

## INFRASTRUCTURE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

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TO: FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE

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**MANAGEMENT** 

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RE: WATER SERVICE REPAIR – 352 YONGE STREET

**DATE:** OCTOBER 19, 2021

The purpose of this Memorandum is to provide members of Committee with information regarding the status of the water service at 352 Yonge Street, Barrie, ON ('Site'). This property is designated as an industrial/commercial/institutional (ICI) property.

On August 19th, 2021, a water service leak was discovered at the Site at which time the property owners were contacted and informed of the issue. During this time, staff from the Water Operations Branch installed a temporary, above ground, service connection between the neighbouring home (354 Yonge Street) and the Site. The temporary connection is intended to provide water to the affected property while allowing the ground to dry before repairs can commence.

On September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Water Operations staff met on-Site with the property owners and a contractor to discuss the repair that would be required. At this time, the property was again informed of their responsibilities to remedy the damaged water service as outlined in the City of Barrie's ('City') Water and Wastewater Billing By-law 2016-115 ('By-law').

The By-law states that the owner of ICI property is responsible for any repairs to the water service. As per Section 14.5 of the By-law, ICI and multi-residential property owners are responsible for all service repairs from the watermain to the water meter, in coordination with the City's Water Operations Branch. If the leak, in the City's opinion, requires immediate attention, the City will undertake the necessary repairs or replacements. In this instance, the property owner would be invoiced for the costs associated with the repair as specified in the City's Fees By-Law.

Over the past five (5) years, sixteen (16) ICI water service breaks have been repaired by the owner in coordination with the Water Operations Branch and in compliance with the By-law. In all cases, the property owners paid for the water service repair in full, as well as sourcing contractors to perform the necessary repairs. The costs associated with such repairs varies due to the size and type of repair. It is estimated that the repair of the water service at 352 Yonge Street would cost approximately \$1000.00 to \$2000.00.

If any additional information is required, please contact Diane Moreau, Manager of Water Operations, at ext.6158