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Cambridge Gearing Up for Doors Open Waterloo Region 13 City Locations on the Tour

Cambridge, Ontario. September 15, 2010... Over a dozen Cambridge locations will be featured as part of this year's Doors Open Waterloo Region heritage tour slated for Saturday, September 18th. The complimentary heritage and architectural open house offers the public an opportunity to visit over 40 sites throughout the region. Most sites are open between 10:00 am - 5:00 pm.

Themed 'Made in Waterloo Region', more information may be found online at www.region.waterloo.on.ca/doorsopen, by emailing doorsopen@region.waterloo.on.ca or by calling (519) 747-5139.

Heritage Planner for the City of Cambridge, Valerie Spring, says that City staff is excited to share the architectural features of our facilities during this special open house. "We are a city known for our heritage and architectural achievements, so it's very fitting to be a partner in this year's event."

For more information on the Cambridge locations, including details about the structures, visit:
http://www.cambridge.ca/planning_services/doors_open_waterloo_region_2010. The City of Cambridge is one of the first municipalities in the province to have a heritage master plan. The final report can be found at:
<http://www.cambridge.ca/relatedDocs/Cambridge%20Heritage%20-%20Carl%20Bray%20-%20FINAL.pdf>.

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About Cambridge

The City of Cambridge is one of the fastest growing areas in the country. It is strategically located astride highway 401 in Southwestern Ontario, part of Canada's Technology Triangle. In 2010, the population reached over 130,000 people. With a multicultural mix and a strong foundation of support services, Cambridge has a diverse economic base with

leading industries in advanced manufacturing, automotive, high technology, pharmaceutical, business and financial services and hospitality/retail. The Corporation of the City of Cambridge is an employer with a progressive work environment that offers the opportunity to provide service to the community through creativity and innovation, and with opportunities for career growth and advancement.

About the Corporation of the City of Cambridge

The Corporation of the City of Cambridge is a dynamic organization filled with dedicated people who deliver vital municipal services to you. Services that residents, businesses, visitors and people like your family and friends enjoy. We're a comprehensive team of professionals: engineers, financial specialists, skilled trades, administrative experts, customer service, communications - and the list goes on.

We're proud to be part of the systems that bring you the array of services that citizens in Cambridge need:

- Parks and recreation
- Activities and programs like pools, seniors' centres, community centres, arenas and other facilities
- Sports programs and all the needs related to playing fields, like indoor soccer, baseball diamonds and other amenities
- Events
- Farmers' Market
- Cemetery services
- Road programs
- Leaf pick up services
- Winter maintenance services
- Water and sewer services
- Fire, emergency and related services
- By-laws and enforcement
- Tax administration
- Licensing for businesses, lotteries, marriage, dogs, and other services like applications for birth, death and marriage certificates, notarizing or commissioning of documents
- Archival research
- Economic Development and business support programs
- Tourism support to share opportunities to showcase the festivals and help bring visitors in to support retail and other elements of the economy
- Administration of committees, steering groups and advisory groups
- Planning and development services
- Traffic and parking services
- Ensuring the best security, police, transit, garbage, water processing service, utilities, animal control are in place.
- Libraries and galleries
- Centre for the arts
- Accessibility matters
- Council services including things like supporting the up coming needs of our residents for the Oct 2010 municipal elections

It's a multitude of services and we continue to refine and review them to ensure we deliver the services in the most effective, efficient, and proactive ways.

In 2010 we are undergoing a corporate service review. This is a further check and balance system to seeking improvements - like better technologies to simplify processes or realigning how we operate. The comprehensive review is happening this year with a view to providing a report to Council for consideration. The report will be available by year end and will be addressed by the newly elected council for the 2011 budget.

For more information on the area or the corporation visit www.cambridge.ca
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