



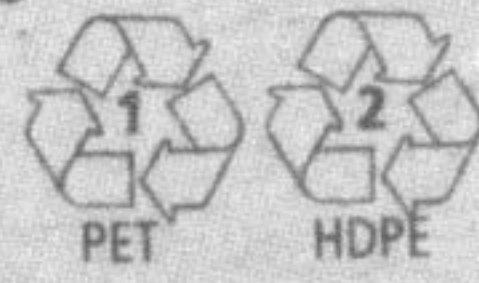
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More Blue & Green During the Holidays



Items for Blue Box

- Cardboard boxes
- Fine paper & envelopes
- Newspaper
- Boxed beverage containers
- Plastic bottles
- Aluminum food & pop cans



Items for GreenCart

- Turkey, ham & meat, including bones
- Challah bread
- Gingerbread
- Latkes, fruits and vegetables
- Paper napkins
- Paper plates and cups

Items for Garbage

- Clear moulded plastic packaging
- Plastic film
- Bubble wrap
- Plastic plates and cups
- Wrapping paper
- Bows & ribbons

Christmas Trees: Christmas tree collection occurs in January (urban areas only). Check your Waste Management Calendar or www.halton.ca/waste for exact dates. Remove all tinsel, lights, decorations and plastic bags before collection. Ensure trees do not become stuck or frozen in snow banks.

More Blue & Green for a Better Planet

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Budget to go to council for final approval Monday

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another 22 per cent.

Councillors spent most of Tuesday night going over this section carefully, with Ward 4 representative Paul Scherer in particular probing staff about budget increases and looking for softness in the numbers that might allow a reduction.

In the end though, the \$25 million tax levy was approved pretty much as proposed minus about \$48,000 in cuts.

The capital budget on the other hand was slashed by about \$2.5 million after councillors voted to cut out of the budget a proposed pedestrian bridge going over the CP rail tracks south of Main Street between Thompson Road and James Snow Parkway. Though many councillors support the walkway in principle, the cost was considered too high.

The capital budget isn't directly funded by property taxes. Instead, it gets more than half of its revenue from development charges, as well as grants and subsidies, usage of reserve funds and debt.

Highlights of the \$36.5 million capital budget for 2009 include:

- Milton Sports Centre expansion — \$5,899,903
- Design for new rinks, possible pool, and community facilities
- Community park detailed development — \$5,326,348
- First phase of construction including site

servicing, grading, soccer fields, ball fields, parking, and trails

- Central Fire Station replacement — \$3,589,451

Reconstruction on existing Steeles Avenue site

- Main Street (Bronte Street to Tremaine Road) \$1,907,891

Design and environmental assessment to realign Main Street

- Lower Base Line \$1,678,997

Reconstruction from Fifth Line to Sixth Line; design work from Fourth Line to Regional Road 25 and bridge replacement

- Civic Operations Centre — \$1,458,675

Design of new Operations Centre (moved from Nipissing Road to Regional Road 25 south of Britannia Road) and construction of sand/salt domes

- Milton Memorial Arena facility improvements — \$1,203,094

Major redevelopment including new ice surface

- Conservation Plan implementation — \$1,073,289

Repairs and improvements to the roof of the existing historic Town Hall and to Hugh Foster Hall.

Town council will look to pass the budget at its meeting Monday at 7:30 p.m.

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An Invitation to Attend a Community Sustainability Forum with Ken Melamed, Mayor of Whistler, B.C.

Whistler's Action for Community Building and Global Change

Mayor Melamed will speak about Whistler's success with Community Sustainability Planning

Thursday, January 8, 2009

Halton Regional Centre Auditorium
1151 Bronte Road, Oakville

- 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Poster session showcasing various "green" initiatives throughout Halton Region
- 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Ken Melamed, Mayor of Whistler B.C., speaks about his municipality's inspiring model and shared vision down a long journey to a sustainable future
- 8:30 - 9:00 p.m. Questions and Answers with Ken Melamed

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