

Public Notice

Halton Region 2015 Budget and Business Plan

The proposed 2015 Budget and Business Plan for Halton Region, including the Regional property tax levy, water and wastewater rates, user fees and charges will be considered at the following meetings:

Tuesday, January 13 – 9:30 a.m.	Health & Social Services Cmte.
Wednesday, January 14 – 9:30 a.m.	Planning & Public Works Cmte.
Thursday, January 15 – 10:00 a.m.	Administration & Finance Cmte.
Monday, January 26 – 9:30 a.m.	Budget Review Cmte.
Wednesday, January 28 – 9:30 a.m.	Regional Council

All of the above meetings will be held at the Halton Regional Centre located at 1151 Bronte Road in Oakville.

The 2015 Budget and Business Plan is available for viewing or downloading on Halton's website at Halton.ca/budget and can be obtained free of charge or viewed at the Office of the Regional Clerk at the Halton Regional Centre, Monday to Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Halton residents are invited to provide input on the proposed 2015 Budget and Business Plan. If you wish to register as a delegate to address one of the Committees noted above, please contact the Office of the Regional Clerk and Council Services at 905-825-6000 ext. 7405. You may also provide input or comments on Halton's website at Halton.ca/budget.

Get Involved, Share Your Ideas

Halton Regional Council is currently inviting applications from members of the community to fill positions on the following agencies, boards and committees:

- **Halton Region Accessibility Advisory Committee**
- **Halton Waste Management Site Advisory Committee**
- **Joint Municipal Regional Waste Management Advisory Committee**
- **Royal Botanical Gardens Board of Directors**
- **Greater Toronto Airports Authority Board of Directors***

These citizen appointments give Halton residents from a variety of backgrounds the opportunity to contribute their skills and perspectives to enhance the quality of life in our community. This appointment term expires on November 30, 2018.*

Regional Council wishes to ensure that its boards and committees reflect the diverse nature of its community and invites all residents of Halton to consider these opportunities. An Interview Committee of Regional Council will recommend qualified candidates for these positions to Regional Council.

Details of these opportunities and application forms are available on our website Halton.ca/advisorycommittees, by email to regionalclerk@halton.ca, or from the Office of the Regional Clerk, Halton Region, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, during business hours from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Completed applications must be received at the Office of the Regional Clerk no later than **Friday, January 23, 2015** at 4:30 p.m. Completed forms may be submitted online, by mail or by fax to 905-825-8838.

Karyn Bennett
Regional Clerk

**The term for the Greater Toronto Airports Authority Board of Directors begins in May 2015 and expires in May 2018.*

Halton Region Small Business Centre

Upcoming Business Seminars and Programs

Starting a Small Business Seminar:

A general overview of the things you will need to consider when starting a small business, along with resources to help you succeed. Covers structure, registrations, regulations, licences, taxes and financing options.

Wednesday, January 14
Burlington Central Library
6:30 – 8:30 p.m. • \$25/person

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Wednesday, February 11
Milton Public Library – Main Library
6:30 – 8:30 p.m. • \$25/person

Marketing – Research and Cost Effective

Ideas: Identify why and how conducting market research can impact your business success and learn some cost effective ideas to market your business.

Wednesday, February 25
Burlington Central Library
6:30 – 8:30 p.m. • \$25/person

Getting Started Information Session:

A one-hour overview of all the rules and regulations you need to know if you are starting a business in Halton. Staff will guide you through a checklist for starting a new business. The sessions are casual, informative small groups of five or less.

Every Tuesday
Halton Regional Centre,
Small Business Centre
9 – 10 a.m.
Free (advance registration is required)

Starter Company Program – General

Information Session: Are you between 18 and 29 and want to start a new business, buy a business or expand a current business? Starter Company can help by providing training and business skills development, mentorship and guidance from local business professionals and where eligible, a micro-grant of up to \$5,000. Learn how to become your own boss today!

1st and 3rd Tuesday each month
in 2015
Halton Regional Centre,
Small Business Centre
10 – 11 a.m.
Free (advance registration is required)

Futurpreneur Canada - General

Information Session: Come learn about the Futurpreneur Canada financing program, including the application process and evaluation and eligibility criteria. If you're a young entrepreneur between 18 and 39, looking to start your own full-time small business, you could get up to \$15,000 in financing from Futurpreneur Canada. Start your future today!

1st and 3rd Tuesday each month
in 2015
Halton Regional Centre,
Small Business Centre
11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
(advance registration is required)

Registration and pre-payment for all seminars is required as seating is limited. For more information on these events including registration details, please contact Halton Region.

Get connected at www.haltonsmallbusiness.ca.

Strategic Action Plan 2015 – 2018: Shaping Halton's future for the next four years

Every four years, in consultation with stakeholders, Halton Regional Council develops a plan that sets out its priorities and establishes its strategic direction. Our draft Strategic Action Plan provides a starting point for discussion. As a Halton resident, your input is valuable and we invite you to provide your comments. Working together, we will shape Halton's future for the next four years and continue to make Halton a great place to live. Learn more at Halton.ca/actionplan.



Gary Carr
Regional Chair

Halton Regional Meeting Schedule

Meetings can be viewed at Halton.ca/meetings

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