



Hamilton

# NEW COUNCIL ORIENTATION

## Opening Remarks

November 8, 2022

# Land Acknowledgement

The City of Hamilton is situated upon the traditional territories of the **Erie, Neutral, Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississaugas**.

This land is covered by the **Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant**, which was an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabek to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes.

We further acknowledge that this land is covered by the **Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792**, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

Today, the City of Hamilton is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (North America) and we recognize that we must do more to learn about the rich history of this land so that we can better understand our roles as **residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers**.

# New Council Orientation

- Phased approach
- Begin with next two orientation days
  - Meeting Departmental Leadership Teams
  - Council and Committee structure overview
  - Key legislation, policies, and processes
  - Council-elect ward-by-ward briefings
- Upcoming Workshops
  - Conflict of Interest/Code of Conduct
  - Joint Stewardship Agreement
  - Statutory Standard of Care – Safe Drinking Water Act
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario New Councillor Training

# Today's Agenda

- 9:00 – 12:00 **Departmental Councillor Meetings**  
Rooms 2013, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2036
- 12:00 – 1:00 **Lunch**
- 1:00 – 2:00 **Governance: Role of Council**  
Keynote Address from Professor David Siegal, Brock University
- 2:00 – 2:30 **Council Procedures**  
Andrea Holland, City Clerk
- 2:30 – 3:00 **Break**
- 3:00 – 3:30 **Legislative Landscape and Council Obligations**  
Lisa Shields, City Solicitor
- 3:30 – 4:00 **Council-Staff Relationship Policy**  
Janette Smith, City Manager
- 4:00 – 4:30 **1-1 HR and IT support**  
Room 2030, 2010 and 2011 respectively

# Council-Elect Introductions

# Organizational Overview

