and;

Whereas the City of Brampton facilitates the use of public land for community gardening to help promote healthy eating, positive social interactions, outdoor activity, cross-cultural connections, and to reduce crime and vandalism in our parks and;

Whereas the 2020 Backyard Garden Program was an eco-friendly initiative to help support food security in our city and encourage residents to get active at home during the COVID-19 emergency and;

Whereas the City of Brampton was the first municipality in Canada to launch a citywide initiative to support residents in starting their own gardens in response to COVID-19 and;

Whereas the Backyard Garden Program was met with great enthusiasm and participation by community members and;

Whereas additional funding will support the New Backyard Program, the continuation of the current Community Garden Program and support staff in investigating the Front Yard Recognition Program;

Therefore be it resolved that the 2021 Budget request of \$150,000 be amended by \$100,000 to a total of \$250,000.

Carried

#### **BC054-2020**

Whereas in 2014 Brampton Council approved the Brampton Grow Green Environmental Master Plan as a framework to improve the Brampton's

sustainability performances in six core components or People, Air, Water, Land, Energy, and Waste and;

Whereas on June 6, 2019 Brampton Council declared a Climate Emergency for the purpose of focusing, framing, and deepening the City of Brampton's commitment to the protection of our ecosystems and community from climate change and;

Whereas on September 30, 2020 Brampton Council approved the Community Energy and Emissions Reduction Plan with ambitious greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduction targets of 30% GHG emissions reduction from 2016 levels by 2030, 50% from 2016 levels by 2040, and a pathway to reduce GHG emissions by at least 80% by 2050 and;

Whereas the Community Energy and Emissions Reduction Plan recommends the immediate implementation of six (6) priority projects to position Brampton to achieve the Plan's recommended objectives and targets;

Therefore be it resolved that City of Brampton Council endorse increasing the Environmental Master Plan Implementation Capital Budget from \$200,000 to \$500,000 for 2021, 2022, and 2023 to expedite the implementation of climate change, sustainability, and natural heritage priorities, including but not limited to:

- Developing integrated energy plans for urban and town centres;
- Establishing a Home Energy Retrofit Program;
- Establishing a Centre for Community Energy Transformation
- Developing a Climate Change Adaptation Plan
- Developing and implementing Sustainable Neighbourhood Action Plans (SNAP)
- Developing a Woodland Management Strategy

Carried

## **BC055-2020**

Whereas The Parks and Recreation Master Plan helps define the City's role in contributing to the health and wellness of our residents;

Whereas The Parks and Recreation Master Plan integrates a robust methodology through which to guide decisions for the City's parks, recreation, and sport infrastructure to the year 2031 and beyond;

Whereas the City recognizes that structured and unstructured forms of play allow residents to lead healthy lifestyles by being physically active, socially engaged, exposed to natural surroundings, and benefitting from economic spinoffs attained through the local parks, recreation and sport system;

Whereas physical activity, and a healthy body weight are essential parts of a person's overall health and well-being;

Whereas healthy active living helps decrease a person's risk of developing serious health conditions, such as high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, heart disease, stroke, and cancer;

Whereas the allocation of up to \$1,000,000/per ward from the Cash In Lieu Reserve to a Community Benefit Plan will provide the most suitable parks and recreational facilities and programs in suitable locations to address healthy community living.

Whereas parks and recreation planning is a crucial part of city building given the importance such infrastructure and services play in building a healthy, vibrant community;

Therefore be it resolved that staff be directed to implement the Community Benefit Plan as outlined per the Parks and Recreation Master Plan for the 2021 Budget.

Carried

#### **BC056-2020**

That the 2021 Operating Budget be amended to include the following adjustments presented during the Budget Committee deliberations:

Amendment	Expenditures	Revenues	Levy \$ Variance	Levy % Overall
Insurance Premiums	(860,000)		(860,000)	(0.2)%
Increased Assessment Growth		(708,978)	(708,978)	(0.1)%
Equity Office	277,790		277,790	0.1%
Centre for Excellence and Capital Compliance	390,942		390,942	0.1%
Community Safety Office	164,638		164,638	0.0%
Increased Public Communication	303,000		303,000	0.1%
Council Community Outreach	150,000		150,000	0.0%
Library	189,000		189,000	0.0%
Enforcement Officers (4 F/T)	407,451	(285,216)	122,235	0.0%
Contribution to Reserves	(9,781,392)		(9,781,392)	2.0%

Carried

**BC057-2020**

That the 2021 Capital Budget be amended to include the following adjustments presented during the Budget Committee deliberations:

Amendment	2021	2022	2023
Riverwalk	4,880,000	7,250,000	14,000,000
Community Living	10,000,000	-	-
Environmental Master Plan (CEERP)	300,000	300,000	300,000
Community Gardens / Backyard Garden Program	100,000	100,000	100,000
I.T. - Internet Voting		(800,000)	
Mobile Inspect - Building (Change Funding from Tax Base to Building Reserve)	-		-

Carried

**BC058-2020**

Whereas, the City of Brampton will have in excess of \$800 million in unspent and uncommitted capital dollars in 2021;

Whereas, a \$113,910,000 reserve contribution for 2021 would be the largest annual contribution to reserves in the City of Brampton's history;

Whereas, a 0% tax levy for 2021 can be achieved with this record reserve contribution;

Whereas, the COVID-19 pandemic has had far-reaching and dire affects in our community;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that staff reduce the proposed 2021 reserve contributions to achieve a 0% tax levy, as outlined in the staff 'consideration - path to 0%' while still maintaining another record capital contribution.

Carried

**15. Adjournment****BC059-2020**

That the Budget Committee Meeting of November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020, do now adjourn to meet again at the call of the Chair.

Carried

**10.1. Correspondence from various interested persons, re: 2021-2023 Current and Capital Budget Approval**

1. Antony Fernandez
2. Naseem Syed-Mukri
3. Althaf Nagal
4. Guifa Zhang
5. Aubrey Bacchus
6. Naeem Butt
7. Shawn Bouzan

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**From:** Antony Allwyn Fernandez  
**Sent:** 2020/11/29 9:54 PM  
**To:** City Clerks Office  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]Property tax

TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

Its with deep regret that i would like to bring to the attention of the city that being totally aware of all the circumstances of what really going around and how it impacting the citizens of this country and all beyond this city , we are being treated totally unfair to these kind of tax increases which is really taking a toll in us apart for all the bills that never stop coming .

Please advise what is the strategy being followed where you don't seem to reduce your administrative expenses and expect us to take fall for everything. It would be appreciated if this could be considered as a humble request and see to what's coming and help rather rather than grab every other penny from us .

Thanking you in advance

Regards

Antony Fernandez

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**From:** Naseem Syed-Mukri  
**Sent:** 2020/11/29 10:33 PM  
**To:** City Clerks Office  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]Tax increase

To Whom It May Concern

I am a resident of Brampton and am writing to you today to **kindly request that you do not approve the 2021 proposed increase for the city of Brampton's Property Taxes.**

A tax increase is the last thing taxpayers need right now. The unemployment rate hit a record high in Peel Region at 16%. Many families in Brampton are struggling financially due to job loss and negative impacts to their businesses during this time.

Brampton's 2020 Property Tax Rate is extremely high already at 0.95% while neighboring cities like Mississauga (0.78%), Caledon (0.79%), Halton Hills (0.77%) and Vaughan (0.66%) have much lower property tax rates.

Many city services were reduced or paused for an extended period of time and likely will continue to be impacted in 2021. It is my understanding that City staff have proposed that they would like to hire 44 new employees and increase compensation by 3.2%. Compensation packages for individuals employed by the City are already very generous and exceed compensation when compared to similar job roles in the private sector. Also, instead of recruitment – there should be a focus in 2021 to find process efficiencies within departments and utilize current employees to their full potential so that staff are completing value - added work that equates to 37.5-40 hours/week for which they are being paid for.

If the City cannot find process and people efficiencies and thus operate with the funds generated from our current tax rate then other strategies should be explored without further burdening homeowners through an increase in property taxes. Example: there should be a greater focus on using land for commercial purposes and attracting large companies to Brampton instead of approving residential subdivision after subdivision. This will bring more jobs to Brampton and also large corporations can afford to pay the higher commercial property tax rates (which is a tax write off for them anyway) and this can hopefully translate to a lower residential tax rate for homeowners.

Thank-you for your time.

Sincerely,

Naseem Syed-Mukri

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**From:** Althaf Nagal  
**Sent:** 2020/11/30 7:33 PM  
**To:** City Clerks Office  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]Tax Hike ? Concerned

Dear Mayor & City of Brampton

How are you?  
Hope all is well in this unprecedented time

I am writing with deep concern after hearing there will be a tax increase!

For sure in the Pandemic year with loss of jobs, lockdowns & severely affected and stressed period with no money no income  
no one wants an increase in spending particularly in property Tax

Please look into cutting City spending and make not to increase any more Property Taxes increase.

Thank you  
Yours sincerely  
Althaf Nagal

Brampton

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**From:** Guifa Zhang  
**Sent:** 2020/11/30 8:29 PM  
**To:** City Clerks Office  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]Property Tax

Hi Sir/Madam,

It is said that the City is going to increase the property tax. Before made the decision, please consider the following:

1. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, many people have lost their job or have had working hour reduced, they are struggling to make the end meet.
2. As the market value of the houses is increasing every year, even without increasing the tax rate, the property tax to each house is increasing, why need to increase the rate? The actual rate now is already higher than in other cities.
3. Please review the cost first, the salaries, business costs. It is heard (have no evidence in hand) the Mayor, the counselor's salaries are much much higher than the average salaries of the residents in Brampton, plus the annual business cost, how much the Mayor, or counselor would consume the tax money a year?
4. When the property tax is getting high in a city, the city also gets bad reputation at the same time. people could moving out slowly., which would be the worst thing to City of Brampton. Please do not make our city to be an empty town.
5. It is said there are a lot of houses have more than one family living in, some houses even have 4 families. Property tax rate should be based on per house per family.

sincerely yours,

Guifa Zhang

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** AUBREY BACCHUS  
**Sent:** 2020/12/01 10:04 AM  
**To:** City Clerks Office  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]No tax hike please especially for seniors

To whom it may concern  
We are seniors .  
We have set income.  
Please do not drive us out of our homes and out of Brampton.  
Because of all these inflated values of home our home has been reevaluated as a result taxes is set to be increased and we are behind the eight ball .  
Please do not further increase the tax rate .  
You are driving us out of our homes and out of Brampton !!  
Disappointed Brampton Seniors  
Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** naeemuk  
**Sent:** 2020/12/02 5:58 PM  
**To:** City Clerks Office  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]

have heard that Brampton city council's proposed budget is raising taxes despite the economic downturn! That's brutal for struggling tax payers.

A tax hike is the last thing taxpayers need right now. The unemployment rate hit a record high in Peel region at 16 per cent.

While taxpayers have lost their jobs, Brampton's 2021 budget shows the city wants to hire 44 new employees! Employee compensation in Brampton will increase by 3.2 per cent and cost taxpayers an extra \$14 million. Why are bureaucrats getting new jobs and raises when the taxpayers who pay their salaries are struggling?

Can city councillors keep their spending under control instead of increasing taxes.

Thanks  
Naeem Butt

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**From:** Shawn Bouzan  
**Sent:** 2020/12/02 7:15 PM  
**To:** City Clerks Office  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]Property Tax increase

I'm 49 years old born in Brampton. I've seen a lot of things in this city that I can't believe happened in reference to money being wasted. Some I'm sure are the city's fault, some are the regions then some are probably provincial or Federal.

Here are some examples:

- I've seen Bovaird expand to two lanes and rather than acquiring a progression plan, Brampton spent what I would assume was approximately \$150/tree plus labour to beautify the area only to tear them all up a year or so later to extend Bovaird to 3 lanes. Money wasted!

- I see new cement pads poured for bus stops on Dixie road between Steeles ave and queen st. Only to be destroyed because that area of Dixie went from 4 lanes to 6, again about a year later. I'm seeing the same thing north of queen to Bovaird, new cement pads poured. Let me guess, these will also be ripped and replaced after the planned expansion on that area of Dixie. Maybe Brampton transit and the city don't communicate well enough on planning.

- There are cement pads being poured at bus stops that are 5 x bigger than necessary, a couple of these are located along Nasmith as well as Northpark. Are these bus stops really required to be this big? I drive this area every day and rarely see more than one or two people using them at one time. How many more bus stops are like that in Brampton? 20...30...100? Now multiply that by the average cost of \$25/sq foot at 6" deep... it adds up!

- The water resourver in my neighborhood has had some up grades. When that was done the grass was all replaced with new sods. At least 20 sod delivery trucks dropped off skids of sods. This looks nice! But three years from now it will again be a sea of dandelion. We (Brampton) are doing the same thing when we rework an intersection or replace curbs. Is seeding/ hydro seeding a better more cost effective option? Like I said, in three years it's going to be all dandelions anyway!

- Remember the "Ice storm" we had a few years back. Brampton had a lot of damage, broken branches damaged trees, and we required help with the cleanup. We hired contractors from Quebec to help with the clean up...Ok...if that's what's needed. It appeared that these contractors stayed after the initial clean up to help cut down the trees that could have been left for months as there was no apparent immediate risk of these toppling over... the branches had been damaged not the trunks or roots. How much did we pay for their stays...hotels? Food? I'm sure the bill was quite hefty.

- Trees were cut down on my street along with multiple other locations throughout Brampton and new ones were planted to replace them. I spoke with one of the guys from the city when

they were being planted and was informed that the tree supplier would replace them if they died in two years. In our case, the ones on our street did die and we had another lot of trees replaced...did the city pay for them again or did they actually go back to the original provider/installer or was Brampton given a refund for them?

My daughters went to St Marguerite Bourgeoys school on Northpark drive. Over the ten years that they were going there I heard many times that a crosswalk going across the street should have angled curbs down to the street for parents with strollers and wagons. We kept being told it couldn't be done. Well 6 years after my youngest finished the curbs finally were done. I was glad to see it. I walked by there a couple of days ago and seen a sign saying the cross walk wasn't going to be used anymore because they put a new set of lights up less than 60 meters away. The cross walk was only put in a year and half ago maybe. What planning! I guess we now have to have our taxes used to tear out the curbs and have them replaced.

I can keep going. I hear Brampton "cleans house" in their departments every now again using taxes to pay out severance. Interesting

I may not be an engineer but i have something called common sense... if you leave enough space to accommodate the growth rate and estimate that the city may, in 10+ years, require a six lane road then leave enough green space to accommodate the lanes to the max width that the road will ever be. If we leave a green space in the middle of the two roads when the city needs/wants to expand the roadways, the green space is the only thing that needs to be touched. Hydro and light poles won't need to be moved, storm drains won't need to be touched. Construction would be faster and cheaper at that point. This would have also worked on the 410. The on and off ramps would not need to be touched as expansion would only happen in the middle.

These are only a few of the things I've seen and I'm sure there is a lot more. Brampton can do better when it comes to managing the tax payers money. If we planned properly the impending tax increase would not be necessary

Shawn Bouzan

Sent from my iPhone

December 3, 2020

To: City Council

From: Peter Fay, City Clerk

Subject: **Housekeeping Modifications to Budget Committee Recommendations**

Upon further review of the Budget Committee Recommendations considered at its November 24, 26, 30 and December 1, 2020 meeting, Finance staff have identified minor housekeeping adjustments to a few of the Recommendations set out below to correctly give effect to the direction of the Committee.

The revised Recommendations below (with changes **bolded**) are to replace the original Budget Committee Recommendations during City Council's consideration of the 2021 budget.

**BC056-2020**

That the 2021 Operating Budget be amended to include the following adjustments presented during the Budget Committee deliberations:

Amendment	Expenditures	Revenues	Levy \$ Variance	Levy % Overall
Insurance Premiums	(860,000)		(860,000)	(0.2)%
Increased Assessment Growth		(708,978)	(708,978)	(0.1)%
Equity Office	277,790		277,790	0.1%
Centre for Excellence and Capital Compliance	390,942		390,942	0.1%
Community Safety Office	164,638		164,638	0.0%
Increased Public Communication	303,000		303,000	0.1%
Council Community Outreach	150,000		150,000	0.0%
Library	189,000		189,000	0.0%
Enforcement Officers (4 F/T)	407,451	(285,216)	122,235	0.0%
Contribution to Reserves	<b>(9,781,387)</b> (9,781,392)		<b>(9,781,387)</b> (9,781,387)	2.0%

**BC057-2020**

That the 2021 Capital Budget be amended to include the following adjustments presented during the Budget Committee deliberations:

Amendment	2021	2022	2023
Riverwalk	4,880,000	7,250,000	14,000,000
Community Living	10,000,000	-	-
Environmental Master Plan (CEERP)	300,000	300,000	300,000
Community Gardens / Backyard Garden Program	100,000	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>
I.T. - Internet Voting		(800,000)	
Mobile Inspect - Building (Change Funding from Tax Base to Building Reserve)	-		-

**BC058-2020**

Whereas, the City of Brampton will have in excess of \$800 million in unspent and uncommitted capital dollars in 2021;

Whereas, a **\$113,928,749** ~~\$113,910,000~~ reserve contribution for 2021 would be the largest annual contribution to reserves in the City of Brampton's history;

Whereas, a 0% tax levy for 2021 can be achieved with this record reserve contribution;

Whereas, the COVID-19 pandemic has had far-reaching and dire affects in our community;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that staff reduce the proposed 2021 reserve contributions to achieve a 0% tax levy, as outlined in the staff 'consideration - path to 0%' while still maintaining another record capital contribution.



Peter Fay  
City Clerk, City Clerk's Office  
Legislative Services



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BRAMPTON

# BY-LAW

*Number* \_\_\_\_\_ - 2020

To confirm the proceedings of Council  
at its Special Meeting held on December 9, 2020

The Council of The Corporation of the City of Brampton ENACTS as follows:

1. THAT the action of the Council at its Special Meeting of December 9, 2020 in respect to each report, motion, resolution or other action passed and taken by the Council at its meeting, is hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed, as if each resolution or other action was adopted, ratified and confirmed by its separate by-law; and
2. THAT the Mayor and the proper officers of the city are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action, or to obtain approvals where required, and except where otherwise provided, the Mayor and the Clerk are hereby directed to execute all documents necessary in that behalf and to affix the corporate seal of the City to all such documents. Where the subject matter of any such action is within a sphere or jurisdiction assigned to The Corporation of the City of Brampton pursuant to section 11 of the Municipal Act, 2001, the authority granted by this section includes the use of natural person powers under section 8 of the Municipal Act, 2001; and
3. THAT this by-law, to the extent to which it provides authority for or constitutes the exercise by the Council of its powers to proceed with, or to provide any money for, any undertaking, work, project, scheme, act, matter or thing which requires an approval in addition to the approval of the Council, shall not take effect until the additional approval has been obtained.

Dated at the City of Brampton this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020.

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Patrick Brown, Mayor

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Peter Fay, City Clerk