

# Government Relations Matters

City Council  
October 18, 2023



### **Health System Integration Committee**

Thursday, October 19, 2023 @ 9:30 AM | Meeting agenda is available [here](#)

### **Government Relations Committee**

Thursday, October 19, 2023 @ 11:00 AM | Meeting agenda is available [here](#)

### **Waste Management Strategic Advisory Committee**

Thursday, October 19, 2023 @ 1:00 PM | Meeting agenda is available [here](#)

### 6.1 Update on Peel Region Advocacy Priorities (For Information)

#### Summary:

- The Report provides an update on the Region of Peel advocacy priorities, and an outline of next steps and engagement opportunities on high-priority Peel Region advocacy positions.

#### Staff Comments (Government Relations):

- The report provides an overview from the 2023 AMO Conference and the Region's advocacy activities on key issues, while outlining some of key provincial legislative initiatives, including the Regional review.
- Regional staff identify future advocacy and engagement opportunities to advance Peel priorities including:
  - 2024 Federal and Provincial pre-budget submissions,
  - Youth-focused Mental Health and Addictions Roundtable on November 7, 2023,
  - FCM Advocacy Days – November 21-23, 2023.
- The GR team works closely with Regional staff to coordinate advocacy efforts and identify opportunities for collaboration.

#### Staff Recommendation:

- Receive the report.

October 16, 2023

### Legislation to Restore Greenbelt Lands

*Proposal would restore previously removed lands to the Greenbelt and ensure future changes can only be made through legislation.*



- The Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing introduced legislation that, if passed, would restore all properties that were redesignated or removed from the Greenbelt and the Oak Ridges Moraine areas in late 2022.
- The legislation would also enhance protections for the lands by ensuring any future boundary changes can only be made through a public and transparent process that would require the approval of the legislature.
- The government is proposing to keep the 9,400 acres (3,800 hectares) in the Greenbelt that were added in 2022, these include lands in the Paris Galt Moraine and in Urban River Valley areas across the Greater Toronto Area.

**NDP**  **NPD**



**Hamilton**  
**Convention 2023**

October 13, 2023

## **NDP Convention 2023**

*October 13 – 15, Hamilton, Ontario*

- First in-person convention in five years.
- Party leader, Jagmeet Singh, received support from 81% of the delegates renewing his leadership mandate moving forward.
- Cost of living, groceries and housing crisis emerged as the top concerns for the delegates.

### **AMO LAS Energy Symposium**

*November 2 – 3, 2023*

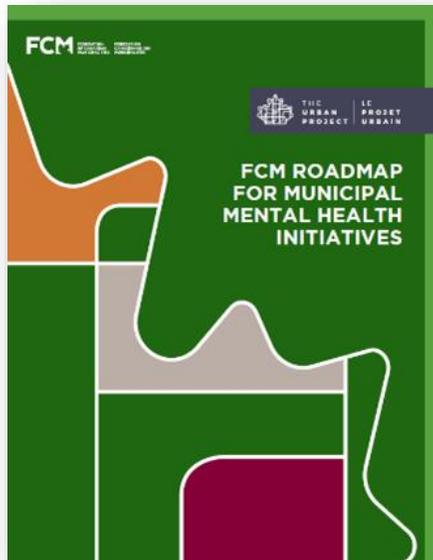
- November 2 and 3, 2023 at the Novotel Toronto Centre.
- Topics include fleet decarbonization, energy storage technologies, energy retrofits and design standards, renewable natural gas production, and EV charging infrastructure.
- Keynote speakers:
  - James Jenkins, Executive Director of Indigenous Clean Energy,
  - The Honourable Todd Smith, Minister for Energy,
  - David Collie, Chair of the Electrification and Energy Transition Panel.
- *Registration deadline is October 26, 2023.*



2023 MUNICIPAL ENERGY  
SYMPOSIUM

October 10, 2023

## FCM's Roadmap for Municipal Mental Health Initiatives



- On October 10, FCM released a step-by-step guide for municipalities interested in co-creating a sustainable mental health and well-being strategy tailored to their community's needs.
- The guide outlines seven steps, including:
  1. Completing an environmental scan,
  2. Engaging with community members and assessing needs,
  3. Finding partners and begin planning,
  4. Establish leadership and accountability,
  5. Define and choose impact indicators,
  6. Implement programs and activities,
  7. Evaluating outcomes.

THANK YOU!

