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City Council September 30, 2020





Special Council Meeting October 01, 2020 9:00 AM

Health System Integration Committee October 01, 2020 9:30 AM

Waste Management Strategic Advisory Committee Thursday, October 01, 2020 11:00 AM

Regional Council Policies and Procedures Committee*

Thursday, October 01, 2020 1:00 PM

*5.2: Review of Regional Council Composition

Region of Peel Regional Council Policies and Procedures Committee – October 01, 2020



5.2: Review of Regional Council Composition (For Information)

<u>Overview</u>

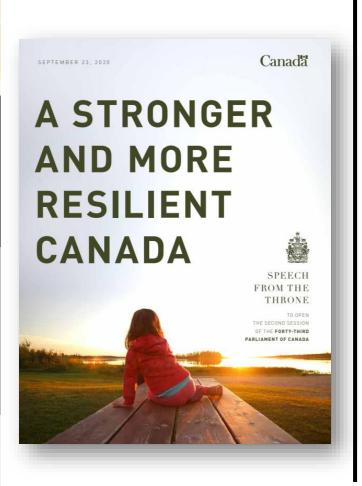
- At the February 6, 2020 meeting of Regional Council Policies and Procedures Committee (PPC), this report titled "Review of Regional Council Composition" was deferred to the next PPC meeting.
- Under the Municipal Act, 2001, regional municipalities are required to review, for each of their lower-tier municipalities, the number of members of their council that represent the lower tier.
- The report provides options for Council's consideration regarding the method of conducting a review
- Options for the Regional Council's consideration include:
 - 1. Do nothing.
 - 2. The Region of Peel may proceed in accordance with Ontario Regulation 45/17 which has not been repealed. This option does not eliminate the requirement for a triple majority process.
 - 3. Establish a task force comprised of Councillors and staff to make recommendations to Regional Council.
 - 4. Refer the issue to the Council Policies and Procedures Committee to make recommendations to Regional Council.
 - 5. Schedule Special Meetings of Regional Council for the purpose of conducting the review.

City of Brampton (Comments from Public Affairs)

• A fair Regional Council composition ensures Brampton residents continue to receive core Regional services in the most cost effective and efficient way possible

<u>City Staff Recommendation</u> **Receive the Report**

Federal Government Update



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September 23, 2020: Speech from the Throne – Key Themes and Priority Areas

Canada

- Keeping Canadians safe
- Addressing Canada's housing affordability crisis
- Supporting public transit, building climate-resilient communities, and scalingup local sustainability initiatives
- Commitment to work with municipalities to expand urban parks, and advance the fight against climate change through nature-based solutions and tree planting

September 21, 2020: New \$1B Rapid Housing Initiative (RHI) to help address urgent housing needs of vulnerable Canadians by rapidly creating new affordable housing:

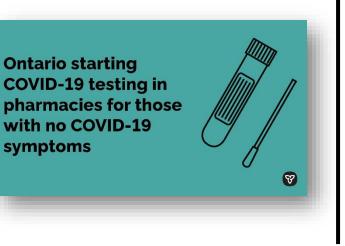
- RHI will cover the construction of modular housing, acquisition of land, conversion of existing buildings to affordable housing. Expected to create up to 3,000 new affordable housing units across the country
- In addition, provide \$236.7M through Reaching Home: Canada's Homelessness Strategy to extend and expand the emergency response to the COVID-19 outbreak

The Government is expected to release an update to Canada's COVID-19 Response Plan this fall.









September 23, 2020: As of September 25, up to 60 pharmacies will begin offering testing, by appointment only, with further locations coming online in the coming weeks – 9 locations in Brampton.

September 23, 2020: The Public Accounts reports a 2019-20 deficit of \$8.7B — \$1.6B lower than the 2019 Budget projection. Total expenses for 2019-20 were \$3.7B higher than the previous year, mainly driven by increased investment in the health sector, including funding to prevent and contain the spread of COVID-19