

Agenda Active Transportation Advisory Committee The Corporation of the City of Brampton

Date: Tuesday, April 8, 2025

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Hybrid Meeting - Virtual Option & In-Person in Council Chambers – 4th Floor –

City Hall

Members: Lisa Stokes (Co-Chair)

Cindy Evans

Alina Grzejszczak

Dayle Laing
Barry Lavallee
Steven Lee

Regional Councillor Rowena Santos

In Attendance Stephen Laidlaw (Co-Chair)

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1.	Call to	Order

- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act
- 4. Previous Minutes
- 4.1 Minutes Active Transportation Advisory Committee February 11, 2025

The minutes were considered by Planning and Development Committee on February 24, 2025, and were approved by Council on February 26, 2025. The minutes are provided for Committee's information.

- 5. Presentations / Delegations
- 5.1 Presentation by City Evans, Citizen Member, re: Gitty Up More Bums on Bikes

To be received.

5.2 Presentation by Steve Laidlaw, Co-Chair, re: Pedestrian Crossover on Torbram Road

To be received.

Presentation from Tyron Nimalakumar, Transportation Planner, Planning, Building and Growth Management and Sara Cullen, Transportation Planner, Planning Building and Growth Management re: Latest Updates to the 2025 Work Plan and Bike Month Planning.

To be received.

5.4 Presentation by Steve Laidlaw, Co-Chair, re: Brampton Active Transportation Infrastructure Winter Maintenance

To be received.

6. Reports / Updates

Verbal Update from Tyron Nimalakumar, Transportation Planner, Planning, Building and Growth Management re: Statistics from the Toronto Outdoor Adventure Show.

To be received.

Verbal Update from Steve Laidlaw, Co-Chair, re: The Toronto Bike Show and E-Bike Expo

To be received.

7. Other / New Business / Information Items

7.1 Discussion re: The Ontario Bike Summit

8. Correspondence

8.1 Correspondence from David Laing, Brampton Resident, re: Brampton Biosphere Eco-City

To be received.

9. Question Period

10. Public Question Period

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

11. Adjournment

Next Regular Meeting: Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.



Minutes

Active Transportation Advisory Committee The Corporation of the City of Brampton

Tuesday, February 11, 2025

Members Present: Stephen Laidlaw (Co-Chair)

Cindy Evans

Alina Grzejszczak

Dayle Laing (arrived 7:10pm)

Barry Lavallee Steven Lee

Members Absent: Lisa Stokes (Co-Chair)

Enzo Bek

Regional Councillor Rowena Santos (personal)

Staff Present: Nelson Cadete, Sr. Manager, Transportation Planning, Planning,

Building and Growth Management

Fernanda Duarte Peixoto Soares, Project Manager, Active

Transportation

Tyron Nimalakumar, Transportation Manager, Active

Transportation

Chandra Urquhart, Legislative Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. and adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

ATC001-2025

That the agenda for the Active Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting of February 11, 2025, be approved, as amended, as follows:

To Add:

7.3 - Correspondence from Enzo Bek, Citizen Member, dated February 9, 2025, re: Resignation from the Active Transportation Advisory Committee

Carried

3. <u>Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act</u>

Nil

4. <u>Previous Minutes</u>

4.1 Minutes - Active Transportation Advisory Committee - December 10, 2024

The minutes were considered by the Planning and Development Committee on January 13, 2025, and were approved by Council on January 22, 2025. The minutes were provided for Committee's information.

5. <u>Presentations / Delegations</u>

5.1 Presentation by Stephen Laidlaw, Co-Chair, re: Bicycle Parking in Brampton

Stephen Laidlaw, Co-Chair, provided an overview of Bicycle Parking in Brampton and responded to questions of clarification from Committee.

Committee discussion included the following:

- Question regarding the process of installing bicycle racks on private property.
- Advised plans are in the works for bicycle parking in the public realm.
- Clarification that staff are currently undertaking a comprehensive Zoning By-law review that will include bicycle parking land usage.
- Question regarding whether the style of municipal bike racks is being reviewed.
- Concern was raised regarding bike post ring rack installation as bikes can easily be stolen.

The following motion was considered.

ATC002-2025

That the presentation from Stephen Laidlaw, Co-Chair, re: **Bicycle Parking in Brampton**, to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting of February 11, 2025, be received.

Carried

5.2 Presentation by Fernanda Soares, Project Manager, Active Transportation,
Planning, Building and Growth Management, re: The 2025 Active Transportation
Work Plan

Fernanda Soares, Project Manager Active Transportation, Integrated City Planning, provided a detailed overview of the 2025 Active Transportation Work Plan and responded to guestions of clarification from Committee.

Committee discussion included the following:

- Question regarding whether the redesign of Kensington Road and Kings Cross intersection to make it easier for pedestrians to cross is being considered.
- Question regarding Etobicoke Creek Trail between Loafers Lake and Conservation Drive is listed for repair.
- Questions regarding how Pedestrian Crossing Overs (PXO's) are prioritized, are they located with signalized lights and are they all constructed with improved lighting.
- Clarification that new options regarding counters are being reviewed.

 Clarification regarding the costs associated with the Howden Boulevard design exercise and consultation.

The following motion was considered.

ATC003-2025

 That the presentation from Fernanda Soares, Project Manager Active Transportation, Integrated City Planning re: The 2025 Active Transportation Master Plan, to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting of February 11, 2025, be received.

Carried

6. Reports / Updates

Nil

7. Other / New Business / Information Items

7.1 Active Transportation Advisory Committee - Sub-Committee Minutes - January 21, 2025

The following motion was considered.

ATC004-2025

That the Active Transportation Advisory Committee Sub-Committee Minutes of January 21, 2025, to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting of February 11, 2025, be received.

Carried

7.2 Discussion at the request of Stephen Laidlaw, Co-Chair, re: Degradation of the Asphalt Road Surface at Bus Stops on the Vodden Street Bicycle Lanes

Stephen Laidlaw, Co-Chair advised that the asphalt is failing at three to four bus stops along Vodden Street. Mr. Laidlaw advised that these sections were repaved approximately two years ago and sought clarification as to whether the degradation of the road surface is normal.

Fernanda Soares, Project Manager Active Transportation, Integrated City Planning, advised that further conversations will be had with staff in the Roads

Maintenance department regarding the warranty period and future concerns. Ms. Soares will provide an update at a future meeting.

7.3 Correspondence from Enzo Bek, Citizen Member, dated February 9, 2025, re: Resignation from the Active Transportation Advisory Committee

The correspondence was acknowledged by the Committee.

The following motion was considered.

ATC005-2025

That the correspondence from Enzo Bek, Citizen Member, dated February 9, 2025, re: **Resignation from the Active Transportation Advisory Committee**, to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting of February 11, 2025, be received.

Carried

8. Correspondence

Nil

9. Question Period

Dayle Laing, Citizen Member, asked a question regarding what will be done regarding the low composition of members actively on the Active Transportation Advisory Committee.

In response to Ms. Laing's question, City Clerk's staff advised that a recruit is being considered for all Council Committees.

10. <u>Public Question Period</u>

The public was given the opportunity to submit questions in person or via e-mail to the City Clerk's Office regarding any decisions made at this meeting. C. Urquhart, Legislative Coordinator, confirmed there were no questions from the public.

11. Adjournment	t
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The following motion was considered.

ATC006-2025

That the Active Transportation Advisory Committee do now adjourn to meet again for a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair.

Carried
Steven Laidlaw (Co-Chair)
Lisa Stokes (Co-Chair)



Gitty-up More bums on bikes

Data from Google Environmental Explorer Atmospheric Fund – Transportation Peel 2023

In Brampton cyclists have demonstrated a

- •17% increase in the distance travelled
- •22% increase in number of cycling trips

Bikes at schools in Sept/Oct 2024

Bikes (not including scooters or mini bikes)	School surveyed – random days in September/October
61	Heart Lake SS
50	Harold Braithwaite SS
44	Central Peel SS
39	Centennial SS
33	Bramalea SS
27	North Park SS
8	Turner Fenton SS

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Should Brampton provide funding specifically for promoting cycling to youth?

Benefits:

Increase physical activity

Develop independence

Reduce stress

Save money

Save caregivers/parents time

Personal benefits translate into environmental & community benefits

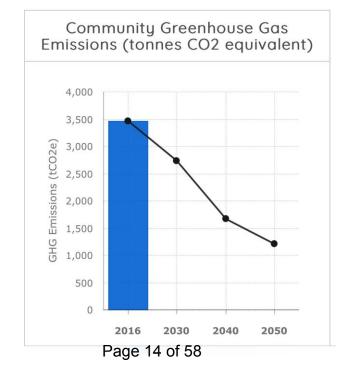




GeoHub Home

Community Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Needs Improvement
Target: Reduce Community GHG
Emissions by 30% from 2016 levels by
2030, 40% from 2016 levels by 2040 and
at least 80% from 2016 by 2050



Novo Nordisk Network for Healthy Populations



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Apr 15, 2024

New Report Shows Type 2 Diabetes is More Prevalent in Peel Region



By Krista Lamb

On April 15, 2024 the Novo Nordisk Network for Healthy Populations at the University of Toronto released their report, *The Current State of Type*

Ideas from other communities

1) Bike bus to school

Portland

Can't be consistently applied

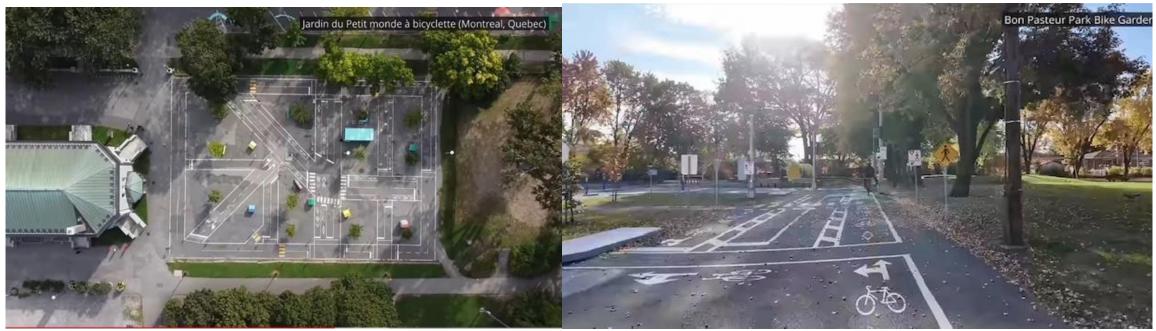
Depends on volunteers



2) Bike Gardens

Montreal and Laval

• From Does Biking in the Suburbs have to Suck? The Urbanity



3) Bike Skills/Lessons

- Ride Smart from New Hope Community Bikes in Hamilton
- Newhopecommunitybikes.com
- School based
- week long program
- Provide everything
- Grades 4-7
- **\$15**/student



Skills-continued

Youth Spokes -Sarnia/Lambton

- Bigf.ca
- Free program
- 10 weeks
- 11-14yo
- Sunday afternoons from 2-4
- Includes to bussed field trips
- Pay what you can (approx \$200)



Have 20 spare bikes and helmets for kids without a bike.

Torbram Road

A case study for signalized pedestrian crossovers on four lane arterial roads in the City of Brampton.

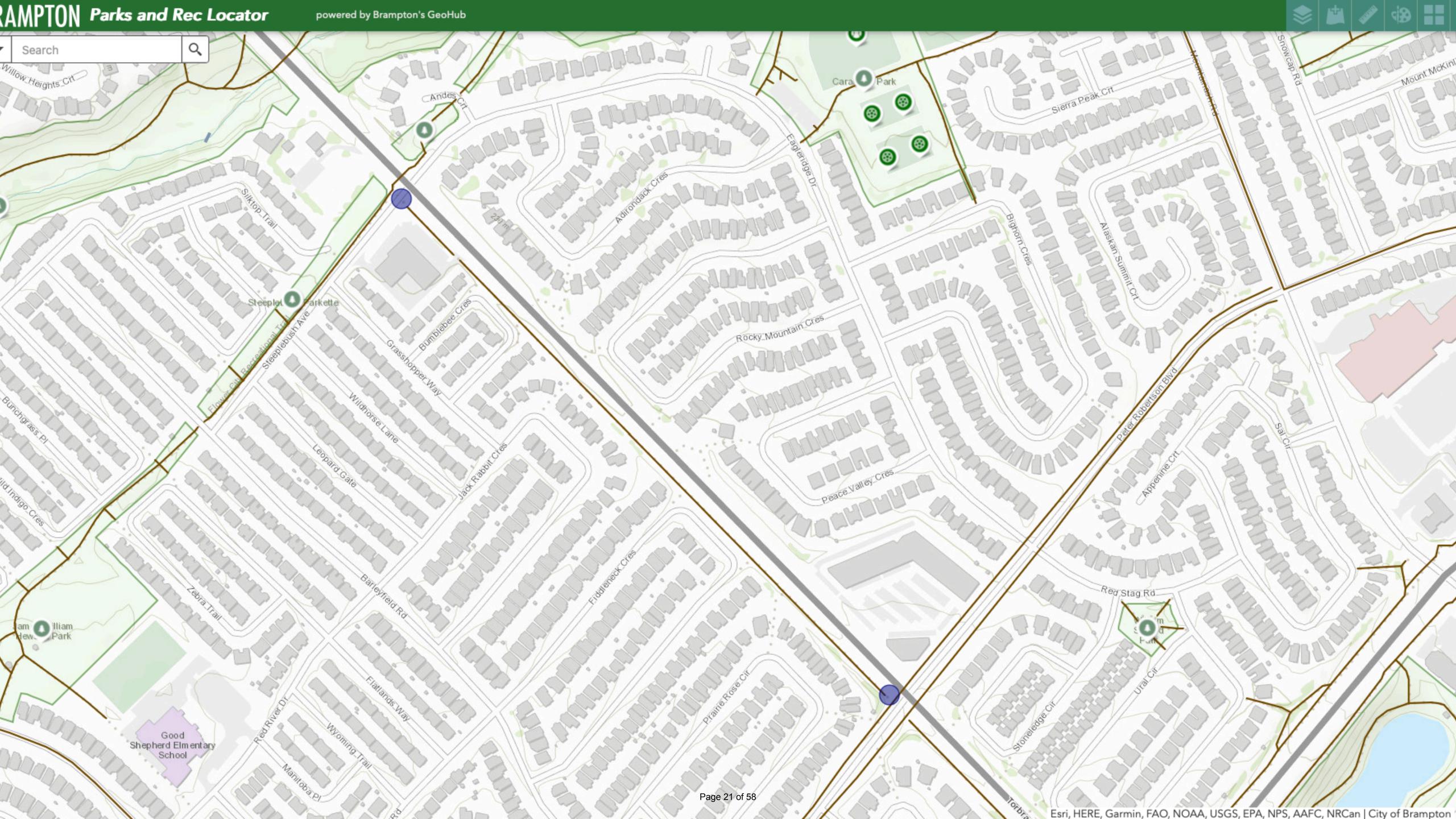
Stephen Laidlaw

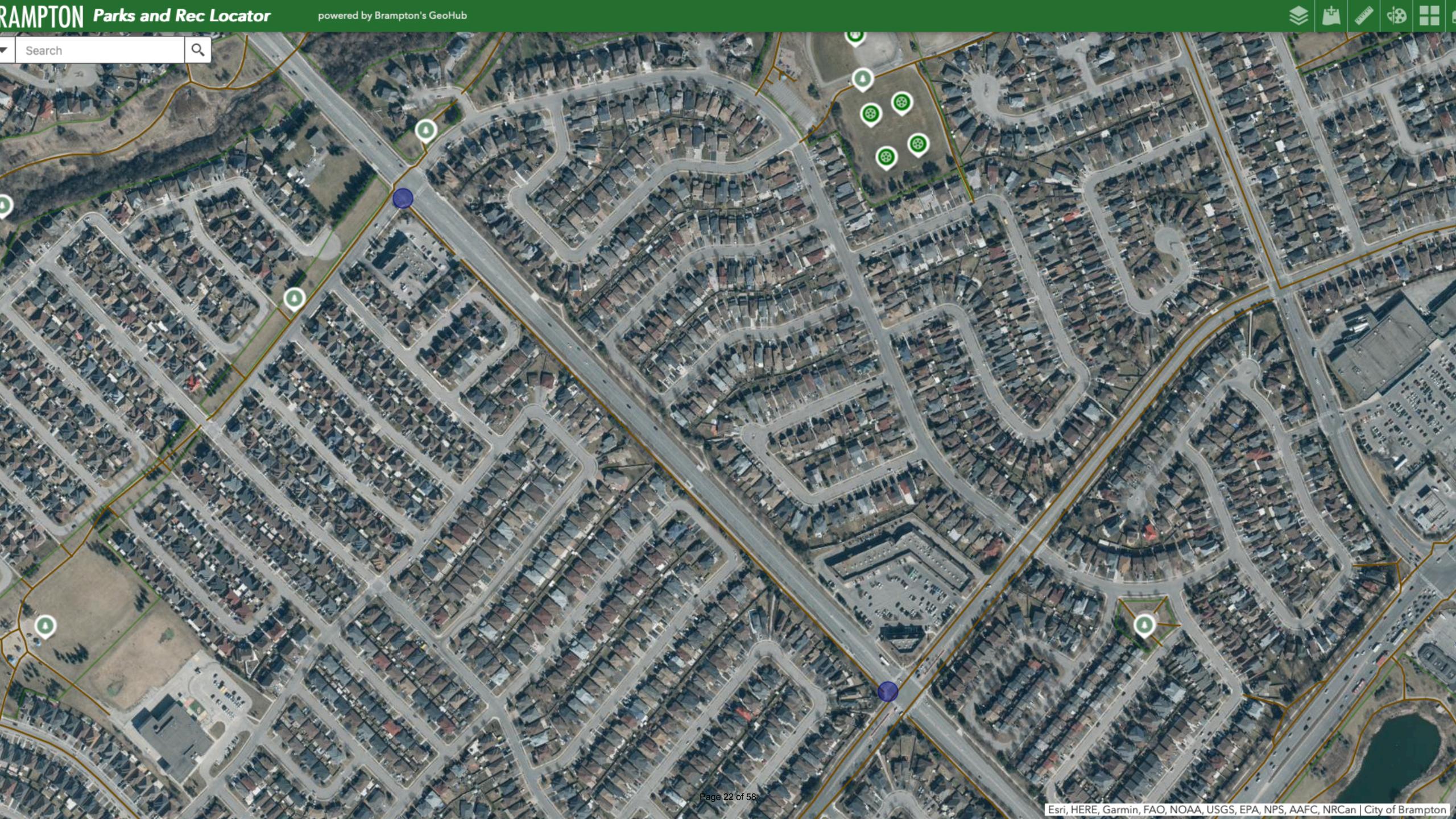
Active Transportation Advisory Committee

Area of Study

Torbram Road, between Peter Robertson Boulevard and Steeplebush Avenue/Eagleridge Drive.

- This is a four lane, north/south, arterial road, bordered on both side by residential neighbourhoods, maintained by the City of Brampton.
- The distance from Peter Robertson Blvd. To Steeplebush Ave. is measured at approximately, 740 metres.
- There are three, mid-block bus stops on this section of road. One on the west side and two on the east side.
- There are ten neighbourhood, mid-block, sidewalk access points, to either sidewalk or multi-use path, on Torbram Road.





Conclusion.

Pedestrian and transit user safety concerns. Questions to be answered.

- Without a signalized pedestrian cross over, is it reasonable to expect a
 pedestrian, wishing to access transit, or to access neighbourhoods on the
 opposite side of Torbram Road, to walk a maximum of 740 metres, in order to
 use an intersection cross walk?
- Does this type of road design encourage pedestrians to cross four lanes of traffic, mid-block?
- Does a 740 metre stretch of uninterrupted, four lane road, encourage vehicular speeding?



2025 Work Plan Update

8 April 2025

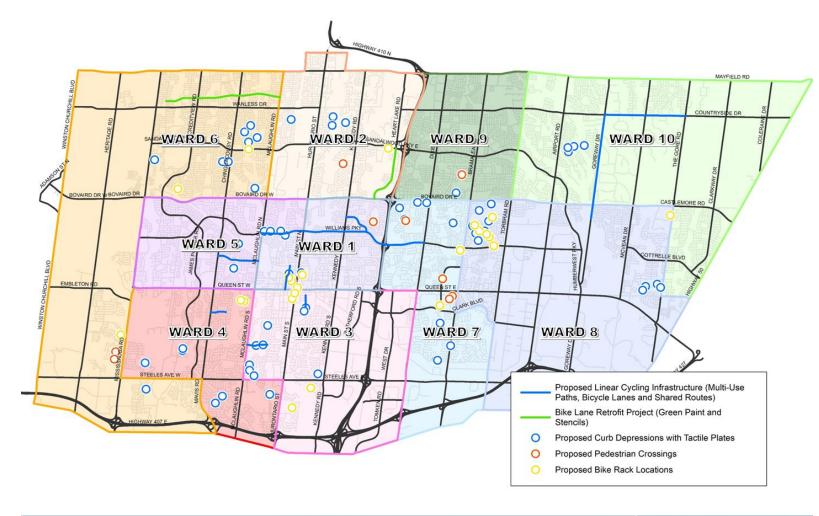
ATAC Meeting

Sara Cullen & Tyron Nimalakumar

Transportation Planners
Integrated City Planning

Planning, Building and Growth Management





Workplan Implementation Locations





Curb Cuts

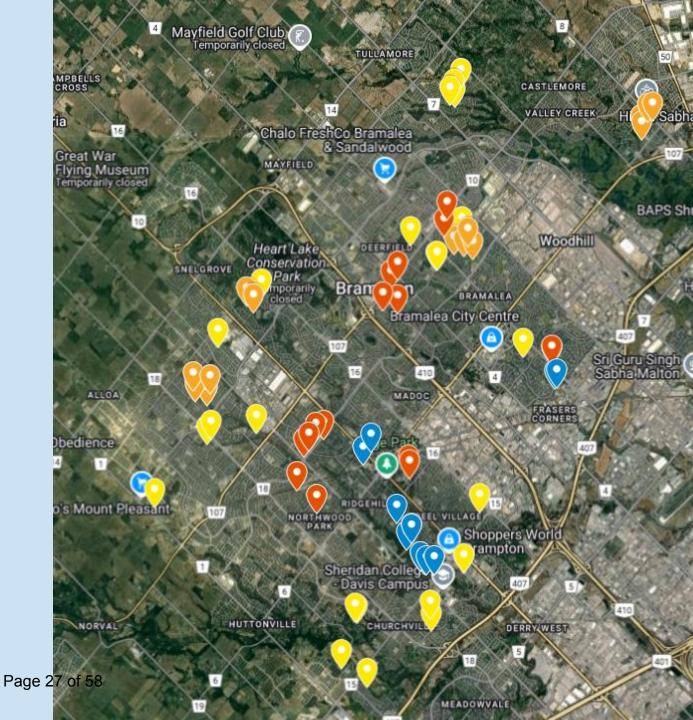
- 3 sources of work
- Parks Reconstruction: Identifying curbs cuts at 6 proposed park projects
- Road Resurfacing: Roads from the deferred 2024 and current 2025 schedules
- Fix-it Program: Leveraging existing maintenance contracts with Fix-It funding
 - Bike the Creek Routes
 - Service Requests
 - Major Trails
 - School Crossings





Curb Cuts

- 3 sources of work subject to changes based on budget and traffic analysis
- Parks Reconstruction: Identified 14 curbs cuts at
 6 proposed park projects
- Road Resurfacing: 17 from the deferred 2024
 schedule and 11 from the current 2025 schedule
- Fix-it Program: 25 proposals identified, subject to funding



PXOs

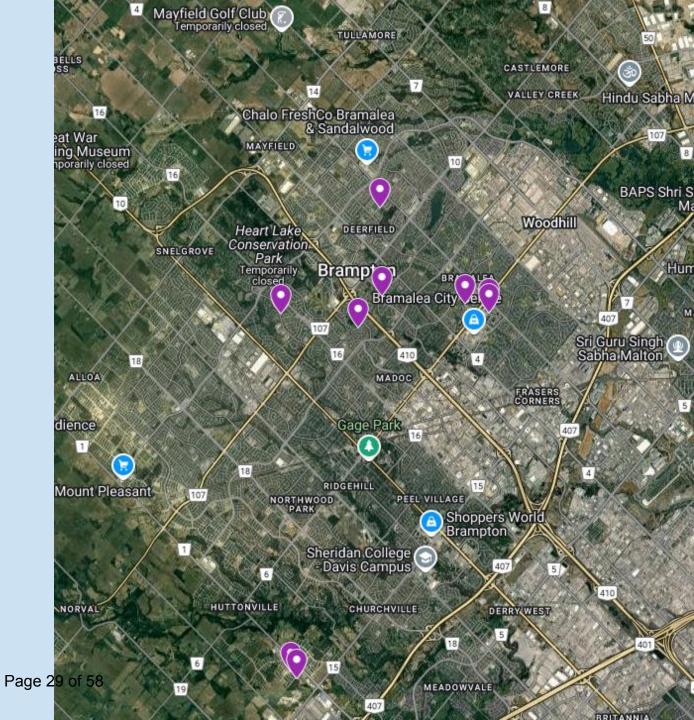
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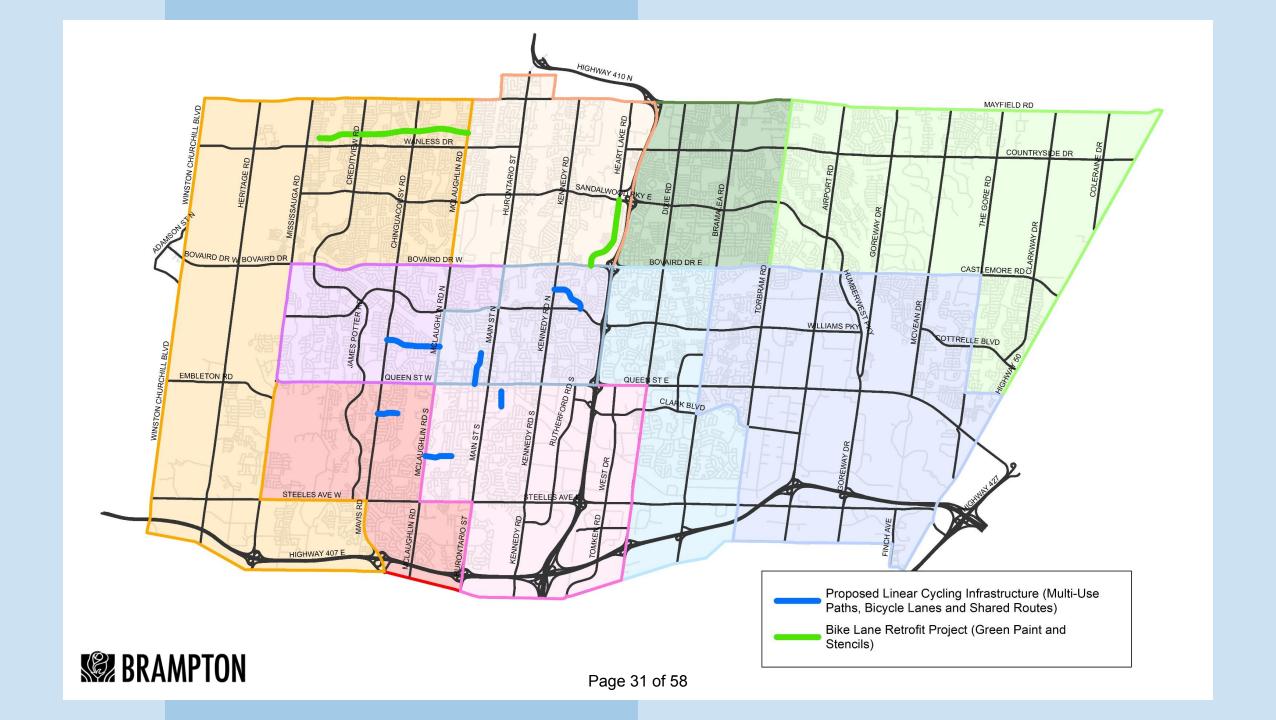


Painted Infrastructure

- Green Paint Retrofit: Touch-ups to be done along Remembrance Drive and Heart Lake Road
- Linear Infrastructure for 2024 Deferred and 2025
 Road Resurfacing Projects





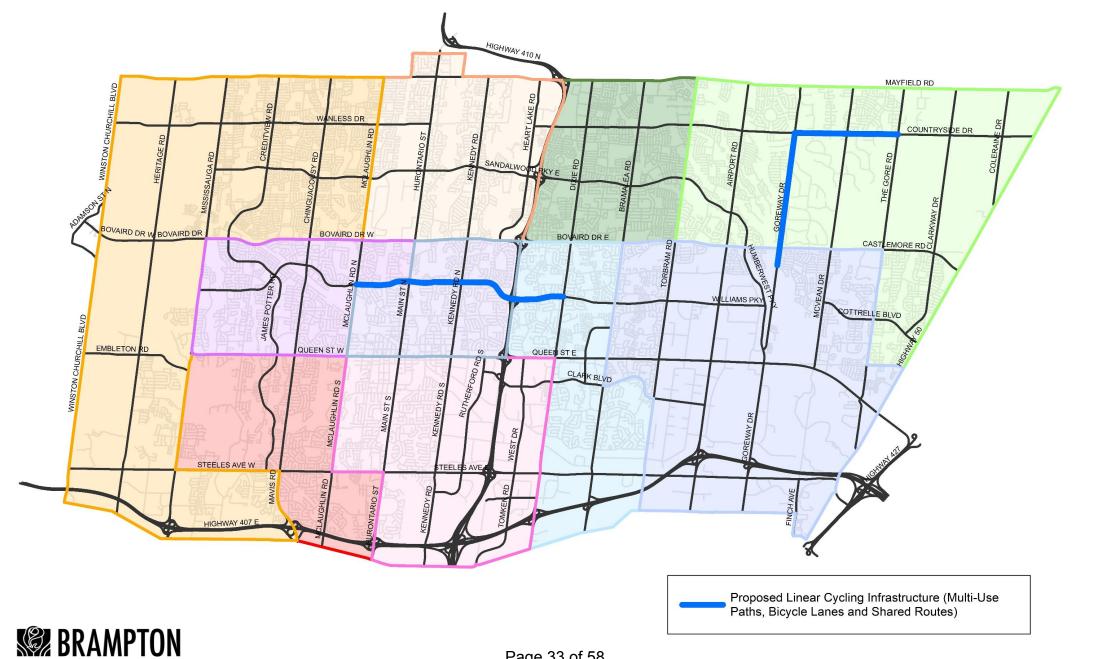


Capital Projects

- MUPs to be installed along Williams, Countryside and Goreway
- Howden redesign project has commenced, ATAC
 will be requested to provide feedback on
 proposed designs during the process









Bicycle
Parking
Programs

Bike Rack Program
Region of Peel

Bicycle Friendly Businesses
City of Brampton
Ontario by Bike

ATMP Implementation
City of Brampton



Bike Rack Program

Peel Region

- Used to install bicycle racks on publicly funded school properties
- Funding and implementation provided by the Region
- ATAC Members encouraged to promote program to all schools via cycling website





Bicycle Friendly Businesses





- Used to install bicycle racks on private properties where businesses meet certification criteria
- Funding provided by CAA
- Part of 2025 AT Work Plan

Process

- Businesses must apply with the Tourism Department
- Installation provided by the City
- ATAC encouraged to provide details to businesses





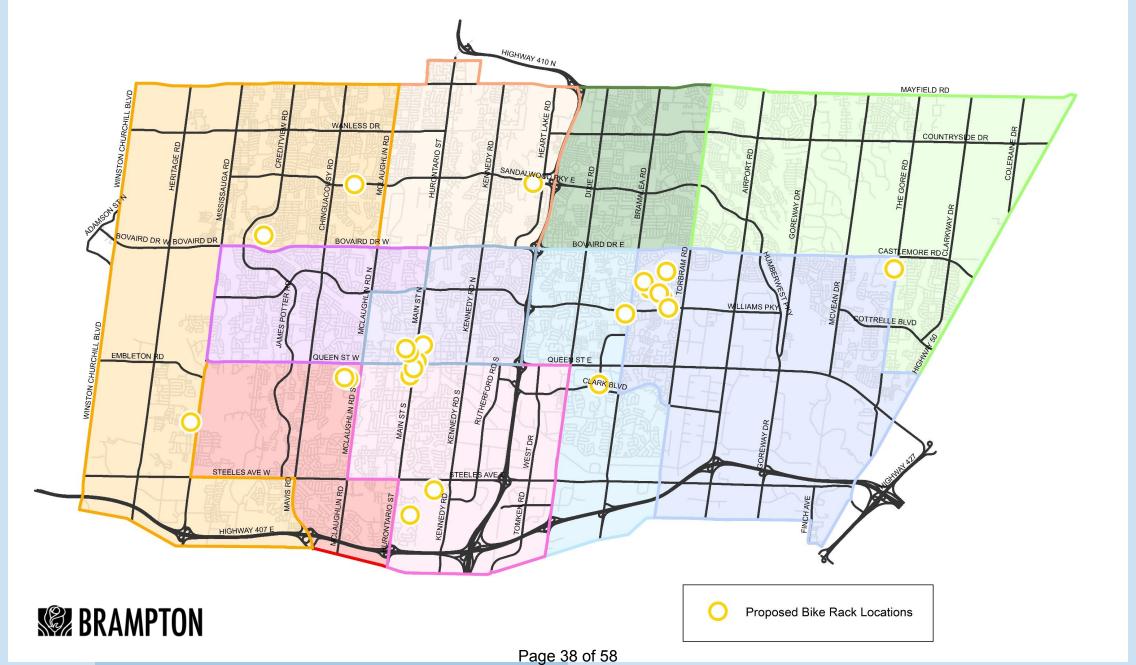
ATMP Implementation

BRAMPTON

- Used to install bicycle racks on public property
- Funding and implementation provided by the City
- Location categories include parks, recreation centres, libraries, public right-of-way, and transit
- 2022 Audit of public locations with bicycle parking performed
- 2025 Inverted U racks will be installed throughout the city, locations with high need or a planned park reconstruction prioritized











- Community Rides (May 26, June 4, 9, 18, 23)
- Repair Workshops (May 30, June 6, 13, 20, 27)
- Bike the Creek (June 8)
- Bike to Work Week (June 16 to 22)

RIDE YOUR BIKE. DISCOVER YOUR CITY.

Learn more at brampton.ca/cycling



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Bike Month



Major Dates – Volunteer Opportunities

Tuesday May 6th – Wednesday May 8th: Stenciling for BtC

Week of May 12th - May 16th: BtC H-Frames

Saturday May 24th: Bike Festival

Saturday May 31st: Grow Green Festival

Friday June 6th: Signing for BtC

Saturday June 7th: Bike the Creek

Sunday June 8th: Removal of BtC signage

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Major Dates – Spread the Word

March 3rd - May 9th: ROP Bike to School Sign Up

May 26th - June 27th: ROP Bike to School Week Initiative

Assist Region in getting the word out

June 18th: Internal Bike to Work Day

June 1st to June 30th: Bike to Work Campaign

Send inquiries to tyron.nimalakumar@brampton.ca



Bike Month

- Comms Plan Initiated
- Reusing old layout
- Potential for Bike Bingo
- Ads / Videos
- Open to new ideas





Community Rides

- 15 rides including Diwali
 Glow Ride
- Finalize routes in April for website
- First ride on Sunday May 25th
- Need assistance with ride organizing





Brampton Bike Festival

- Sat May 24
- Chinguacousy Park
- Venue Booked Vendors have been emailed
- Rain plan cancellation
- Suggestions welcomed





Bike the Creek

- AT Team to assist with BtC
- Collaboration:
 - Stencilling
 - H-Frames
 - Wayfinding
 - Sign Removal
- T-Shirts
- Test ride?





Bike to Work

- Internal Event for City Staff
 - Allows for better uptake
 - Staff Bike Ride
- External Support:
 - Swag Kit + Information
 - Survey
 - Need more contacts
 - BBOT + William Osler







Brampton Active Transportation Infrastructure Winter Maintenance

General overview for the winter of 2024/2025.

Separated Bike Lane 10 -15 cm of snow

Vodden Street west of Kennedy Road.



Separated Bike Lane over 50 cm snow

Vodden Street at Post Road.



Problem Areas for snow clearing.

200 Clark Boulevard

 The main bus stop servicing the south side of the Bramalea City Centre abuts the city owned property at 200 Clark Boulevard. Formally the site of the Bramalea Bus Terminal, this property still receives winter maintenance. A walkway leads from a main exit of the B.C.C., across this property to the bus stop. Two junctures of this walkway are not maintained, as illustrated in the following slide.







Problem Area For Snow Clearing

Bicycle Racks On Municipal Property

• The following pictures were taken a number of days after a significant snowfall. They were taken at the Chinguacousy Park Ski Chalet, which functions as the local library branch. This is an extreme case of irresponsible snow clearing. The problem being, that the snow blocking these bicycle racks takes more than three weeks to melt, depending on the weather conditions. I would encourage the City of Brampton to specify in all contracts and to facility maintenance staff, that bicycle racks be included for snow clearing.





ConclusionSnow Clearing Expectations

 As a community, we value prompt snow clearing, in order to continue our daily schedules. This shall not be limited to road ways, but include active transportation networks of sidewalks and park paths. Any interruptions of snow clearing by city staff, or contractors, could result in hazardous conditions, which limits certain citizen's opportunities.



Conclusion Interuptions of snow clearing.

- Sidewalk plows lifting the plow blade, causing tire ruts.
- Mounding of snow, where park paths meet roads.
- Inadequate clearing around bus stops.
- Inadequate clearing of park bridges.
- Late clearing after snow drifting events.



Hi Steve and Fernanda,

I hope you are both doing well.

I want to bring your attention to a youth event being held in Brampton next month related to the environment and active transportation. It is being organized by Brampton Biosphere Eco-city, a youth led volunteer initiative aimed at making Brampton a sustainable city.

The event is a speaking contest where secondary school students research and deliver a speech about an environmental issue they are passionate about. This year's contest theme is about sustainable transportation. The contest will be held on Thursday April 24, 6:00pm at Brampton City Hall in the West Tower.

The contest is open to all Brampton secondary school students. Students interested in participating in the contest should contact, clarissa@bioecocity.org. Those interested in attending the event can purchase tickets through Eventbrite.

Please help promote this event which is being supported by the City of Brampton.

Sincerely,
David Laing
Link:
http://brampton.biocity.org/youth-environmental-speaking-contest/