



COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	November 22, 2021
SUBJECT:	Local Webinar Series Details Carbon-Cutting Benefits of District Energy (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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Hamilton Community Enterprises (HCE) has launched a three-part public education series titled “Decarbonizing Heating.”

The purpose is to increase awareness and understanding of district energy systems and their related economic, social and environmental benefits.

The online series, developed in collaboration with the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce and Heat Academy International, kicks off on November 25, 2021 at 9 a.m. with a session titled “Introduction to Heat Networks.”

In addition to spotlighting Hamilton’s district energy assets, the session will feature best practices from Sweden in industrial waste heat recovery.

We encourage Members of Council, as well as senior leaders across the Corporation to attend and discover new and emerging possibilities in district energy. To register for the event visit the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce’s website here:

<https://www.hamiltonchamber.ca/events/public-education-series-decarbonizing-heating/>

About Hamilton Community Enterprises

Hamilton Community Enterprises (HCE), our municipally-owned smart city solutions provider, is implementing strategies to modernize and expand its district energy network

OUR Vision: To be the best place to raise a child and age successfully.

OUR Mission: To provide high quality cost conscious public services that contribute to a healthy, safe and prosperous community, in a sustainable manner.

OUR Culture: Collective Ownership, Steadfast Integrity, Courageous Change, Sensational Service, Engaged Empowered Employees.

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in downtown Hamilton. For more information on HCE please visit their website here <https://www.hce.net/>

The long-range vision extends to the proposed utilization of industrial waste heat as an alternative “fuel source” to help heat properties in and around central Hamilton.

This forward-looking effort in energy resilience aligns with Hamilton Council’s Climate Emergency Declaration and can be a concrete, implementable action in the forthcoming Community Energy and Emissions Plan (CEEP). For the most up-to-date information and development of Hamilton’s CEEP please visit <https://www.hamilton.ca/city-initiatives/priority-projects/community-energy-and-emissions-plan>

City Staff working on climate change and the Community Energy and Emissions Plan continue to work with HCE and others to ensure that we build on the strong foundation of Hamilton’s district energy system.

Should you require further information please contact Trevor Imhoff, Senior Project Manager, Air Quality and Climate Change at (905) 546-2424 Ext. 1308 or via email at trevor.imhoff@hamilton.ca.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

None