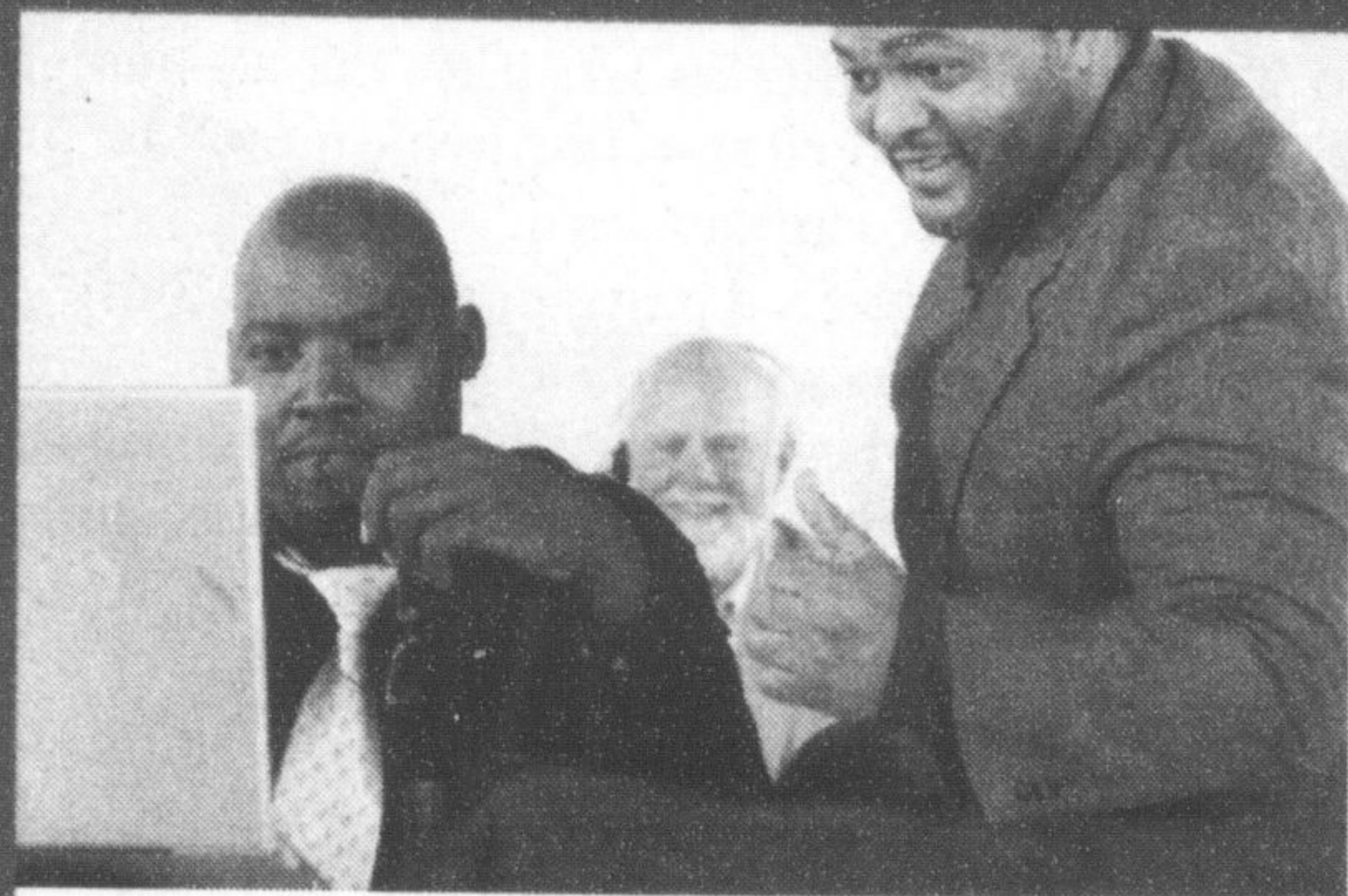




The Regional Municipality of Halton



The Future of Economic Development in Halton

Halton has launched its Comprehensive Economic Development Study to guide the Region's economic development into the future. The Study will help us sustain a prosperous and balanced economy.

Come out, learn about the study, get your questions answered and make your opinions count!

Date: Thursday, March 9, 2006

When: Drop in session at 6:30 p.m.
Presentation starts at 7:00 p.m., followed by questions and answers

Where: Halton Regional Administration Centre,
1151 Bronte Road, Oakville
South Auditorium

Business Development Centre

We want your business to succeed. The following programs and services are available to help your business.

Youth Opportunities

- Business Plan Competition
- Summer Company

Exporting

- Seminars
- Business Consultant
- Networking Alliance

Start-up

- Seminars
- Business Consultants
- Business Registration
- Resource Library
- Public Use Computers

Business Retention, Expansion and Site Location

- Seminars
- Mentorship Program
- Site Location Assistance
- Workforce Development
- Regional Innovation Networks

Upcoming Seminars/Workshops Include:

Starting a Small Business Information Seminars: Mon., March 6 (afternoon session) and Wed., March 22 (evening session).

Up & Running BizLaunch Program: Just 10 evenings (6:30 – 9:30 p.m.) will help you to build your dream business. The next program starts Tues., March 7.

Building a Marketing System Workshop: Learn how to build a marketing system that will relentlessly generate revenues for your business on Wed., March 22.

Summer Company: Provides hands-on business training and mentoring, along with awards of up to \$3,000, to help students aged 15 to 29 start and run their own business. Deadline for applications: April 10, 2006.

Business Plan Competition: Win up to \$1,000 for writing a business plan! Open to all secondary school students. Deadline for submissions from schools: June 2, 2006.

Halton Region - McMaster University Learning Series: A learning opportunity for senior executives. Mark your calendars for lunch on April 27, May 18 and June 7. Topics will be research and innovation, intellectual property and university – industry partnerships.

Contact us for more information on these events and how to register.

Residents encouraged to complete online survey



Chairman
Joyce Savoline

Last week we held the last of our four open houses on the draft 2006-2010 Solid Waste Management Strategy. We also have an online survey available for residents who may not have been able to attend the public forums.

Halton Region, in co-operation with the citizen advisory Joint Municipal/Regional Waste Management Committee has updated the 1999 Strategy in order to identify initiatives to extend the life of our landfill, propose waste diversion activities for the next five years, as well as options for managing our waste beyond 2010. The success of the strategy will be dependent on your participation, so it is important that we hear your thoughts.

To view the draft 2006-2010 Solid Waste Management Strategy and complete the online survey before March 17, please go to our website at www.halton.ca.

Halton Regional Meeting Schedule:

March 21	9:30 a.m. -	Health & Social Services Committee
March 22	9:30 a.m. -	Planning & Public Works Committee
March 22	1:30 p.m. -	Administration & Finance Committee

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Penman acclaimed 2006 Conservation Halton chair

Ward 1 Councillor Brian Penman will once again hold the head seat on the Conservation Halton (CH) board.

The local politician was acclaimed as the 2006 chair at CH's 50th inaugural meeting last week.

Penman has served as a director of CH for 26 years, including the last 10 as chair.

"I am honoured to be selected as chair of Conservation Halton," said Penman. "This is a challenging time for our organization and there needs to be a balance between our environmental mandate and the tremendous growth pressures that our municipalities are currently facing."

John Vice — the citizen appointee from Burlington — was acclaimed as vice-chair. He's been a director of the board for two years and recently served



Brian Penman

as chair of the financial review committee.

Bob Inglis, representing Halton Hills, was selected as chair of the conservation areas/community relations advisory committee, while Allan Elgar of Oakville

was chosen as chair of the resource planning and watershed management advisory committee.

These committees, along with the executive committee and the general board of directors, help guide CH's environmental programs.

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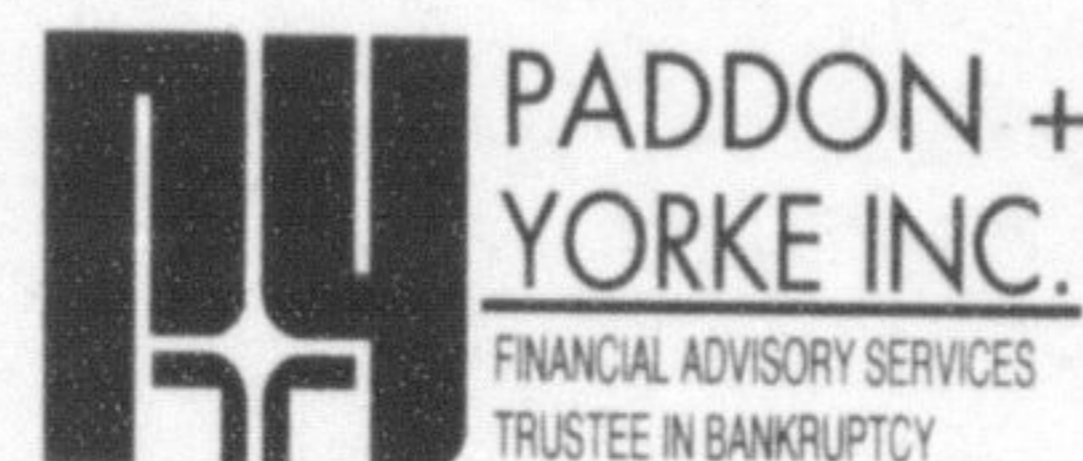
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