

# Public Works & Engineering Road Maintenance Operations & Fleet

Wednesday, June 24, 2020

The City of Brampton takes COVID-19 seriously and continues to follow the advice of Peel Public Health. The City has made significant changes to services and programming to help protect the health and wellbeing of our community.

## Are City parking lots and garages open?

Beginning Thursday, June 25, 2020 the downtown Brampton parking garages will reopen for public use. Due to the ongoing concerns with COVID-19, please continue physical distancing practices where possible when using the garages or parking lots. Wear masks, especially when physical distancing practices cannot be met.

Parking will remain complimentary at this time.

## Why are we doing this?

With the Provincial government permitting Peel Region to move to Stage 2 of reopening, it is expected that the demand for parking in the downtown core will continue to increase as more businesses reopen. The garages are being reopened to ensure the demand for parking is met and to avoid illegal parking that poses a health and safety risk to motorists, cyclists and pedestrians.

Due to COVID -19, continue physical distancing practices where possible when using the garage or parking lot. Please wear masks, especially when physical distancing practices cannot be met.

# How can I social/physical distance myself when using a parking garage?

The City encourages all who utilizing the parking facilities to continue physical distancing practices when using the garages or parking lots. Having members of the public park in the garage structures, it forces vehicles to park door to door, which can lead to people being in closer proximity of one another. To minimize the number of garage user interactions, strategic parking stalls have been marked off to limit the capacity of vehicles in the garages. The City recommends that residents avoid parking directly next to other vehicles where possible and avoid getting in and/or out of vehicles until a distance of 2 meters (6.5 feet) from other users can be achieved. Please wear masks, especially when physical distancing practices cannot be met.

### I need to attend a location in downtown Brampton, where can I park?

The City encourages you to park at one of the open parking facilities or on the street. The City will not be charging for approved parking locations. Enforcement Officers will not ticket street-parked vehicles unless it is a safety issue or a vehicle is interfering with normal traffic flow. All City owned and operated parking facilities in the downtown are now open for use.

### I pay for a parking pass, can I get a refund since I cannot use the garages?

This is currently under review. When a decision is made, it will be communicated to all pass holders.

The Corporation of the City of Brampton