
MEMORANDUM**CL-C 183-2021****Subject: Update Regarding 2022 Schedule of Fees and Charges****Date: December 16, 2021****To: Council****From: Erin Amirault, Associate Director, Finance Operations and Systems**

The purpose of this memo is to describe an error discovered in the 2022 schedule of fees and charges as presented at the December 9, 2021 Budget Review Committee of the Whole (BRC).

In 2019, the Niagara Regional Transit (NRT) service plan transferred Port Colborne's Link service to the Region. Prior to this upload, the City of Port Colborne increased the Link fare from \$3.50 to \$4.00. The Region's fees and charges by-law did not receive a corresponding update at that time and has continued to reflect \$3.50. Staff are preparing for NRT OnDemand to become the transit provider in Port Colborne as of January 3, 2022 and noticed the oversight. To correct for this, the following Transit fees have been updated from \$3.50 to \$4.00 on the 2022 schedule of fees and charges (this has no impact on riders, as they have been correctly charged a fare of \$4.00 since prior to the upload from Port Colborne):

- PW-136 Port Colborne to Welland Link Service - Cash Fare - Adults (18-64)
- PW-137 Port Colborne to Welland Link Service - Cash Fare - Youth (13-17) / High School Students
- PW-138 Port Colborne to Welland Link Service - Cash Fare - Seniors (65+)

Staff have also noted that Niagara Specialized Transit (NST) does not have a Link service. All trips are inter-municipal, door-to-door, and therefore the standard NST fares apply. As such, the following fees have been deleted from the schedule:

- PW-159 Trips Fort Erie to Niagara Falls Link Service - Cash Fare - Adults (18-64)
- PW-160 Trips Fort Erie to Niagara Falls Link Service - Cash Fare - Youth (13-17) / High School Students
- PW-161 Trips Fort Erie to Niagara Falls Link Service - Cash Fare - Seniors (65+)

- PW-162 Trips Port Colborne to Welland Link Service - Cash Fare - Adults (18-64)
- PW-163 Trips Port Colborne to Welland Link Service - Cash Fare - Youth (13-17) / High School Students
- PW-164 Trips Port Colborne to Welland Link Service - Cash Fare - Seniors (65+)

These changes are reflected in the appendix to Bill No. 2021-114, the by-law to establish fees and charges, which is also on tonight's agenda.

Other pertinent reports:

- [LNTC-C 21-2018](#) Inter-Municipal Transit (IMT) Service Implementation Strategy

<https://www.niagararegion.ca/council/Council%20Documents/2018/LNTC-agenda-sep-12-2018.pdf>

- [CSD 22-2019](#) 2019 Levy Operating Budget

<https://pub-niagararegion.escribemeetings.com/Meeting.aspx?Id=6a4dfec4-34dc-4993-9cf2-2e61ad312ef9&Agenda=Agenda&lang=English&Item=11&Tab=attachments>

- [PW 38-2021](#) Niagara Regional Transit (NRT) OnDemand – Port Colborne Inclusion

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Respectfully submitted and signed by

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