



# **Government Relations Matters**

**City Council  
February 17, 2021**

## Planning and Growth Management Committee

Thursday, February 18, 2021 1:30 PM | Committee agenda is available [here](#).

- Peel 2041+ - Regional Official Plan Review and Municipal Comprehensive Review Overview

\*Staff from Public Affairs have reviewed the committee agenda and engaged the appropriate department staff.

## Expanding asymptomatic and symptomatic testing in schools



## Ontario Increases Mental Health Supports for Postsecondary Students



## Moving March Break to Keep Kids Safe



#KeepingKidsSafe



**February 12, 2021:** Adjusted the level of 27 Public Health Regions as per the COVID-19 Response Framework. North Bay Parry Sound District, **Peel Public Health**, Toronto Public Health and York Region Public Health, the shutdown measures and the Stay-at-Home order continue until at least Monday, February 22, 2021.

**February 11, 2021:** Postponed March break until April 12-16, 2021.

**February 10, 2021:** Extending electricity rate relief for families, small businesses and farms while the province maintains the Stay-at-Home Order in the majority of public health regions. The government will continue to hold electricity prices to the off-peak rate of 8.5 cents per kilowatt-hour until February 22, 2021

**February 10, 2021:** Released the province's *2020-21 Third Quarter Finances*. The government is projecting to spend \$25B more than last year, including an additional \$2.6B since the *2020 Budget*. The report projects a deficit of \$38.5B in 2020-21, unchanged from the deficit outlook projected in the 2020 Budget.

**February 9, 2021:** Providing \$7M to help increase access to mental health and addiction services for postsecondary students during COVID-19.



**February 11, 2021:** Virtual launch of Brampton based Ryerson University's Catalyst Cyber Range, including an additional *FedDev Ontario* investment of nearly \$660,000 for *Ryerson University's Rogers Cybersecure Catalyst*.

**February 10, 2021:** Announced \$14.9B for public transit projects over the next eight years, including introduction of a permanent transit fund of \$3B per year for Canadian communities beginning in 2026-27. Consultations are anticipated to begin in the coming months.

**February 9, 2021:** Launched the first application intake for projects under the *Canada Healthy Communities Initiative*. The Government of Canada will fund eligible projects that fall under three main themes:

- creating safe and vibrant public spaces,
- improving mobility options,
- digital solutions.

Funding ranges from \$5,000 to \$250,000. Application deadline is March 9.

**February 9, 2021:** Announced funding for the renovation of the Chinguacousy Wellness Centre:

- Federal: \$572,000 | Provincial: \$476,619 | City of Brampton - \$381,381