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I'd like to go on record as saying I do want a splash pad at Brant hills park.

I was told by Rory Nissan to email this to you.

Thank you Angela Robinson

I am writing to express my views on the City putting a splash pad in the Brant Hills neighborhood.

I have three young children and have lived in this neighborhood for 12 years. There is no water play/splash pad within walking distance in the neighborhood and we end up driving to the splash pad at either Haber community centre or at Spencer smith park. This limits our children's' enjoyment of summer splash pad fun by not being able to get outside to play as often as they would like due to having to drive there.

There is a very large population of young. Children in the neighborhood that would benefit from a splash pad being added by the City in the neighborhood.

Thank you,

Chantel Goldsmith

Hi,

I am writing to request a splash pad at Brant Hills. There are a lot of kids in our community that will enjoy and benefit from having a splash pad. There is space for it and it will bring people together.

Katherine McIntosh

#### To Whom it may concern:

I am emailing in regard to a splash pad possibly being built at Brant Hills City park. Along with the baseball fields and soccer fields already located there a splash pad would be a valuable addition to this great family park. It is such a family orientated area that I feel it would be greatly appreciated by all the parents and children of this area. Many families would utilize it all summer especially with all the sporting events that happen there. My family enjoys splash pads and would love a local one closer to where we live as we back on to Brant Hills Park. The one at Spencer Smith park is great but a little far and there is never any parking and the one on Dundas is always super busy. I would like to submit my yes vote for a splash pad to be built at Brant Hills Public Park. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me via email.

## Regards Kelly Winter

I understand there is a discussion about putting a splash or spray pad in the Brant Hills community. I would like to strongly endorse this plan for several reasons:

Brant Hills is a changing community, with demographics trending significantly towards young families in recent years. Even a rudimentary look at the statistics shows approximately 2/3 of all households in Brant Hills have children, and with 5 Elementary Schools, that 66% skews even younger.

Brant Hills already has the perfect location for a splash/spray pad at Brant Hills Community Centre, the only Community Centre in the city that doesn't already have either a splash/spray pad, or a pool (Haber doesn't technically, but Norton Park is directly across the street)

I could go on, but long emails get boring, so here are some bullet notes:

- Brant Hills Only Community Centre without a waterplay feature
- Wards 3 and 4 are the only wards without a free access waterplay area for kids
- A waterplay area at Brant Hills Community Centre will attract more people to use the facilities, including the library
- From the Brant Hills Community Centre area, the closest waterplay facilities are at least a 7-minute drive without traffic.
- A waterplay facility will also allow families to enjoy (and allow the city to show off)
  the Community Centre area even more when softball or soccer tournaments are
  being held on the fields behind the library.

A splash/spray pad at Brant Hills Community Centre would be well-used, and a good use of community resources, as well as a fair and needed addition for the community.

I realize there are a multitude of projects that need funding, but I would ask that you strongly consider a splash/spray pad in Brant Hills as one that should be moved forward.

Thank you,

Kevin Miller and family.

We were very excited to hear about the possibility of a splash pad coming to Brant Hills. Most neighbourhoods seem to have one within walking distance, but there is not one in this area, so it is long over due! Brant Hills Park has lots of space and is a gathering spot for the community, which has a LOT of young families. This would bring

us together even more, and I know that my two kids would enjoy it as well. Please consider approving this project - Thank you!

Kevin Visser

#### Hello

I am writing to say I think that installing a splash pad at Brant Hills would be a fabulous idea. We are a growing strong community with lots of families who enjoy being outdoors. It would be so nice to just walk down to the splash pad oppose to driving to the lake or another neighborhood to enjoy this. My vote is absolutely yes to the Brant Hills community getting a splash pad.

Katie Dunk

Hello,

Yes, I would like to see a splash pad build in ward 3. We have the space, and lots of younger families to enjoy it. For those moms who don't have access to a vehicle during the day it would be nice to have something that would be accessible in the neighborhood without having to bus over to Alton. Many families do not have central air, and this would be a great way to cool off.

Ideally, I would like to see the splash pad built at the Brant Hills Park, however either proposed location would be great.

Thanks to Rory Nissan for promoting this for the Brant Hills Community.

Melissa Overholt

## Hello,

My name is Rachel Dam. I'm a mother of 4 wonderful children (ages 17, 9,7 and 6), and I live on Coldstream in the Brant Hills area. I would like to speak today about the possibilities of adding a splash pad to the Brant hills park.

Not only would a splash pad at Brant Hills be more convenient for my family but it would also save on pollution as I wouldn't have to drive, we could walk which also helps get our families more active as well.

Often in the summer and warm spring/fall days my kids, sometimes with a few friends, find a splash pad to visit for a few hours, have picnic lunch then back to the park/splash pad. I have been all over Burlington and Oakville, but every time we pack and load up

the car get all the kids in just to drive anywhere from 1.5 km to 20km just to play at a splash pad. Not to mention if we have multiple families going in separate cars (due to seating/ number of occupants). The gas is not only costing me, but the emissions is costing our community as a whole.

Splash pads are an awesome outdoor activity that the kids never get tired of. Like I said before I've been going to splash pad all over for the last 15+ years. It doesn't have to be extravagant, but the kids love it. It keeps them active running around and playing with each other rather than sitting stationary playing video games. They create their own games to play and use their imaginations. It's truly amazing to watch kids all interact with each other.

I also feel, that building a splash pad at Brant Hills would bring the community closer together. More kids and families would come out to the park. There will be more kids to play and make friends with that they wouldn't see because the families are travelling to other locations finding some relief from the hot summer weather. With the temperatures getting hotter every summer and with the extreme heat advisories, a Splash pad at Brant Hills would bring a lot of relief and it would only be a short distance away.

I can't speak for other families, but I can insure that a splash pad at Brant Hills would make a valuable addition to this community.

Thank you for hearing my opinions and I hope a decision in our favour is made. Thank you for your time and consideration

Rachel	Dam			
I vote fo	or splash pad.			
Thanks	Tina Dureau			
——— Hi				

I would like to vote yes for Brant hills getting a splash pad. For the amount of sports that go on at our park and the families with young children it would be of great benefit.

Thank you

Shawn Dunk

I am a single parent living in Brant Hills with a 4-year-old daughter who would love to see a splash pad in our community! Please consider this a vote/voice for putting a splash pad in Brant Hills.

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# Lori Hetherington

### Hello there

I am writing to express my interest in getting a splash pad in the Brant Hills community. I feel like every other main neighbourhood has one except us. With how busy the park is in the summer with baseball and soccer and summer camps it would be well used and much appreciated.

Thank you

Kristina Calder Burlington, ON