

Whereas the Brampton City Council has declared a climate emergency, acknowledging the ongoing climate crisis, and that the City needs to reduce emissions.

Whereas Brampton City Council has recently planned to strengthen climate targets

Whereas research has found that 59% of emissions in the City of Brampton are from transportation, and 47% of the total are from gasoline, overwhelmingly from private automobiles.

Whereas currently the vast majority of Brampton residents community by cars, and most do not work within the City of Brampton.

Whereas public transit has been shown to emit dramatically less GHGs than private automobiles.

Whereas Brampton Transit and MiWay have a history of collaboration, and the plurality of residents of Brampton who do not work in Brampton work in Mississauga.

Whereas Brampton Transit and MiWay had previously collaborated to create a U Pass for Sheridan College.

Whereas Brampton is planning a new high density mixed use community at Highway 10 and Steeles, near the border with Mississauga, and is likely to have a significant number of residents in Brampton, and a significant number of residents of Mississauga travel there for shopping or work.

Whereas Brampton and Mississauga share a number of large employers and educators such as Peel District School Board, Alectra (which is consolidating their Brampton and Mississauga facilities in Brampton), Sheridan College, Maple Lodge Farms, Air Canada, and the Region of Peel.

Now therefore the Brampton Transit Advisory Committee recommends to Brampton City Council:

1. That Brampton Regional Councillors collaborate with their Mississauga and Caledon counterparts to pursue a Regional Transit Pass, which is interoperable across the Region of Peel, allowing seamless travel, while maintaining Brampton Transit and MiWay under their respective municipalities.
2. That Brampton Transit restart negotiations with MiWay, and include the Town of Caledon in negotiations.
3. That major employers and educators be included in the discussion to manage regional transportation demand.