# Item 6.2 <u>INFORMATION AND</u> RECOMMENDATION REPORT (WARDS 6 AND 9)

I ask That Committee Please Consider the Opportunity Costs

## Background

- Is facing a housing affordability crisis
- Has almost no more greenfield land for development
- Cannot expand the urban boundary
- Must follow provincial land use and housing policies
- Will be taking on significant infrastructure costs beyond Jan 1, 2025, with dissolution of the Region of Peel

#### What We Know:

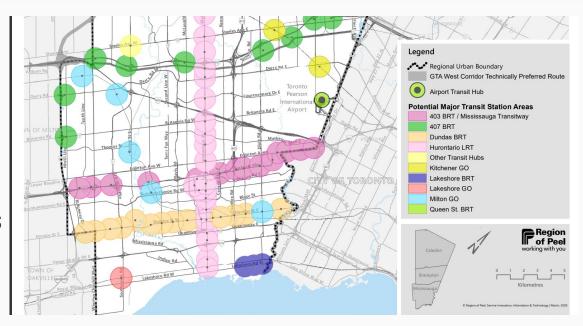
- Needs to build more housing, especially affordable housing
- Has to use existing land (greyfield and brownfield), which may be zoned for employment
- Understands that dense and greyfield (already serviced) land will likely have lower infrastructure and servicing costs
- May direct future development to 60+ Major Transit Station Areas

### We have an advantage other cities dream of

# More than Sixty(!) Major Transit Station Areas

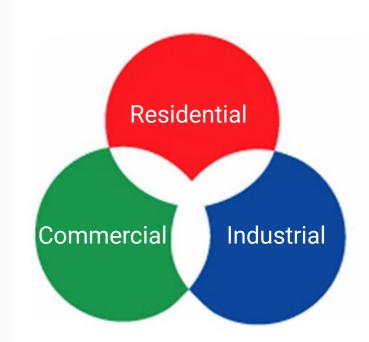
- 19 LRT Stations
- 20 BRT Stations
- 14 Transitway Stations
- 9 GO Stations

...just for now!



### Municipal Comprehensive Review

- Has to protect employment lands
- Has to find the balance of compatibility between commercial, residential and industrial zoning
- Has to adjust for changing economic
   & demographic trends



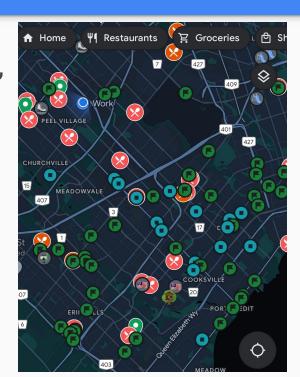
# What Staff Say (MCR Report):

- Needs to protect employment lands
- Doesn't need these sites to meet provincial housing commitment
- Site 1 (Lisgar) residential development on a portion
- Site 2 (Erindale Station-Creditview) residential on west side
- Site 3 (Wolfedale-Mavis) residential to remain prohibited

### Consider what is ahead for Mississauga

Economic trends that promote local businesses, creating vibrant culture and local jobs

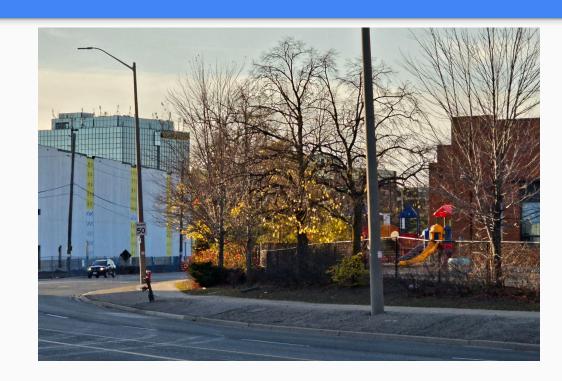
- Work From Home/Remote work
- Mixed-Use Development (TOCs)
- Experiential consumer culture & Influencer-driven marketing
- At right Mississauga restaurant & business recommendations



### Consider what is ahead for Mississauga

Employment trends that discourage local businesses

- Dropshipification of retail + automation
- At right industrial warehouse in a non-ideal site →





32 bays



# Blank walls

# Conclusion: Mississauga has to be more proactive about planning...



...or risk missing opportunities to benefit from these trends

# Action: Please receive the report, thoughtfully

Thank you!

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