

Waterfront Master Plan Project

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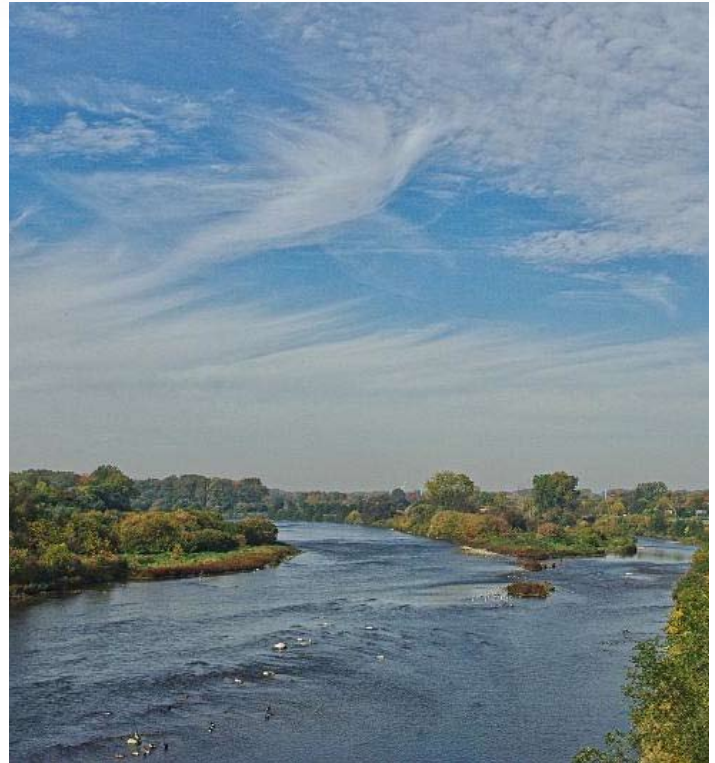
Consulting Team

The City of Brantford has initiated a Waterfront Master Plan for our Grand River shores. They have hired a consulting team lead by The Planning Partnership to help with this exciting project. The Planning Partnership team includes Plan B Natural Heritage, Baird + Associates, TCI Management Consultants and Archaeological Services Inc. The team has the full breadth of experience and skills in waterfront planning, environmental restoration and management, cultural heritage assessment, tourism and economic development and flood plain management.

Waterfront Task Force

The Waterfront Master Plan is being guided by the Waterfront Task Force with input from a Staff Advisory Team and collaboration with the community. The members of the Waterfront Task Force are:

- Mayor Hancock
- Councillor Ceschi-Smith (chair)
- Councillor Kinneman (vice-chair)
- Councillor Carpenter
- Councillor McCreary
- Councillor Sless



The Grand River

Three Phased Work Program

The Master Plan will be formed through an open and collaborative process working with the team throughout the process. There are three phases of the Project and each includes consultation events. Community input is essential for the success of this Project.





Consultation Events

The work to create a Waterfront Master Plan is structured around four key consultation events:

Waterfront Summit, September 16, 2009: Context for the Waterfront Master Plan

Representatives of various interest groups involved in environment, heritage, recreation, sports, arts, culture, business, neighbourhoods, seniors and youth will be invited to participate in conversations with the team to build a common understanding of the environmental, parks/recreation, access, and community context for the master plan. The Waterfront Summit will also include a working session with the Waterfront Task Force and an evening session with the community. All working sessions will include a brief presentation followed by table groups discussions on questions posed by the team. Please contact us if your group or organization would like to be involved.

Workshop #1: Principles and Guiding Frameworks

November 3 to 5, 2009

A multi-day workshop is planned for the team to work with the community to develop the fundamental principles to direct the Waterfront Master Plan and preliminary ideas with respect to guiding frameworks for floodplain management, environmental restoration and management, parks/recreation, heritage, access and community. The workshop will include times for working sessions with various groups, site walks, one-on-one interviews, informal drop in sessions and presentations. A detailed agenda will follow.

Workshop #2: Site Specific Concept Plans

January 12 to 14, 2010

A second multi day workshop is planned to help the team develop ideas for specific sites and conditions in the study area based on a set of Guiding Frameworks that will be developed at workshop #1. This second workshop will also include working sessions with various groups, site walks, one-on-one interviews, informal drop in sessions and presentations. A detailed agenda will be prepared later in the year.

Culminating Community Information Session, Draft Waterfront Master Plan

April 14, 2010

A final Community Information Session will be held to discuss the Draft Waterfront Master Plan. The Information Session will include a presentation, followed by table group discussions on questions that the team has to assist with refining the Draft Waterfront Master Plan.

For More Information

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<http://www.brantford.ca> (look under "Quick Links" for Waterfront Master Plan).
- All information will be posted to the site as it is available.

