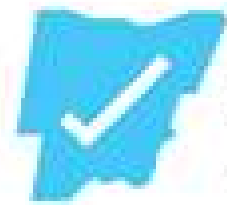


Provincial Election 2018
**Candidates and Public
Information Meeting**

Janice M. Baker
City Manager and CAO

Mississauga Civic Centre
May 17, 2018

Welcome



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Matters**

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Meeting Agenda

- **Overview**
- **Transit**
- **Infrastructure**
- **Affordable Housing**
- **Legislative Changes**
- **Q & A**



Mississauga Celebrates



Newcomers choose Mississauga



757,000
Canada's 6th largest city



Strategic Vision for City of Mississauga



2017 Citizen Satisfaction Survey



89% rate their quality of life as good or excellent

76% agree the city is moving in the right direction

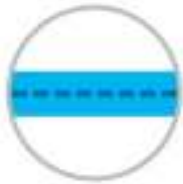
76% are satisfied with the City's overall customer service

66% believe taxes should rise to maintain/improve services (up 14%) – 11% supported a reduction in taxes and cut to services

63% feel they receive good value for their taxes (up 9%) – only 15% disagree

Increased Citizen Satisfaction

Roads



70% Satisfaction



6% since 2015

Library Services

90% Satisfaction



5% since 2015



MiWay transit



68% Satisfaction



17% since 2015

Land Development

64% Satisfaction



7% since 2015



Recreation

86% Satisfaction



6% since 2015



Recognized for Strong Financial Management

- Government Finance Officers Association Awards
 - ✓ Distinguished Budget Presentation Award
 - ✓ Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting
- Standard & Poor's
 - ✓ AAA rating received for 14th Consecutive Year



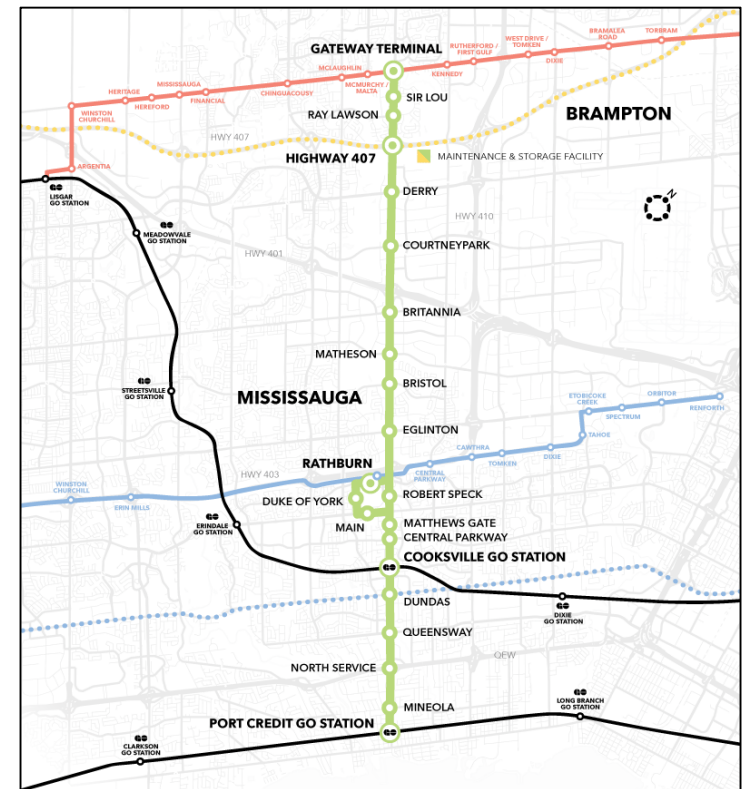
Province of Ontario is a Key Partner

“Mississauga needs a committed provincial government partner to provide consistent, predictable and long-term funding and the legislative authority to allow us to build Mississauga into a world-class city.”

*City of Mississauga , Provincial Pre-Budget submission
January, 2018*

Transit

Hurontario LRT



Downtown Mississauga Terminal and Transitway Connection



Regional Express Rail – Milton GO Line



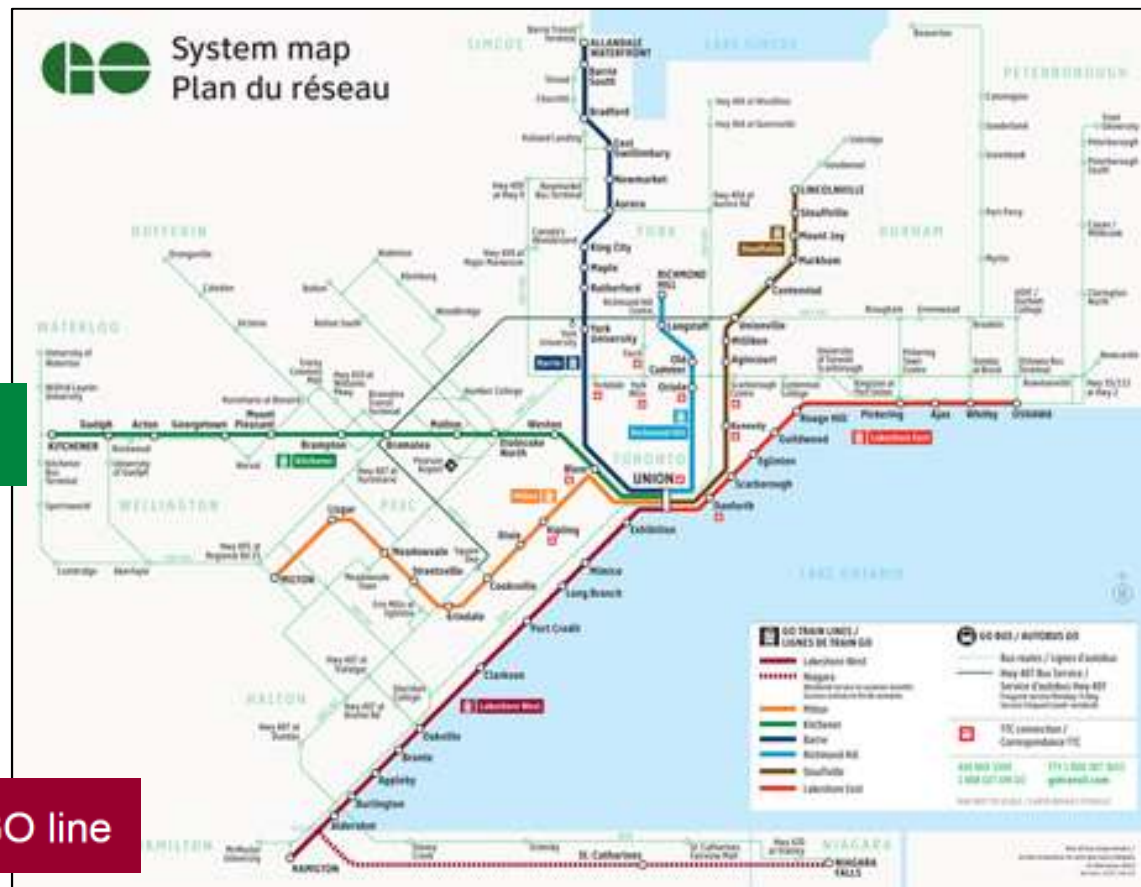
MISSISSAUGA

INVESTING IN
ALL-DAY, TWO-WAY
GO SERVICE
FOR MISSISSAUGA

Ontario's future prosperity depends on connecting talent with opportunities to the fastest growing knowledge economies beyond Toronto.

The Missing Link can achieve all-day, two-way service on the Milton GO Line, making thousands of jobs accessible by transit and creating new corridors of possibilities across the western Greater Toronto-Hamilton Area (GTHA).

Regional Express Rail - Lakeshore West and Kitchener GO Lines



Lakeshore Connecting Communities





Dundas Connects



Transit Priorities

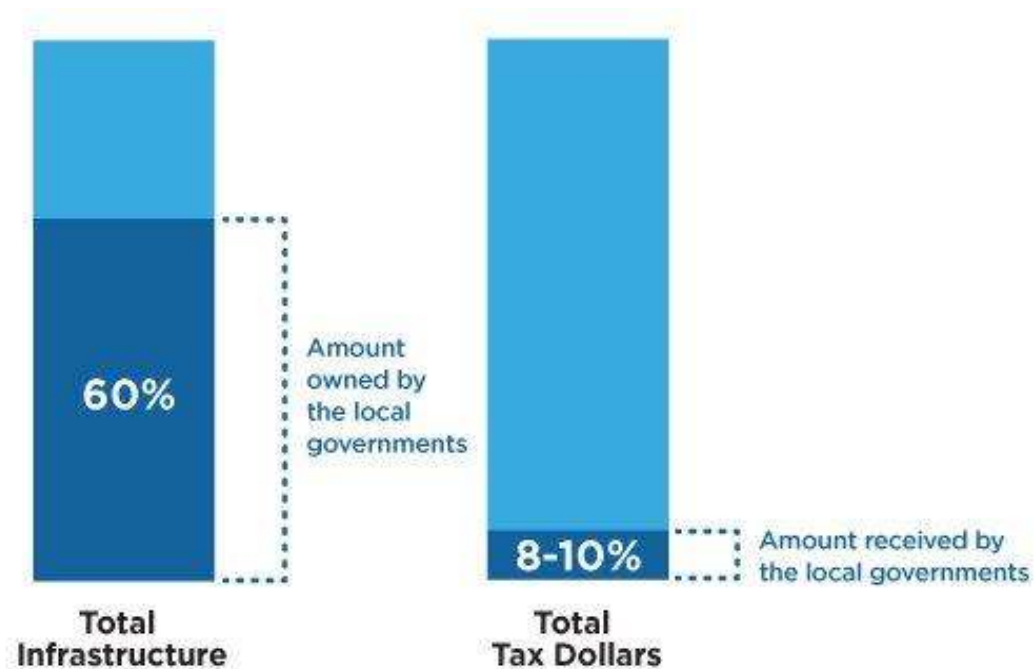


Transit Questions for Political Parties and Local Candidates

- Will you and your party fully commit to maintaining the 100% provincial funding for the Hurontario LRT?
- Will you commit to increasing train service on the Milton GO Corridor, including all-day, two-way service?
- The current government has committed to doubling the gas tax by 2022. This has been a good mechanism to grow both local and regional transit. As we develop other transit plans, including our Transportation Master Plan, are you committed to maintaining the plan to double the gas tax and to work with us to develop funding mechanisms, like the gas tax, to help us build transit?

Infrastructure

Assets We Own – Need for a Provincial Funding Partner

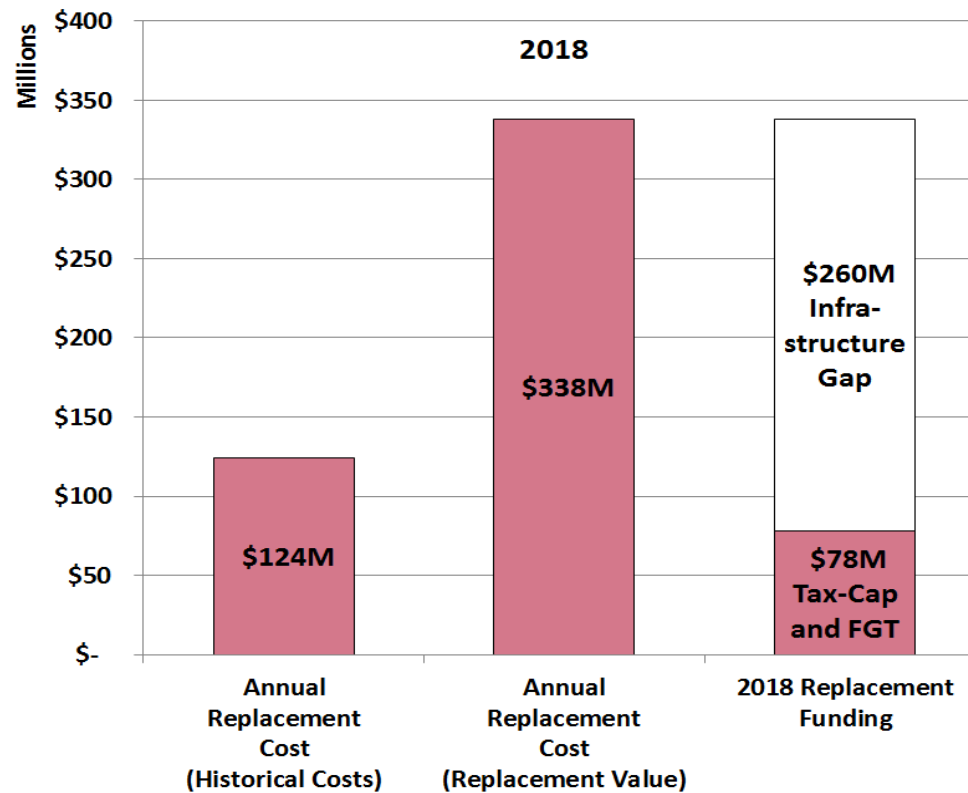


Source: Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) 2017

How is Infrastructure Funded?

- City of Mississauga owns **\$8.9 billion** worth of infrastructure assets
- Funding sources: **property taxes**, gas tax, development charges (DCs), reserve funds
- Cost containment strategies: using technology to enhance and improve services, Lean initiatives and training, managing the lifecycle repairs for our assets
- **ISSUES:**
 - **Legislated balanced budgets**
 - **Limitations on raising additional revenue**
 - **Need for new revenue tools to fund infrastructure**

Infrastructure Gap



Grant Programs

- Provincial and federal grant programs have supported the building of numerous capital projects in the past decade – **thank you!**
- The City of Mississauga has been a willing, flexible and solid partner in these grant programs – multiple projects completed on-time and on-budget
- **ISSUES:**
 - **Funding timing, rules and amounts are unknown**
 - **An allocation vs. a project based model**
 - **Incrementality**
 - **Delays in reimbursement**

Public Transit Infrastructure Fund (PTIF)

- PTIF Phases 1 & 2 underway
- Grateful for flow of funds - invested in transit and other active transportation initiatives
- The deadlines for PTIF 1 have been extended, but too late to really influence the decisions around which projects to fund and the procurement processes
- We need clear rules & long-term predictable funding

Community Facilities are Essential to Healthy Lifestyles

11 community centres
263 playgrounds
18 libraries
20 fire stations
18 pools
362 sports fields
480 kms. trails & paths



Our Challenges

- **Aging Infrastructure**
- **Utilization Trends**
- **Population Growth and Urbanization**

Library Space and Collections

There is a new and different role for the Library, and the spaces the Library offers, in part influenced by technology and intensification.



Supporting Library Services in this shift requires investment in infrastructure.

Climate Change

As Mississauga continues to build out, the City also needs to care for changes in our environment, such as:

- Climate Change
- Stormwater

Funding and Partners Needed: the City of Mississauga needs predictable, long term, and sustainable funding to increase the City's resilience and the capacity to respond to future climate events.

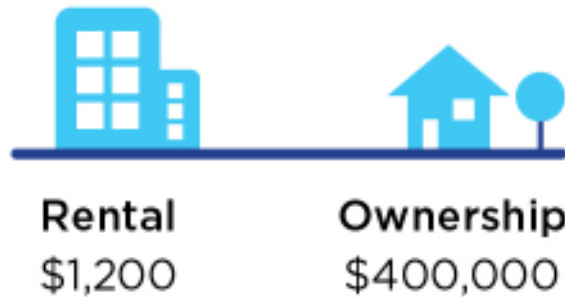
Infrastructure Questions for Political Parties and Local Candidates

- Do you and your party commit to developing long-term, predictable, and sustainable funding programs from the provincial government to specifically fund the building and maintenance of municipal infrastructure?

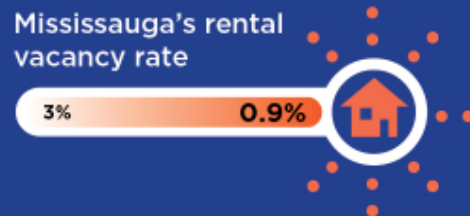
Affordable Housing

Housing Affordability in Mississauga

Affordable price threshold



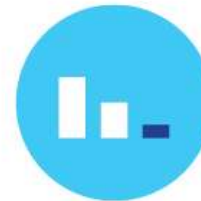
Mississauga's rental vacancy rate



The current rental vacancy rate in Mississauga is **0.9%**, 3% represents a healthy market.



What do all the Numbers Mean?



Lack of
Appropriate
Supply



Increased
Cost



New
Policies


\$55k
\$100k

**Middle income
households**

typically earn between
\$55,000 and \$100,000
a year



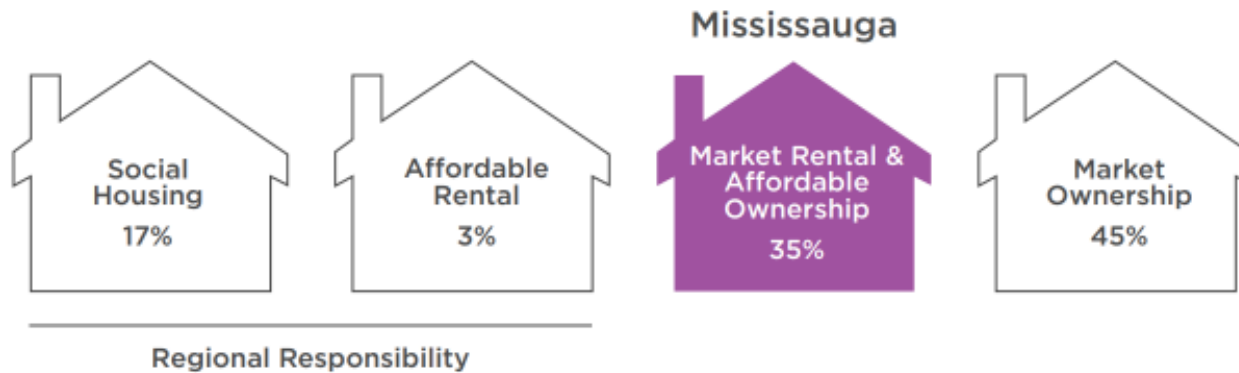
**Middle income
earners**

include nurses, teachers,
social workers and other
service workers

Making Room for the Middle: Mississauga's Housing Strategy



Mississauga's Housing Strategy



What We Have Done So Far?

- Raised awareness
- Housing First Policy
- Rental Housing Protection By-law
- Section 37 benefits
- DC grant to build rental units in the Downtown Core
- Inclusionary Zoning implementation

What we Need from the Province - Legislative Changes and Funding



- Enduring and sustainable funding programs that realize developer timeframes and financial need



- Provide affordable home ownership assistance to individuals



- Expand municipal revenue tools



- Consider taxation policies that incent affordable housing



- Explore tax credits and exemptions for affordable housing



- Provide standardized local housing data and consistent methodologies to measure housing affordability

Affordable Housing Questions for Political Parties and Local Candidates

- Do you and your party commit to working with the City of Mississauga to provide us with the tools and funding necessary to ensure an adequate supply of affordable, middle-class housing?

Legislative Changes

‘The Local Share’ (AMO, 2017)

- Research on the financial situation of Ontario municipalities



- Concluded:
 - municipalities are underfunded resulting in an annual municipal infrastructure gap of **\$4.9 billion**
 - to close the gap there needs to be consistent, predictable and increased provincial (and federal) funding or an increase of property taxes on average 8% annually for the next 10 years.

The Provincial Government must take action to help municipalities close this gap.

We Cannot Afford to Go Backwards

- Concern that, in an effort to find efficiencies at the province, parties will download costs onto municipalities
- This happened in the 1990s and has taken 10 years to reverse (but still not completely)
- Since 2008, \$2 billion worth of costs have been uploaded from municipal books back to the province, where they belong
- Any attempt to download these costs or others back to municipalities will be faced with great resistance and will result in significant property tax increases for all residents

Revenue Tools

- In 2017, the provincial government provided for the hotel tax which the City is implementing now.
- We need the revenue tools that the City of Toronto has – specifically the Land Transfer Tax.
- Municipalities need greater autonomy to raise revenues other than property tax.

Without new revenue tools we are missing an opportunity to generate funds to invest in infrastructure and services.

Legislation Requiring Changes

- **Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILTs)**
 - GTAA PILTs
 - Heads and Beds
- **Joint and Several Liability**
- **Interest Arbitration**

Legislative Changes Questions for Political Parties and Local Candidates

- Do you and your party commit to working with the City of Mississauga and other municipalities on a new funding framework for municipalities, including new revenue tools and greater autonomy?

Our Message to Voters

Get engaged, informed, and most importantly don't forget to vote on June 7, 2018. When you do, take the time to vote for a candidate who understands why transit, infrastructure and middle-income housing matters to Mississauga.

You can also get involved in the conversation online by tweeting or mentioning your local candidate using the **#MississaugaMatters** or visiting **MississaugaMatters.org**

Our Message to Candidates

Mississauga Matters!!!

The priorities of our residents are the priorities of our City and must be the priorities of the next provincial government. To continue to grow and prosper, Mississauga needs a committed provincial partner.

Mississauga: a place where people choose to be



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