

It is time to fight for the survival of the Port Credit Marina

October 21, 2020 - The recent decision by the Provincial Government not to participate in the funding of the Port Credit Marina project is profoundly shocking and disappointing. This proposal had the unanimous support of City Council as an initiative that would benefit all of the City of Mississauga.

The lands in question relate to the breakwater which was previously bestowed to the city and also the lands to the east of the current Port Credit Harbour Marina owned by the Canada Lands Corporation. A thorough proposal was put forward which would have facilitated the marina, a building for the working marina (approximately 150 full-time jobs), the deep-water port, marina slips, 3.4 acres of new waterfront parkland (valued at \$22 million alone), parking and boat storage.

Effectively this would ensure we would “keep the port in Port Credit” as we are in the process of opening up the waterfront to all residents of the Mississauga and ensure we are city building with a bright future ahead. The alternative to this proposal may have this section of the waterfront lined with high rise buildings. This alternative is not acceptable to the residents of the community and would represent a loss of the iconic structure which has huge historic significance for Port Credit and the City of Mississauga.

It is my hope that especially during this time all levels of government see the need of investing in infrastructure that is city building, putting Mississauga on the map as a city that is in part known for its spectacular waterfront with a working and inviting marina, a significant tourist draw that has infinite direct and indirect benefits to the local economy of Port Credit and to the entire City of Mississauga.

Numerous residents have written and have called in supporting the marina and they could not imagine having a community and a city without a marina and a working marina in Port Credit

Especially, at a time during COVID that saw one of the busiest seasons ever on our waterfront. More public facilities are needed not less. Now more than ever it is imperative for a commitment from all levels to maintain and enhance the marina and to “Keep the Port in Port Credit”.

It is time to fight for the survival of keeping the Port in Port Credit !

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