

# Mayor Meed Ward's Weekly Public Update



*This update contains key events, media engagements and communications taking place in the Office of the Mayor for the week ahead and a recap of key activities that took place in the prior week. While not representative of the Mayor's full schedule, this update is meant to provide a high-level overview for public awareness. Dates & details for future items are subject to change as needed.*

**November 14 – 20, 2022**

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## High Level News

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- **Ontario's doctors are urging people to wear mask indoors ahead of 'perfect storm' in pediatric health system** – [CBC News article](#)
  - Ontarians are being advised to keep up with vaccinations and wear masks indoors as doctors warn of a worsening respiratory illness season that's hitting children – and the pediatric health system – particularly hard.
  - Physicians at a news conference recently hosted by the Ontario Medical Association said that influenza arrived early in Ontario and more than half of Canadian cases of the flu so far have been in children and teenagers.
  - The early arrival of the flu, a resurgence in respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) and the continued spread of COVID-19 has made for a "triple threat" respiratory season.

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## Prior Week Overview of Community Feedback/Mayor's Inbox:

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- **Updates on City Projects**
  - The Mayor's Office continues to receive inquiries regarding the progress of various projects across the city, such as construction, developments, road work, broadband Internet installation, etc. Individuals who have reached out are being directed to a City webpage, respective to their issue. If there isn't a City webpage or there are questions not answered on the page, City staff are looped in to assist.

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## Monday November 14

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- Advocacy to MPPs on Bill 23 – Date TBC
- Grade 5 Classroom Visit at St. Paul Catholic Elementary School
- Review of City's Customer Relations Management System with Staff
- Constituent Meeting
- Staff HR Update

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## Tuesday November 15

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- 1:1 with City Manager
- Inaugural Meeting of 2022-2026 Burlington City Council at Burlington Performing Arts Centre with special guest speakers, entertainment and snacks (Doors open at 5:30 p.m.; Event start at 6:30 p.m.; followed by light reception) – open to the public, reserve your free tickets to attend at [burlingtonpac.ca](http://burlingtonpac.ca) – [LINK](#) for more event details – [LINK](#) to meeting agenda

- Halton Region's Proposed Vacant Homes Tax Virtual Public Information Session (6:30-7:30 p.m.) – [Join session via Zoom](#) – Meeting ID: 967 2338 5130 – [LINK](#) for more details

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### Wednesday November 16

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- Red Tape Red Carpet Feedback Session with Burlington Economic Development
- 1:1 with Waterloo Mayor-Elect Dorothy McCabe
- Conservation Halton Compensation Committee Meeting
- *YourTV Halton News* Mayor's Weekly Update
- Mayor's Office Team Meeting
- Meeting Millcroft Against Bad Development Community Group
- Burlington Lands Partnership (BLP) Monthly Touch Base Meeting
- Burlington Chamber of Commerce & Hamilton Chamber of Commerce Business After 5 Co-Event – [LINK](#) to event details

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### Thursday November 17

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- *Burlington Post* Mayor's Guest Column Runs in Print Edition – [LINK](#) to online version
- Burlington Economic Development Board Meeting
- Conservation Halton Board of Directors Meeting
- Constituent Meeting
- Update regarding 3100 Mainway

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### Friday November 18

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- Burlington Fine Arts Association's Annual Juried Exhibit 'The Artist's Mark 2022' at The Hub – Burlington Centre, 777 Guelph Line (7 p.m.) – [LINK](#) to exhibit details
- Joseph Brant Hospital Foundation's J-Soirée 2022 Fundraiser

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### Saturday Nov. 19 / Sunday Nov. 20

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- **Saturday, Nov. 19**
  - Aldershot Village BIA's Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Event at Downsview Plaza, 355 Plains Rd. E. (3-6 p.m. / Tree-Lighting at 6 p.m.) – [LINK](#) to event details
- **Sunday, Nov. 20**
  - Indigenous Community Consultation on Truth and Reconciliation Event with Local Indigenous Leaders in Partnership with Burlington MP, the Hon. Karina Gould at the Burlington Public Library, Central Branch, Centennial Room, 2331 New St. (3-5 p.m.) – [LINK](#) to RSVP and event details
  - NOTE: Transgender Day of Remembrance

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### Coming Up Soon

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- Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Committee of the Whole Meeting – Nov. 24
- AMO Board of Directors Meeting – Nov. 25
- First Committee & Council Cycle of Meetings for 2022-2026 Term Begins – Week of Dec. 5