



## **Chris Fonseca Biography**

Chris Fonseca was elected in October 2010 as Councillor for Ward 3 in Mississauga and as a Regional Councillor for the Region of Peel. She previously ran her own successful business in the Health and Wellness sector and has also worked extensively with not-for-profit organizations that understand the importance of responsible fiscal planning and management.

In her first term on council, Chris has continued to support city and regional public policies and initiatives that focus on safe, healthy, active environments for children and youth in a variety of ways. As the council representative on the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee she has lead a “ward ride” initiative that gets families out riding on Mississauga trails, in parks, and throughout the many neighborhoods, and is an enthusiastic promoter of the City of Mississauga Swim to Survive Program. She has also supported a number of active transportation and healthy living initiatives that include involvement of youth through her role on the Healthy Peel By Design Consultative Committee and the Peel Newcomer Strategy Group including walk to school, and healthy cafeteria programs lead by students.

As a member of the Mississauga Sport Plan and Pan/Para Pan American Games Steering Committees, Chris has looked for opportunities to connect various local sport groups, cultural, community and accessibility groups together with the city to promote lifelong active living through sport and the Pan/Para Pan Am Legacy program.

She is passionate about connecting people who share a commitment to healthy communities for kids and has spent the last five years participating in youth leadership and healthy living for youth at Transform Nation Summer Day camps run in the Dixie Bloor area, and is currently working to launch a local Dixie Bloor program of “Start to Finish” a very successful National reading and running program for Grade 4 and 5.

Chris sits on various City and Regional Committees as well as the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee, LAC Board of Directors, Mississauga Symphony Board and various FCM Boards.

Chris lives in Ward 3 with her family. She enjoys running and walking on the many trails in Mississauga and takes her sons cycling and playing in the parks in their neighbourhood.