



**TO:** Mayor J. Lehman and Members of Council

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**RE:** Climate Change Adaptation Strategy  
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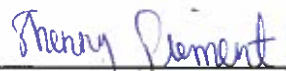
The City has initiated the development of a Climate Change Adaptation Strategy to build community resilience to the risks inherent with climate change. The development of the strategy follows Building Adaptive and Resilient Communities five milestone framework. Currently in Milestone 3 of the framework, the City has developed a draft of the strategy that identifies the potential impacts and risks related to climate change and sets out specific actions to reduce those risks and vulnerabilities.

A public open house has been scheduled on Wednesday, December 7, 2016, at City Hall in the Rotunda from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to allow the public to review and provide comments on the draft strategy. The open house is being conducted at this stage of the project to engage the public early and get their feedback and input on the direction of the strategy. Comments and responses received from this open house will be considered in the development of the final Climate Change Adaptation Strategy.

To advise the public of the open house, a notice of the event will be posted on the City's Climate Change webpage and appear in the December 1, 2016 edition of "This Week in Barrie". The strategy is available on the City of Barrie web page at [www.barrie.ca/Living/Environment/Pages/Climate-Change.aspx](http://www.barrie.ca/Living/Environment/Pages/Climate-Change.aspx).

To ensure City Council has the information at the same time as the public, this memo has been provided with a copy of the notice to appear in this week's edition of "This Week in Barrie", attached as Attachment #1.

If there are any questions, please contact Katie Thompson at extension 4796, or e-mail [Katie.Thompson@barrie.ca](mailto:Katie.Thompson@barrie.ca).

  
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Attachment #1

**Help shape Barrie's Climate Change Adaptation Strategy**  
**Public Open House: December 7**

**Date:** Wednesday, December 7, 2016  
**Time:** 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (drop-in format)  
**Location:** City Hall Rotunda  
70 Collier Street, Barrie ON

The City is developing a Climate Change Adaptation Strategy. The strategy is in draft form and available for public feedback and review at [barrie.ca/ClimateChange](http://barrie.ca/ClimateChange). The goal of the strategy is to identify the potential impacts and risks related to climate change in Barrie and sets out specific actions to reduce those risks and vulnerabilities.

This public open house is your opportunity to:

- Hear an update on the City's draft Climate Change Adaptation Strategy;
- Provide feedback from the community on the overall vision, goals, and principles of the strategy;
- Obtain input on priorities for implementing the proposed actions; and
- Learn about the next steps in the process.

To learn more about the Climate Change Adaptation Strategy, visit [barrie.ca/ClimateChange](http://barrie.ca/ClimateChange).