

CAMERON
KROETSCH
City Councillor



WARD 2



Ward 2 Neighbourhood Town Hall - Durand

City Hall - Council Chambers
November 30, 2023 - 6:30pm

Agenda for the Ward 2 Town Hall

- Land acknowledgement and introductions
- Councillor's role and responsibilities
- Ward 2 issues and highlights
- Durand issues and highlights
- 2022-23 Impact Report
- Questions and answers

Land Acknowledgement

- Huron-Wendat, Neutral, Erie, Mississaugas
- Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe
- Haldimand Tract
- Dish with One Spoon
Wampum Belt



Introductions to the Ward 2 Team

- Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
- Constituency Coordinators -
 - Hasnain Khan - full time
 - Liesl Thomas - full time
 - Joey McCullough - part time



Town Hall Code of Conduct

- Questions at end of each section and at **the end**
- Raise your hand - we'll keep a speakers list
- Kindness and generosity first - no yelling, name calling, or rudeness - we'll adjourn the meeting
- Interrupt if you need clarity or help

Harm reduction principles

- Everything we do in the Ward 2 office is centred around the principles of harm reduction -
 - **Reducing harm** for those most impacted
 - Avoiding practices that could **increase harm**
 - Building systems focused on **support and care**

Ward 2 profile and information

- Population - 37,080 people - around 20,000 voters
- Density - almost 20,000 households
- Size - 1,293 ac, 523 ha, 5.23 km²
- Tax contributions - 76.6% renters and 23.4% owners
- Number of businesses in BIAs - 700+

Questions about
the Ward 2 profile
and information?

Councillor's role and responsibilities

- How the Ward 2 Team works + ticket system = connections
- Ward 2 Hamilton website - ward2hamilton.ca
 - City Notices
 - Development and Traffic Safety Maps
 - Motions - being updated in 2024
 - Newsletter - ward2hamilton.substack.com

Councillor's role and responsibilities

- Citywide **budget** deliberations
- **Strategic** decision-making
- 1/16 of the **vote** around the Council table
- **Consulted** on operational matters in Ward 2
- Responsible for stewarding **Ward 2 funding**

Councillor's role and responsibilities

- **Committee participation** - 42 active Standing Committees, Sub-Committees, and Boards
- 19 are **mandatory** - not including Ward 2 staples like the Hamilton Waterfront Trust, Art Gallery of Hamilton, and Hamilton Farmers' Market

Councillor's role and responsibilities

- Currently the Chair of 2 Boards, 1 Advisory Committee, and 1 Standing Committee -
 - Audit, Finance and Administration Committee
 - Community Benefits Protocol Advisory Committee
 - Hamilton Farmers' Market Board of Directors
 - Hamilton Waterfront Trust Board of Trustees

Councillor's role and responsibilities

- Currently the Vice Chair of 3 Sub-Committees -
 - Accessible Transit Services (ATS) Review Sub-Committee
 - Governance Review Sub-Committee
 - Grants Sub-Committee

Councillor's role and responsibilities

- Funding for affordable housing - HSIR, CHH
- Restructuring Board of Health governance
- HPSB and HPL Board surpluses
- Open streets for local and citywide festivals
- Hamilton Waterfront Trust review

Councillor's role and responsibilities

- Adequate temperature bylaw
- Renovictions bylaw
- Increased service levels for litter collection
- Indigenous led Discovery Centre process
- Policies to protect urban forest canopy

Councillor's role and responsibilities

- If you experience **neighbourhood crime issues**, contact Ward 2 Crime Managers directly -
 - Sergeants Alex Buck and Cory Gurman
 - ABuck@hamiltonpolice.ca
 - CGurman@hamiltonpolice.ca

Councillor's role and responsibilities

- I represent Ward 2 but I also represent every Hamiltonian across the city as a member of Council
- I have to balance my responsibilities to individuals and communities
- I can't represent every resident on every issue

Questions about
my role or
responsibilities?

Ward 2 issues and highlights

- Two way conversion of Main Street + others
- New encampment protocol
- Hamilton Parks Master Plan
- Pedestrian and cycling safety
- Light Rail Transit
- Garbage cans, litter service levels, underpass cleanups

Ward 2 issues and highlights

- Area Rating Reserve + other funds
- \$5,324,142 in 2022 > **\$6,440,450** currently + future years at ~\$1.5m
- Community grants program > **\$175,000**
- Successful grants - Central, Corktown, and North End Neighbourhood Associations, Central Presbyterian Church, gritLIT Literary Festival, Hamilton Community Peregrine Project, Sexual Assault Centre Hamilton and Area (SACHA), Supercrawl Productions

Ward 2 issues and highlights

Fund Name	December 1, 2022	Current Balance
2016-2023 Minor Maintenance Council Priority Project - 4031911602, 4032311602	\$956,262.00	\$549,221.95
Annual Sidewalk Maintenance - 4032311224, 55916-427200	\$78,000.00	\$0.00
Area Rating Discretionary - 3302109200, 3302309200	\$214,587.00	\$74,883.19
Area Rating Reserve - 108052	\$3,645,436.00	\$5,411,457.73
Cellular Tower Rental - Wind Mobile - 28 York Boulevard - 3301609602	\$39,010.00	\$14,040.38
Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) - 4032111102*	\$3,485.38	\$3,485.38
Elgin Transformer - Parking Lot Rental - Hydro One - 3301809602	\$133,513.41	\$133,513.41
Inner City Fund**	\$13,848.00	\$0.00
Road Surface Treatment Reserve	\$240,000.00	\$240,000.00
TOTAL	\$5,324,141.79	\$6,426,602.04

Questions about
Ward 2 issues and
highlights?

Durand issues and highlights

- MacNab Street Tunnel
- MacNab Street South lighting
- Heritage concerns - mle@hamilton.ca
- Encampments - unsheltered@hamilton.ca
- Tree removals - Private tree bylaw in 2024

Durand issues and highlights

- Television City construction - Development map
- Traffic and pedestrian safety - Sidewalk repairs
- James Street Baptist Church development
- Renaming of the former St. Mark's church
- Scout House and the HATS pilot

Questions about
Durand issues and
highlights?

2022-23 Impact Report

- Released in early December
- Will detail stats from the recently released 2021 Census data
- Neighbourhood Profiles
- Impact of the work I've done in year 1

2022-23 Impact Report



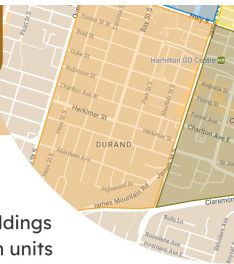
- **By the Numbers** - Ward 2 information that has not been released publicly
- **Neighbourhood Profiles**
- **The Big Picture** - Important actions I've taken as your Councillor (160+ motions)
- **Priorities** - Reporting on the progress I've made on my campaign platform

2022-23 Impact Report

Durand Profile

Facts about Durand

- 1 Neighbourhood Park - Durand Park
- 57% of total apartment buildings
- 1,390 CityHousing Hamilton units
- 4+ active development applications
- Home to most of Ward 2's heritage assets including City Hall and 2 heritage districts



Top Issues in Durand

- Garbage
- Traffic
- Snow + ice
- Housing
- Cycling
- Roads



12,423 people
live in Durand

34%
of Ward 2 residents

Neighbourhood profiles will detail parks, some statistics, and will go over some of the top issues raised by residents -

- Garbage
- Traffic
- Snow + ice
- Housing
- Cycling
- Roads

Questions about
the 2022-23
Impact Report?

Questions and answers

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