

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CHARGES POLICY TASK FORCE
OPEN SESSION**

**RDCPTF 2-2021
Thursday, June 17, 2021
Meeting held by Video Conference**

Task Force: Bradley (Regional Chair), Butters, Bylsma, Chiocchio, Disero, Foster (Task Force Vice-Chair), Greenwood, Huson, Insinna (Task Force Chair), Ip, Junkin, Rigby, Steele, Zalepa

Absent/Regrets: Bellows, Jordan, Redekop

Other Councillors: Fertich

Staff: H. Chamberlain, Director, Financial Management & Planning / Deputy Treasurer, R. Fleming, Senior Tax & Revenue Analyst, T. Harrison, Commissioner, Corporate Services/Treasurer, P. Lambert, Director, Infrastructure Planning & Development Engineering, M. Murphy, Associate Director, Budget Planning & Strategy, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, M. Trennum, Deputy Regional Clerk, R. Tripp, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, S. Wood, Legal Counsel

Others Present: Gary Scandlan, Managing Partner, and Daryl Abbs, Senior Project Coordinator, Watson & Associates

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Insinna called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Development Charges Act Overview and Next Steps

Gary Scandlan, Managing Partner, Watson & Associates, provided information respecting Development Charges Act Overview and Next Steps. Topics of the presentation included:

- Development Charges Act (DCA Overview)
 - History of Development Charges
 - Eligible Services
 - Limitation on Capital & Capital Costs
 - Maximum Charge Capped by Service Standard Calculation
 - Relationship Between Needs to Service Growth vs. Funding
 - Methodology & the Development Charge Calculation

- Development Charge Cash Flow
- Timing of Capital Expenditures
- Local Service Policies
- Exemptions
- Niagara Region Current Discretionary Exemptions within and outside By-law
- Changes to the Development Charges Act
 - Bill 108: More Homes, More Choice: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan
 - Bill 107: COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020)
 - Bill 213: Better for People, Smarter for Business Act, 2020
- Development Charges Emerging Issues
- Policy Report Overview & Format, Next Steps and Project Status

4. **DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations.

5. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

There were no items for consideration.

6. **CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

6.1 **RDCPTF-C 4-2021**

Stakeholder Engagement Session – June 22, 2021

Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Councillor Huson

That Correspondence Item RDCPTF-C 4-2021, being a memorandum from R. Fleming, Senior Tax & Revenue Analyst, dated June 17, 2021, respecting Stakeholder Engagement Session – June 22, 2021, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Carried

6.2 **RDCPTF-C 5-2021**

Training Material for Development Charges Act Amendments

Moved by Councillor Foster
Seconded by Councillor Junkin

That Correspondence Item RDCPTF-C 5-2021, being a memorandum from R. Fleming, Senior Tax & Revenue Analyst, dated June 17, 2021, respecting Training Material for Development Charges Act Amendments, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Carried

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 2022 Development Charge Background Study

Rob Fleming, Senior Tax & Revenue Analyst, provided information respecting the projected milestones of the water and wastewater master servicing plan, and the growth projection work associated with the Region's New Official Plan. He advised of the necessary order for these project milestones to ensure consistency and alignment with the development charge background study.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 29, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

Councillor Insinna
Committee Chair

Matthew Trennum
Deputy Regional Clerk

Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk