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City of Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown appoints Members of City Council to committee leadership roles for the 2026-2030 Term of Council

New leadership appointments and strategic direction strengthen accountability, collaboration and delivery of the City's mandate for Brampton's Big Build

BRAMPTON, ON (November 26, 2026) – Today, Mayor Patrick Brown appointed Chairs and Vice-Chairs to committees for the 2026-2030 Term of Council, establishing clear leadership responsibilities and priorities to advance City services, infrastructure, economic development and community well-being. Mayor Brown made these appointments under section 284.8 of Ontario's *Municipal Act, 2001*, which gives the head of council the authority to establish or dissolve committees, appoint their chairs and vice-chairs, and assign their functions.

Effective today, the following appointments have been made:

Audit Committee
- **Chair**: City Councillor Taran Chahal
- **Vice-Chair**: Regional Councillor Dennis Keenan

Community Services
- **Chair**: Regional Councillor Michael Palleschi
- **Vice-Chair:** Regional Councillor Rod Power

Economic Development
- **Chair**: Regional Councillor Martin Medeiros
- **Vice-Chair**: Regional Councillor Sukhman Sangha

Legislative Services
- **Chair:** City Councillor Taran Chahal
- **Vice-Chair:** Regional Councillor Rowena Santos

Transit and Mobility
- **Chair:** Regional Councillor Sukhman Sangha
- **Vice-Chair**: Regional Councillor Paul Vicente

Citizen Appointments Committee
- **Chair:** Regional Councillor Navjit Kaur Brar
- **Vice-Chair**: Deputy Mayor & City Councillor Harkirat Singh

Corporate Support Services
- **Chair**: Regional Councillor Paul Vicente
- **Vice-Chair:** City Councillor Taran Chahal

Planning and Development Committee
- **Chair:** Deputy Mayor & City Councillor Harkirat Singh
- **Vice-Chair**: Regional Councillor Navjit Kaur Brar

Public Works and Engineering
- **Chair:** Regional Councillor Rowena Santos
- **Vice-Chair**: Regional Councillor Michael Palleschi

Governance & Council Operations Committee
- **Chair**: Regional Councillor Rod Power
- **Vice-Chair**: Regional Councillor Martin Medeiros

Chairs and Vice-Chairs play an important role in guiding discussions, supporting informed decision-making and advancing recommendations for Council's consideration. These appointments help keep a steady focus on City services and the priorities of Brampton residents. Outstanding vacancies on Council subcommittees, advisory committees and other bodies will be filled through the standard Council appointment process.

The City will launch the Brampton Defence, AI and Cybersecurity Coalition, co-chaired by Deputy Mayor and City Councillor Harkirat Singh and Dr. Roberta Iannacito-Provenzano, Provost and Vice-President, Academic, at Toronto Metropolitan University and its incoming President and Vice-Chancellor. Terms of Reference will be developed to set out the Coalition's mandate to position Brampton as a leading hub for Canadian defence and cybersecurity innovation.

Mayor Brown will also create a Mayor's Panel on the Arts, co-chaired by Regional Councillor Rowena Santos and Carmen Spada, Co-founder and Artistic Director of B-Jazzed, a Brampton-based jazz non-profit. Spada also created and programs Brampton's World of Jazz Festival and is Musical Director of the B-Jazzed Orchestra. The Panel's Terms of Reference will set out its mandate to strengthen and grow Brampton's arts and culture sector.

In the coming weeks, Mayor Brown will issue mandate letters to each Chair and Vice-Chair, setting out key priorities, responsibilities and expected outcomes. This direction will help guide committee discussions, support collaboration across City departments and advance initiatives that deliver meaningful results for Brampton residents.

For more information about Brampton City Council committees, visit brampton.ca/committeeofcouncil.

Quote

“Congratulations to our newly appointed Committee of Council Chairs and Vice-Chairs. Strong leadership and good governance are essential to delivering on the priorities that matter most to Brampton residents. I am confident in this team's ability to work together, strengthen City services and deliver on our mandate for Brampton's Big Build. We have an important four years ahead, and I look forward to getting to work with this team to advance key investments, deliver results and build a stronger future for Brampton.”

- *Patrick Brown, Mayor, City of Brampton*

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