



**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF PEEL  
GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

**AGENDA**

**GRC - 2/2018**

**DATE:** Thursday, June 21, 2018

**TIME:** 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

**LOCATION:** Regional Council Chamber, 5th Floor  
Regional Administrative Headquarters  
10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A  
Brampton, Ontario

**MEMBERS:** D. Cook; B. Crombie; F. Dale; G. Gibson; J. Innis; L. Jeffrey;  
M. Medeiros; G. Miles; K. Ras; A. Thompson

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*Chaired by Councillor J. Innis or Vice-Chair Councillor K. Ras*

1. **DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**
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3. **DELEGATIONS**
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5. **GOVERNMENT RELATIONS UPDATE (Oral)** (For information)  
Discussion led by Sonia Mistry, Specialist, External Relations, Strategic Public Policy and External Relations
6. **COMMUNICATIONS**
7. **IN CAMERA MATTERS**
8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

**9. NEXT MEETING**

To be determined.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

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DATE: June 8, 2018

REPORT TITLE: **2018 ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO (AMO)  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

FROM: Mary Killeavy, Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the advocacy approach described in the report of the Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services, titled "2018 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Annual Conference," be endorsed.**

### **REPORT HIGHLIGHTS**

- The 2018 AMO Conference will take place August 19 – 22 in Ottawa.
- This year's conference may provide the first major opportunity following the provincial election for Regional Councillors to meet with Ministers, Parliamentary Assistants, opposition party leaders and senior provincial staff.
- Regional staff will request delegations with provincial ministers with the goal of advancing Regional Council's advocacy priorities.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **1. Background**

The AMO Annual Conference (Conference) will take place August 19 - 22, 2018 in Ottawa.

Over the past several years, the AMO Annual Conference has included keynote addresses by provincial party leaders and cabinet ministers. Previous Conferences have also included a Ministers' Forum where cabinet ministers answered questions from Conference participants. Another traditional feature of the Conference has been the opportunity for municipal delegations to meet with ministry representatives, including ministers and senior staff, and opposition party leaders.

If opportunities for ministerial delegations are available, staff will lead the coordination and development of briefing materials to support discussions with relevant ministries.

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**2. Ministerial Delegations**

As in previous years, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs has notified municipalities of the ministerial delegation meeting request deadline and that not all requests will be accepted. This year's deadline is Tuesday July 3, 2018. These meetings usually last approximately 15 minutes.

Delegation meetings provide Regional Councillors and staff with opportunities to:

- Develop and/or strengthen relationships with Ministers, Parliamentary Assistants, opposition party leaders and their staff;
- Discuss important Regional Council advocacy initiatives with the provincial government and opposition party leaders;
- Promote the Region as an innovative and trusted partner to advance key provincial initiatives.

**3. Ministry Requests**

If this year's AMO Annual Conference provides opportunities to meet with municipal delegations, these meetings will focus on the continued advancement of Regional Council's prioritized advocacy positions, the majority of which align to Term of Council Priorities.

Staff recommends delegation requests be made to the below list of Ministries/Ministers.

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Ministry	Minister	Issues to be Discussed
Community & Social Services		<p><b>Ontario Works Service Integration</b> Adopt an integrated Ontario Works service delivery model (Families First).</p>
Environment & Climate Change		<p><b>Cap &amp; Trade Program</b> Continue with the Cap and Trade program to support meeting Regional and Provincial greenhouse gas reduction targets, or if it is replaced, implement a program that maintains some key elements of the current system, including sustained mitigation funding with proven benefits to the local economy.</p> <p><b>Sustainable Adaptation Funding</b> Provide sustainable adaptation funding to realize significant cost savings from risk avoidance and in a manner that leverages and advances existing capacity and expertise at the municipal level.</p> <p><b>Blue Box Program Transition</b> Continue with the transition of the Blue Box Program to full producer responsibility.</p>
Health & Long-Term Care		<p><b>Mental Health Service Funding &amp; Integration</b> Increase funding and system integration for mental health and addictions services (A delegation request may also be submitted to the Minister of Children and Youth Services).</p> <p><b>Supports for Seniors</b> Increase funding for seniors' supports including home &amp; community care, dementia supports in long-term care and the Seniors Health and Wellness Village at Peel Manor (a delegation request may also be submitted to the Minister of Seniors Affairs).</p>

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Ministry	Minister	Issues to be Discussed
Housing & Poverty Reduction		<p><b>Affordable Housing Funding</b> Provide municipalities with long-term, sustainable capital and operational funding and greater flexibility to manage centralized waiting lists.</p> <p><b>Ontario Works Service Integration</b> Adopt an integrated Ontario Works service delivery model (Families First).</p>
Municipal Affairs		<p><b>Health &amp; Built Environment</b> Include in the performance indicator framework for the Growth Plan factors that measure the health-promoting elements of the built environment.</p> <p><b>Municipal Comprehensive Review Process</b> Allow flexibility in the Municipal Comprehensive Review process for a staged implementation of Official Plan Amendments undertaken in a manner that will continue to allow for an integrated approach to planning for complete communities.</p>
Transportation		<p><b>GTA West Corridor</b> Complete the GTA West Corridor environmental assessment process and move forward with a highway.</p>
Infrastructure		<p><b>Municipal Infrastructure Funding</b> Provide predictable and sustainable funding for municipal Infrastructure.</p>
Education		<p><b>Child Care Funding</b> Provide Service System Managers with continued discretion to flow child care funding to for-profit providers, to meet the unique needs of the community.</p>

The Region is usually notified by Ministers' offices whether the delegation request has been accepted approximately one to two weeks prior the start of the AMO Conference. This may change with the new provincial government. If the opportunities exist, the Region will also work with local municipal partners to seek joint delegations where appropriate.

If meetings with Ministers are confirmed for this year's Conference, a briefing session will be scheduled in advance of the Conference for those Regional Councillors participating in the

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delegation meetings. Staff will attempt to equalize participation among Council attendees based on areas of interest and local municipality.

**4. Additional Initiatives**

Additional advocacy opportunities that will be pursued as part of the Region's process to prepare for the AMO's Annual Conference include:

- The Regional Chair sending a congratulatory letter to the successful Party Leader on behalf of Regional Council, which will outline the Region's advocacy priorities
- Hosting a meeting with all Peel-area Ministers/MPPs attending the Conference to discuss Peel-specific issues;
- Requesting individual delegation meetings with leaders of the opposition parties.

**CONCLUSION**

The Region of Peel has traditionally been an active participant in all aspects of the AMO Conference. The 2018 AMO Conference is particularly important as this may be the first major opportunity following the provincial election that Regional Councillors have to advance Regional priorities and build relationships with Ministers, Parliamentary Assistants, opposition party leaders and their staff.

Following the Conference, staff and the Chair of the Government Relations Committee will provide the Committee with an update on Conference activities and future opportunities to advance Regional priorities.



Mary Killeavy, Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services

**Approved for Submission:**



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D. Szwarc, Chief Administrative Officer

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*Authored By: Sonia Mistry, Specialist, Strategic Public Policy and External Relations*

**For Information**

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DATE: May 29, 2018

REPORT TITLE: **GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE SUMMARY REPORT 2015-2018**

FROM: Mary Killeavy, Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services

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**OBJECTIVE**

To provide a summary of the work of the Government Relations Committee from 2015 to 2018.

**REPORT HIGHLIGHTS**

- The Government Relations Committee has a mandate to lead the Region of Peel's advocacy efforts and build relationships with officials from other orders of government.
- The Committee met 10 times between 2015 and 2018 and received five delegations from provincial and federal government representatives.
- Committee members advanced advocacy priorities at delegation meetings held at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario annual conferences and through various other forums.
- In several cases, Peel's advocacy efforts, combined with those of the municipal sector, have been successful in bringing about positive change in areas of priority.

**DISCUSSION****1. Background**

The Government Relations Committee (GRC) was established by Regional Council on January 15, 2015. The mandate of the GRC is to develop, coordinate, implement and monitor government relations strategies, based on Regional Council endorsed advocacy positions, with representatives from the provincial and federal governments and other stakeholders as appropriate.

The GRC has worked to fulfill this mandate by pursuing various advocacy initiatives to advance Regional priorities and by engaging with both provincial and federal elected officials.

**2. Government Relations Committee Meetings**

The GRC met 10 times between 2015 and 2018. These meetings included 5 delegations from provincial and federal government representatives (titles reflect positions held at the time of the respective delegation):

- Harinder Malhi, Member of Provincial Parliament, Brampton-Springdale (Sep 3, 2015);



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- Omar Alghabra, Member of Parliament, Mississauga Centre (Mar 3, 2016);
- Bob Delaney, Member of Provincial Parliament, Mississauga-Streetsville (Nov 10, 2016);
- Ruby Sahota, Member of Parliament, Brampton North (Mar 2, 2017); and
- Sylvia Jones, Member of Provincial Parliament, Dufferin-Caledon, Infrastructure Critic and Deputy Leader, Ontario PC Party (Jun 15, 2017).

Delegations provided GRC members the opportunity to engage elected officials in discussions about provincial and federal government initiatives and shared priorities.

### 3. Association of Municipality of Ontario (AMO) Annual Conferences

Over the last three years, members of the GRC played a leading role in delegation meetings at the annual AMO conferences. These meetings provide an important advocacy opportunity as GRC members are able to discuss Regional priorities in-person with Cabinet Ministers, ministry staff and opposition parties.

At the 2017 AMO Conference, GRC members met with the following officials:

- Minister of Community and Social Services
- Minister of Environment and Climate Change
- Minister of Housing / Minister Responsible for the Poverty Reduction Strategy
- Minister of Infrastructure
- Minister of Municipal Affairs
- Minister of Transportation
- Ontario NDP Caucus
- Ontario PC Caucus

Members of the GRC will also be leading delegations at the 2018 AMO Conference. For more information, please see the report of the Commissioner of Corporate Services titled “2018 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Annual Conference”.

### 4. Strategic Initiatives

The GRC led various initiatives aimed at engaging other orders of government and advancing Peel’s advocacy priorities.

#### a) 2015 Federal Election Strategy

In 2015, the GRC carried out a federal election strategy that focused on affordable housing, immigration, water and wastewater capacity, goods movement and transportation infrastructure. The Strategy included sending out information packages to federal candidates and raising public awareness through both traditional and social media.

#### b) Alignment of Advocacy Priorities to Region of Peel’s Strategic Plan

In 2016, the GRC approved a new approach to Peel’s advocacy work that brought greater alignment of advocacy priorities to Peel’s Strategic Plan and Term of Council Priorities.

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**c) 2018 Provincial Election Strategy**

The GRC implemented a strategy leading up to the provincial election on June 7, 2018. The strategy focused on the need for greater support from the provincial government to build and maintain local infrastructure. The Strategy included hosting a Peel MPP Candidate Forum and delivering a social media campaign.

**d) MP/MPP Advocacy Updates**

These newsletters draw attention to Peel's advocacy priorities and related initiatives. They are sent from the GRC to local Members of Provincial Parliament and Members of Parliament. In total, eight Advocacy Updates were sent out between 2015 and 2018.

**5. Progress on Advocacy Positions**

There was positive progress on several advocacy priorities over the last three years. The following are a few examples.

**a) Affordable Housing**

The federal government has answered the call of the Region of Peel and other municipalities to develop a National Housing Strategy. It has also increased its commitment by providing additional funding.

**b) Transportation and Goods Movement**

The provincial government agreed to partner with the City of Mississauga and the Region of Peel to build a full interchange at Courtney Park Drive and Highway 410.

**c) Waste Management**

The provincial government responded to advocacy from Peel and the municipal sector to shift the cost of the Blue Box program to producers by passing the *Waste-Free Ontario Act, 2016* and implementing the *Strategy for a Waste-Free Ontario: Building the Circular Economy*.

**d) Environment and Climate Change**

The Region of Peel has called for an increase in funding for transit infrastructure to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Through Phase 2 of the *Investing in Canada Plan*, the provincial and federal governments are taking action by providing up to \$15.1 billion in funding for public transit.

**e) Provincial Ambulance Dispatch Reform**

Provincial Ambulance Dispatch Reform – After years of advocating for reform, the province has committed to implementing a new triage tool at the Mississauga Central Ambulance Communication Centre.

Appendix I provides further information on the Region of Peel's advocacy priorities.

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**CONCLUSION**

Regional staff will continue to work under the leadership of the Government Relations Committee and Regional Council to develop and implement government relations strategies. These strategies will aim to raise awareness among key stakeholders of Peel's advocacy priorities and to strengthen relationships with officials from other orders of government and relevant stakeholders.



Mary Killeavy, Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services

**Approved for Submission:**



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D. Szwarc, Chief Administrative Officer

**APPENDICES**

1. Appendix I - Update on Region of Peel Advocacy Priorities

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## Appendix I - Update on Region of Peel Advocacy Priorities

ADVOCACY POSITION	PROGRESS & RECENT ACTIVITY	POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES
<p><b>1. Families First</b> Implement changes to the Ontario works service delivery model to one that provides more integrated health, recreation and employment supports for single-support families, similar to Peel's Families First program.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regional staff met with Minister Responsible for the Poverty Reduction Strategy to discuss Families First program (Jan 2017).</li> <li>• This issue was included in the Region of Peel 2017 provincial pre-budget submission (Jan 2017).</li> <li>• Families First discussed with Minister of Community and Social Services and Minister Responsible for the Poverty Reduction Strategy at the 2017 AMO Conference (Aug 2017).</li> <li>• An evaluation of the Families First program is being conducted by Regional staff to identify health-related benefits to clients (2018–2020). The results of this evaluation may help to strengthen the business case for the province to pilot a Families First model for Ontario Works.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A request will be submitted for a delegation meeting with the appropriate minister(s) at the 2018 AMO Conference (Aug 2018).</li> <li>• It is proposed the Region of Peel host a breakfast for Peel MPPs at the 2018 AMO Conference to inform them of Peel's advocacy priorities (Aug 2018).</li> <li>• Continue work on the evaluation of the Families First to identify health-related benefits (Ongoing).</li> </ul>
<p><b>2. Funding for Affordable Housing</b> Provide long-term, sustainable capital and operational funding for affordable housing, including the current housing stock, new rental development and housing subsidies.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This issue was also discussed in the Region of Peel's 2018 provincial and federal pre-budget submissions (Jan 2018). These were shared with Peel MPPs and MPs respectively.</li> <li>• Regional Chair Frank Dale emphasized this issue in his delegation at the pre-budget consultation hosted by the Ontario Finance Minister (Feb 2018).</li> <li>• The province signed a bilateral agreement with the federal government to invest \$4.2 billion in Ontario under the National Housing Strategy (Apr 2018).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A request will be submitted for a delegation meeting with the appropriate minister(s) at the 2018 AMO Conference (Aug 2018).</li> <li>• It is proposed the Region of Peel host a breakfast for Peel MPPs at the 2018 AMO Conference to inform them of Peel's advocacy priorities (Aug 2018).</li> <li>• Continue engagement with other orders of government regarding the National Housing Strategy and the modernization of the housing system (Ongoing).</li> </ul>

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<p><b>3. Transition of the Blue Box Program</b>            -Ensure the Blue Box transition happens as soon possible and earlier than the current 2022 timeframe.            -Give municipalities and the new Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority an active role in the process to prepare the amendment to the Blue Box Program</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Minister of the Environment and Climate Change committed to amending the Blue Box Program Plan (Aug 2017).</li> <li>• The province consulted on a draft amendment and the Region of Peel submitted comments (Jan 2018). The proposed amended plan fails to satisfy various requirements set out by the Minister of Environment and Climate Change.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A request will be submitted for a delegation meeting with the appropriate minister at the 2018 AMO Conference (Aug 2018).</li> <li>• It is proposed the Region of Peel host a breakfast for Peel MPPs at the 2018 AMO Conference to inform them of Peel's advocacy priorities (Aug 2018).</li> <li>• Continue to monitor developments regarding the amended Blue Box Program Plan (Ongoing).</li> </ul>
<p><b>4. GTA West Corridor</b>            Complete the GTA West Corridor environmental assessment and select a preferred route alternative so that the Region of Peel can move forward with its comprehensive planning in those areas impacted by the GTA West study area.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This issue was raised with the Minister of Transportation at the 2017 AMO Conference (Aug 2017) and again at the 2018 OGRA Conference (Feb 2018).</li> <li>• This issue was also highlighted in the Region of Peel's 2018 provincial pre-budget submission (Jan 2018).</li> <li>• Regional Chair Frank Dale emphasized this issue in his delegation at the pre-budget consultation hosted by the Ontario Finance Minister (Feb 2018).</li> <li>• The Ontario PC Party committed to restart the environmental assessment process on the GTA West Corridor (Apr 2018).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A request will be submitted for a delegation meeting with the appropriate minister at the 2018 AMO Conference (Aug 2018).</li> <li>• It is proposed the Region of Peel host a breakfast for Peel MPPs at the 2018 AMO Conference to inform them of Peel's advocacy priorities (Aug 2018).</li> <li>• Continue to monitor development of work on the Northwest GTA Corridor and engage with the province where possible (Ongoing).</li> </ul>
<p><b>5. Full Interchange at Courtneypark Dr and Hwy 410</b>            Move forward with a partnership and memorandum of understanding with the Region, City of Mississauga and MTO to cost-share the full interchange at Courtneypark and Highway 410.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This issue was raised with the Minister of Transportation at the OGRA Conference (Feb 2017). This meeting led to subsequent conversations with ministry staff.</li> <li>• In Spring 2017, the Ministry of Transportation confirmed its intention to build a full-moves interchange in a cost-shared arrangement with the province, the City of Mississauga and the Region of Peel.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to work with the province to ensure the project is completed (Ongoing).</li> </ul>

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<p><b>6. Environment and Climate Change</b> Increase funding for transit infrastructure to contribute to reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This issue was included in the Region of Peel's 2017 provincial and federal pre-budget submissions (Jan 2017). These were shared with Peel MPs and MPPs respectively.</li> <li>In January 2017, the province announced its intention to increase spending on transit by doubling the share of the provincial gas tax from two cents per litre to four cents by 2021 (starting in 2019).</li> <li>Through Phase 2 of the <i>Investing in Canada Plan</i> the federal and provincial governments will be providing up to \$15.1 billion in funding for public transit.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The focus of advocacy related to climate change has now shifted to continuing the cap and trade system, or if it is replaced, preserving elements of the current system, and the need for adaptation funding.</li> </ul>
<p><b>7. Healthy and Age-Friendly Built Environment</b> Implement a performance indicator framework for the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe that measures the health-promoting elements of the built environment.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This issue was raised with the Minister of Municipal Affairs at the 2017 AMO Conference (Aug 2017).</li> <li>The need to invest in infrastructure that promotes improved public health outcomes was highlighted in the Region of Peel's 2018 provincial pre-budget submission (Jan 2018) and in Peel's provincial election priorities (Apr 2018).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A request will be submitted for a delegation meeting with the appropriate minister at the 2018 AMO Conference (Aug 2018).</li> <li>It is proposed the Region of Peel host a breakfast for Peel MPPs at the 2018 AMO Conference to inform them of Peel's advocacy priorities (Aug 2018).</li> </ul>
<p><b>8. Provincial Ambulance Dispatch System Reform</b> That the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care, in recognition of next steps with emergency health service system modernization, prioritize the evidence-informed improvements to the ambulance dispatch system over implementing amendments to the Ambulance Act by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Immediately moving forward with implementation of the new triage tool in all dispatch centres, starting with the Mississauga Central Ambulance Communication Centre, as an urgent priority; and</li> <li>Proceeding with additional technology and business process improvements in dispatch centres as outlined in the 2015 report of the Provincial Municipal Land Ambulance Dispatch Working Group.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Letter to the Minister of Health and Long Term Care requesting a joint meeting with Halton to discuss next steps with moving dispatch reform forward (March 2018).</li> <li>In April 2018, the Ministry indicated that a vendor agreement had been signed and staff were being brought on to oversee implementation (Apr 2018).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continued monitoring of positive progress and engagement with Ministry staff to ensure Regional insights inform current and future dispatch improvements including: implementation of the new triage tool, access to real-time data and accountability agreements with CACC (Ongoing).</li> <li>Consistent engagement with Ministry staff on implementation of the new triage tool will provide additional opportunities to advance other dispatch reform issues (access to real time data, accountability) through partnership and staff relationships (through Spring 2018).</li> <li>Should a new provincial government come into power in June 2018, staff will need to ensure dispatch reform continues to move forward (Summer 2018).</li> <li>A report will be brought forward to Regional Council on June 28, 2018.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>9. Mental Health and Addictions Funding</b> The provincial government should address historical inequities in funding for mental health and addictions services in Peel to support improved access to services within the community and ensure that funding matches community needs and reflects demographic changes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting with MOHLTC staff to discuss progress related to mental health funding (Fall 2017).</li> <li>• Mental health and addictions underfunding and needs-based allocation across the lifespan was highlighted in the Region's pre-budget submission to the province (January 2018).</li> <li>• The 2018 provincial budget included a \$2.1 B investment over 4 years in mental health and addictions services and a commitment to implementing the new funding model for child and youth services which will have positive impacts in Peel (Mar 2018).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A request will be submitted for a delegation meeting with the appropriate minister at the 2018 AMO Conference (Aug 2018).</li> <li>• It is proposed the Region of Peel host a breakfast for Peel MPPs at the 2018 AMO Conference to inform them of Peel's advocacy priorities (Aug 2018).</li> <li>• Mental health and addictions has emerged as a key provincial election issue, and ongoing conversations at the provincial level may present opportunities for further advocacy (Spring 2018).</li> <li>• Follow up with the MOHLTC, encouraging the province to move forward with a needs-based funding model for mental health services across the lifespan (Spring/Summer 2018).</li> </ul>
<p><b>10. Mental Health System Integration</b> The provincial government should integrate mental health system planning and service delivery to ensure seamless access to services across the entire age continuum (children to seniors) and work across ministries on the basic social needs required for mental health promotion and recovery, such as housing.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff are working to support linkages between the Peel Children's Centre and the Central West and Mississauga Halton LHINs, and encourage alignment of service planning efforts (Ongoing).</li> <li>• Meeting with the Chief Executive Officer of Peel Children's Centre to identify opportunities to leverage his provincial role in sector reform to support alignment of children and youth mental health planning with the adult mental health sector (Jun 2017).</li> <li>• Meeting with MOHLTC staff to discuss progress with system integration, or insights into the provincial focus for the next phase of the Provincial strategy (Fall 2017).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A request will be submitted for a delegation meeting with the appropriate minister at the 2018 AMO Conference (Aug 2018).</li> <li>• It is proposed the Region of Peel host a breakfast for Peel MPPs at the 2018 AMO Conference to inform them of Peel's advocacy priorities (Aug 2018).</li> <li>• Mental health and addictions has emerged as a key provincial election issue, and ongoing conversations at the provincial level may present opportunities for further advocacy (Spring 2018).</li> <li>• Continue to support mental health system planning locally and identify opportunities for coordinated planning with other system partners at a regional level (Ongoing).</li> <li>• Identify opportunities to encourage the integration of mental health services with other supports across the lifespan, such as supportive housing, and ensure that the needs of seniors are adequately integrated with adult services (Ongoing).</li> </ul>

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<p><b>11. Peel Manor Funding</b> That the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care partner with the Region of Peel to fiscally support the Peel Manor redevelopment into a Seniors Health and Wellness Village comprised of a long-term care home, expanded Adult Day Service and a seniors' hub to help older adults age in place for as long as possible.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visit from the Premier at Peel Manor, with the opportunity to send a letter directly to the Premier's office regarding Peel Manor's funding needs (Oct 2017).</li> <li>• Follow up letter from the Premier directing the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care to respond to Peel's request (Oct 2017).</li> <li>• Seniors Health and Wellness Village at Peel Manor was highlighted at the Region's breakfast for MPP candidates, where Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin Caledon offered to bring the issue forward in the legislature (Mar 2018).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Follow up letter to Minister of Health and Long-Term Care about partnership and funding opportunities in response to the Premier's direction (Winter 2018).</li> <li>• Continued relationship building and exploration of other partnership and funding opportunities with provincial staff and CW LHIN staff (ongoing).</li> </ul>





# Government Relations Update

**Government Relations Committee  
June 21, 2018**

Sonia Mistry  
Specialist, External Relations  
Region of Peel

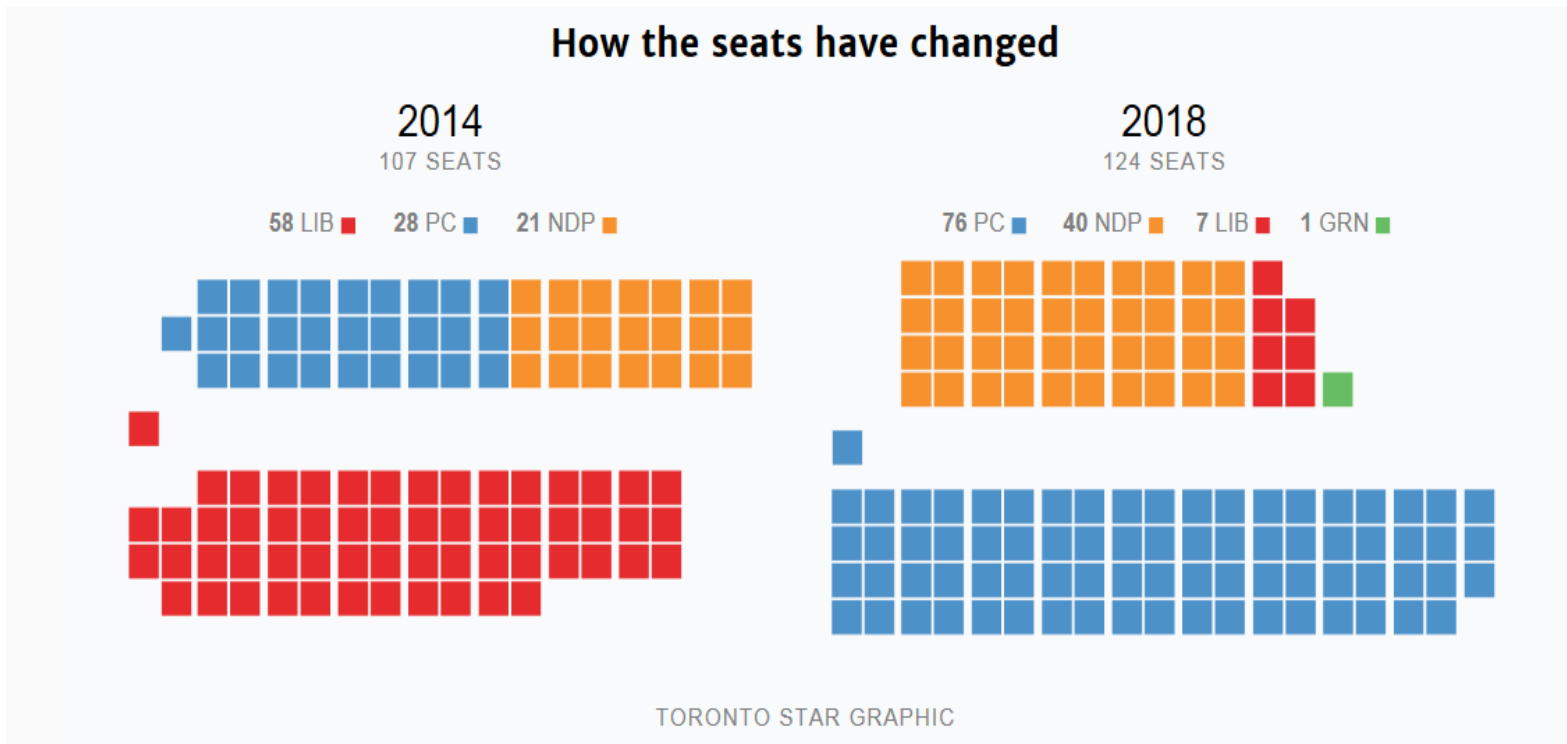


## Overview

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# Provincial Election Results:



## Provincial Election Results: Peel Results

Municipality	Ontario PC Party	Ontario NDP
Brampton	2 seats	3 seats
Caledon	1 seat	–
Mississauga	6 seats	–
Total	9 seats	3 seats

## Provincial Election Results: (Brampton/Caledon)



**Sara Singh**  
Brampton Centre  
NDP



**Gurratan Singh**  
Brampton East  
NDP



**Kevin Yarde**  
Brampton North  
NDP



**Prabmeet Sarkaria**  
Brampton South  
PC



**Amarjot Singh Sandhu**  
Brampton West  
PC



**Sylvia Jones**  
Dufferin-Caledon  
PC

## Provincial Election Results: (Mississauga)



**Natalia Kusendova**  
Mississauga Centre  
PC



**Kaled Rasheed**  
Mississauga East—Cooksville  
PC



**Sheref Sabawy**  
Mississauga—Erin Mills  
PC



**Rudy Cuzzetto**  
Mississauga—Lakeshore  
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**Deepak Anand**  
Mississauga—Malton  
PC



**Nina Tangri**  
Mississauga—Streetsville  
PC

## Implications for Peel

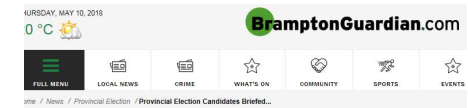
- Nine out of the 12 Peel MPPs are members of the majority governing party (Ontario PC Party)
- Alignment of Ontario PC Party Platform  
Commitments with the Region's positions include:
  - Low-income Seniors Dental
  - GTA West Corridor
  - Mental Health & Addictions



# Provincial Election Strategy

## Peel MPP Candidate Forum – April 3, 2018

- 12 MPP candidates present
- 3 media outlets registered
- 3 articles published
  - Brampton Guardian
  - Peel Daily News (2)
- 20 unique mentions on Twitter



### Provincial election candidates briefed on region's infrastructure needs

Apr 04, 2018 by Roger Belgrace Brampton Guardian



My latest column for Peel Daily News - Co-Funding of Municipal Infrastructure may be THE most important issue of this Provincial Election. (Photo - Myself - right - with Nikki Clarke, NDP candidate for Mississauga-Malton.) #BuildPeel



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#### Opinion

### Candidates take the stage as election looms

Frank Dale  
Peel Region  
Chairman



In addition to the change in means, as in the Region of Peel, full elections are being held through a year that could bring with it significant differences – and with that, opportunity.

Notably, Ontario will experience two elections in quick succession, every eligible voter with an opportunity to participate and determine the leadership of the province and its municipalities, as well as the direction of the respective jurisdictions will take.

Regarding the provincial election this June, it is an opportunity to serve as a political analyst, other than to say that a general election is always competitive, and as we have seen in other recent campaigns that in any event, we can help

ask. Candidates took time to ask questions of the assembled party candidates regarding the specific issue of infrastructure. In turn, the candidates were requested to provide responses to those questions and highlight whatever perspective they observed relevant.

It will come as no surprise that the questions posed focused on the critical priorities of the Region, which was highlighted at the beginning of the session by Peel Region's Chief Administrative Officer.

Specifically, the issues that weigh the heaviest at Peel are described in one word: Infrastructure. You had heard about the previous year when I spoke at the infrastructure – priorities being: Social, Green, and Transportation.

Regarding the candidates' responses and positions, that is something that will

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Again, my objective is not to influence your decisions, other than to encourage you to reflect that this office and office holder, will be significant as Peel Region moves forward and its residents look to strong advocates in these changing times when critical and



# Provincial Election Strategy

## Social Media Campaign

- A unique hashtag - #BuildPeel – was used
- Several tweets were posted from May 18 to June 7
- Tweets included embedded videos, Twitter cards



## Post-Election Activity

- Memo circulated outlining provincial election results across the Region of Peel
- Congratulatory letters sent to elected Peel MPPs
- Congratulatory letters outlining Region of Peel priorities to be sent to new cabinet members

# Federal Government Update

- Bill C-45, the Cannabis Act
  - On June 19, 2018 the Senate passed Bill C-45
  - The Bill comes into effect on the date set by the government
- National Approach to Marine Litter Management
  - Federal Consultation
  - FCM Resolution



## Looking Forward

- **2018 AMO Annual Conference**
  - Ottawa, August 19 – 22, 2018
  - Delegation requests deadline – July 3, 2018
  - AMO is in communication with the new government to confirm participation in this year's conference

Questions?

