



City of Barrie

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Meeting Agenda General Committee

Monday, April 15, 2019

5:00 PM

Council Chamber

1. **CONSENT AGENDA**
2. **PUBLIC MEETING(S)**
3. **PRESENTATIONS BY STAFF/OFFICERS/AGENTS OF THE CORPORATION**

**PRESENTATION CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT CHARGES (DC)
BACKGROUND STUDY DISCOUNTS AND EXEMPTIONS**

Attachments: [DC Background Study Presentation.pdf](#)

4. **DEFERRED BUSINESS**

Nil.

5. **REPORTS OF REFERENCE, ADVISORY OR SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE
DATED APRIL 3, 2019**

Attachments: [Report of the FCS Committee 190403 .pdf](#)

CITY OF BARRIE ACT CHARGES FOR 685 YONGE STREET

That the Report to Finance and Corporate Services Committee dated April 3, 2019 concerning the City of Barrie Act Charges for 685 Yonge Street, be received.

Attachments: [190403 City of Barrie Act Charges 685 Yonge St](#)
[ADDITIONS - Correspondence from S. Ferri.pdf](#)
[Amendment to City of Barrie Act, 1982.pdf](#)

FACILITY/EVENT OPPORTUNITIES - BARRIE TROJAN SWIM CLUB

That staff work in collaboration with the Barrie Trojan Swim Club and Isaacs Sports Group (ISG) to investigate the feasibility of locating a 50 metre Aquatic Facility within the City of Barrie and report back to the Sport Events/Facilities Advisory Committee.

Attachments: [190320 PRES - Opportunity Request - Barrie Trojans Swim Club](#)

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE SPORT EVENTS/FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

That staff in Access Barrie investigate opportunities to promote the Sport Events/Facilities Advisory Committee and report back to the Sport Events/Facilities Advisory Committee.

6. STAFF REPORT(S)**2019 TAX RATIOS AND CAPPING POLICIES**

1. That the tax ratios for the 2019 taxation year be established as follows:

a)	Residential/farm property class	1.000000;
b)	New Multi-residential	1.000000;
c)	Multi-residential	1.000000;
d)	Commercial Occupied	1.433126;
e)	Industrial Occupied	1.516328;
f)	Pipelines	1.103939;
g)	Farmlands	0.250000; and
h)	Managed forest	0.250000.
2. That the capping program be funded by clawing back decreases from within the affected property tax classes.
3. That the recommended capping parameters for commercial and industrial properties be maintained, as follows:
 - a) The property tax cap be set at an amount representing 10% of the previous year's annualized taxes;
 - b) Any property within +/- \$500 of the Current Value Assessment (CVA) taxes be moved directly to CVA taxation;
 - c) Any property that reaches the CVA level of taxation be removed from the capping program;
 - d) Exclude any property whose classification changes from capped to clawed back, or vice versa;
 - e) A minimum cap of 10% of the previous year's CVA taxes; and
 - f) Reassessment related increases for 2019 be excluded from the capping calculations.

4. That the capping phase-out option for the industrial class be adopted, resulting in the reduction from CVA taxes to annualized taxes based on the following schedule:
 - a) 1/3 in 2019;
 - b) 1/2 in 2020; and
 - c) Full CVA in 2021.
5. That the discounts for the commercial and industrial sub-classes for vacant land and excess land be maintained at 30% and 35% respectively.
6. That two sub-classes for Farmland Awaiting Development be maintained in each of the multi-residential, commercial, and industrial property classes at the following discounts:
 - a) Phase I - 25% discount off of the residential tax rate; and
 - b) Phase II - 0% discount off of the applicable property class tax rate.
7. That the City of Barrie (City) continue with its existing Rebates for Charitable Organizations Program providing a tax rebate for Registered Charitable Organizations, as defined in Section 248(1) of the *Income Tax Act*, R.S.C. 1985, Chapter 1, at a rate of 40% of the current year's taxes applicable to the space occupied.
8. That the Registered Charities eligible for the tax rebate program continue to submit an annual application and provide evidence of taxes paid satisfactory to the Treasurer or his/her designate.
9. That the City Clerk be authorized to prepare all necessary by-laws to establish the 2019 taxation and capping policies as described herein. (FIN004-19) (File: F22)

Attachments: [FIN004-190415.pdf](#)

DEVELOPMENT CHARGE DISCOUNTS AND EXEMPTIONS

1. That a Citywide Development Charge By-law be prepared that includes the following discretionary discounts and exemptions:
 - a) College and University buildings used for teaching;
 - b) 50% discount for development of lands owned by a non-profit institution; and
 - c) Discounted rate for an accessory building to an existing industrial building.
2. That in lieu of providing further discretionary discounts and exemptions, staff report back to General Committee with respect to options for providing incentive programs within a Community Improvement Plan

including objectives, eligibility requirements, identifying sustainable funding source(s) and other pertinent information to support the Growing Our Economy goal in the 2018-2022 Strategic Plan.

3. That effective with the passing of the 2019 Development Charge By-law, a Community Improvement reserve be established with \$2.5 million in initial funding from the Commercial/Industrial Land Reserve to be used toward the initiatives identified within Staff Report FIN007-19. (FIN007-19) (File: F00)

Attachments: [FIN007-190415.pdf](#)

[ADDITIONS - FIN007-190415.pdf](#)

MUNICIPAL NAMES REGISTRY

That the list of proposed names for the Municipal Names Registry, as identified in Appendix "A" to Staff Report PLN007-19, be approved. (PLN007-19) (File: D19-STR)

Attachments: [PLN007-190415.pdf](#)

7. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Nil.

8. ITEM(S) FOR DISCUSSION

Nil.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

Nil.

10. ENQUIRIES

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

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