



Development Charges Background Study

Municipality of West Elgin

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Acronym Full Description of Acronym

A.M.P. Asset management plan

CANSIM Canadian Socio-Economic Information Management System

(Statistics Canada)

C.B.C. Community Benefits Charge

D.C. Development charge

D.C.A. Development Charges Act, 1997, as amended

F.I.R. Financial Information Return

G.F.A. Gross floor area

LPAT Local Planning Appeal Tribunal

M.E.C.P. Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

N.F.P.O.W. No fixed place of work

O.L.T. Ontario Land Tribunal

O.M.B. Ontario Municipal Board

O.P.A. Official Plan Amendment

O. Reg. Ontario Regulation

P.O.A. Provincial Offences Act

P.P.U. Persons per unit

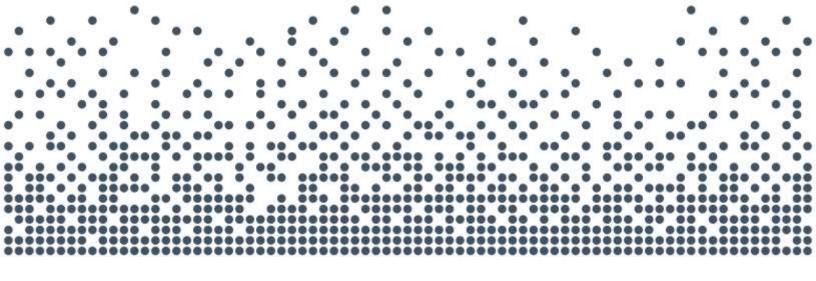
S.D.E. Single detached equivalent

S.D.U. Single detached unit

S.W.M. Stormwater management

sq.ft. square foot

sq.m square metre



Executive Summary



Executive Summary

- 1. The report provided herein represents the Development Charges (D.C.) Background Study for the Municipality of West Elgin required by the Development Charges Act, 1997, as amended (D.C.A.). This report has been prepared in accordance with the methodology required under the D.C.A. The contents include the following:
 - Chapter 1 Overview of the legislative requirements of the Act;
 - Chapter 2 Summary of the residential and non-residential growth forecasts for the Municipality;
 - Chapter 3 Approach to calculating the D.C.;
 - Chapter 4 Review of historical service standards and identification of future capital requirements to service growth and related deductions and allocations;
 - Chapter 5 Calculation of the D.C.s;
 - Chapter 6 D.C. policy recommendations and rules; and
 - Chapter 7 By-law implementation.
- 2. D.C.s provide for the recovery of growth-related capital expenditures from new development. The D.C.A. is the statutory basis to recover these charges. The methodology is detailed in Chapter 3; a simplified summary is provided below.
 - 1) Identify amount, type and location of growth.
 - 2) Identify servicing needs to accommodate growth.
 - 3) Identify capital costs to provide services to meet the needs.
 - 4) Deduct:
 - Grants, subsidies and other contributions;
 - Benefit to existing development;
 - Amounts in excess of 15-year historical service calculation;
 - D.C. reserve funds (where applicable);
 - Net costs are then allocated between residential and non-residential benefit;
 - 6) Net costs divided by growth to provide the D.C.
- 3. The D.C. process needs to address a number of items that were established through the *Smart Growth for Our Communities Act, 2015* (Bill 73). These items



have been incorporated throughout the report and in the draft by-law, as necessary. These items include:

- a. Area-rating: Council must consider the use of area-specific charges.
- b. Asset Management Plan for New Infrastructure: The D.C. background study must include an asset management plan (A.M.P.) that deals with all assets proposed to be funded, in whole or in part, by D.C.s. The A.M.P. must show that the assets are financially sustainable over their full lifecycle.
- c. 60-day Circulation Period: The D.C. background study must be released to the public at least 60-days prior to passage of the D.C. by-law.
- d. Timing of Collection of Development Charges: The D.C.A. now requires D.C.s to be collected at the time of the first building permit.
- 4. Further changes to the D.C.A. were introduced through several bills passed in the Ontario legislature: Bill 108, Bill 138, Bill 197, Bill 213, Bill 109, Bill 23, Bill 134, and Bill 185. The following provides a brief summary of the proposed changes and are further discussed in sections 1.4 to 1.6 of this report.

Bill 108: More Homes, More Choice: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan

In May 2019, the Province introduced Bill 108, More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019 which would make changes to the current D.C. legislation. The Bill was passed and given Royal Assent on June 6, 2019. While the legislation has been passed, much of the detailed changes were to be implemented by Regulation, however, these changes were not implemented (subject to Bill 197 discussed later). The following items came into effect upon Royal Assent:

a. Effective January 1, 2020, rental housing and institutional developments shall pay D.C.s in six (6) equal annual payments commencing at first occupancy. Non-profit housing developments shall pay D.C.s in 21 equal annual payments. Interest may be charged on the instalments, and any unpaid amounts inclusive of interest payable shall be added to the property tax roll and collected in the same manner as taxes.



b. Effective January 1, 2020, the D.C. amount for all developments occurring within two years of a Site Plan or Zoning By-law Amendment planning approval (for applications made after January 1, 2020), shall be determined based on the D.C. by-law in effect on the day of Site Plan or Zoning By-law Amendment application.

Note Bill 23 and Bill 185 as described below have provided for changes to the above items.

Other key elements of the changes that were not proclaimed and were dealt with subsequently through Bill 197 are provided below:

- The D.C. would be refined to only allow for the following services to remain within the D.C.: water, wastewater, storm water, roads, fire, policing, ambulance, waste diversion, parks development, recreation, public libraries, long-term care, and public health.
- The mandatory 10% deduction would be removed for all services that remain eligible in the D.C.
- A new community benefits charge (C.B.C.) would be introduced to include formerly eligible D.C. services that are not included in the above listing, parkland dedication, and bonus zoning contributions.

Bill 138: Plan to Build Ontario Together Act, 2019

On November 6, 2019, the Province released Bill 138 which provided further amendments to the D.C.A. and Planning Act. This Bill received Royal Assent on December 10, 2019, and was proclaimed which resulted in sections related to the D.C.A. (schedule 10) becoming effective on January 1, 2020. With respect to the D.C.A., this Bill removed instalment payments for commercial and industrial developments that were originally identified in Bill 108.

Bill 197: COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020

In March 2020, Canada was impacted by the COVID-19 global pandemic. As a result, the economy was put into a state of emergency in an effort to slow the spread of the virus. In response, the Province tabled legislation on July 8, 2020 which amended a number of Acts, including the D.C.A. and the Planning Act. With Bill 197, many changes proposed in Bill 108 have now been revised. With



respect to the above noted changes from Bill 108, the following changes are provided in Bill 197:

- Eligible Services: The list of eligible services for the D.C. has now been expanded to include most services eligible under the D.C.A. prior to Bill 108.
- Mandatory 10% Deduction: The mandatory 10% deduction is removed (consistent with Bill 108). This applies to all D.C.-eligible services.
- Community Benefits Charges: a municipality may, by by-law, impose a
 C.B.C. to pay for the capital costs for formerly eligible D.C. services in
 addition to parkland dedication and bonus zoning contributions. At this time
 the Municipality has not identified the need for a C.B.C.

Bill 213: Better for People, Smarter for Business Act, 2020

On December 8, 2020, Bill 213 received Royal Assent. One of the changes of the Bill that took effect upon Royal Assent included amending the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities Act by introducing a new section that would exempt the payment of D.C.s for developments of land intended for use by a university that receives operating funds from the Government.

Bill 109: More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022

On April 14, 2022, Bill 109 received Royal Assent. One of the changes of the Bill and Ontario Regulation (O. Reg.) 438/22 that took effect upon Royal Assent included amending the D.C.A. and O. Reg. 82/98 related to the requirements for the information which is to be included in the annual Treasurer's statement on D.C. reserve funds and the requirement for publication of the statement.

Bill 23: More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022

Bill 23 was first introduced on October 25, 2022, and received Royal Assent on November 28, 2022. A summary of the changes provided from Bill 23 are outlined below (further details are provided in Chapter 1 of this report):

- Additional residential unit exemption: allowance of a third unit as-of-right;
- Removal of Housing as an eligible D.C. service;
- New statutory exemptions for:
 - Affordable Inclusionary Zoning Units;



- Attainable Units (currently not in force); and
- o Affordable Units.

Note: Bill 134: Affordable Homes and Good Jobs Act, 2023 which was released on September 28, 2023, provides for a modified definition of "affordable" under the D.C.A. and received Royal Assent on December 4, 2023:

- Owned unit (lesser of): cost is less than 30% of the 60th percentile of income for households in the municipality or 90% of the average purchase price as defined in a new Bulletin.
- Rental unit (lesser of): rent is less than 30% of the 60th percentile of income for rental households or average market rent set out in a new Bulletin.
- New statutory exemption for Non-Profit Housing;
- Historical level of service extended to previous 15-year period instead of the previous 10-year period;
- Capital Cost definition revised to remove studies and prescribe services for which land or an interest in land will be restricted (nothing prescribed to date);
- Mandatory phase-in of a D.C. for by-laws passed after January 1, 2022, as follows:
 - Year 1 80% of the maximum charge;
 - Year 2 85% of the maximum charge;
 - Year 3 90% of the maximum charge;
 - Year 4 95% of the maximum charge; and
 - Year 5 to expiry 100% of the maximum charge.
- D.C. By-law expiry will be a maximum of 10 years after the date the by-law comes into force;
- D.C. for Rental Housing developments to receive a discount as follows:
 - Three or more bedrooms 25% reduction:
 - Two bedrooms 20% reduction; and
 - All other bedroom quantities 15% reduction.
- Maximum interest rate for instalments and determination of charge for eligible Site Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment applications to be set at the average prime rate plus 1%; and



 Requirement to allocate funds received – municipalities are required to spend or allocate at least 60% of their reserve fund at the beginning of the year for water, wastewater, and services related to a highway.

Bill 185: Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024

On April 10, 2024, the Province introduced Bill 185: *Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act.* The Bill received Royal Assent on June 6, 2024. A summary of the changes provided from Bill 185 are outlined below (further details are provided in Chapter 1 of this report):

- The definition of eligible capital costs (to include certain studies);
- The removal of the mandatory phase-in of charges;
- The process for minor amendments to D.C. by-laws;
- A reduction of time for the D.C. rate freeze related to site plan and zoning by-law amendment planning applications;
- Modernizing public notice requirements; and
- Implementation of the Affordable Residential Unit exemptions.
- 5. The growth forecast (Chapter 2) on which the D.C. study is based, projects the following population, housing, and non-residential floor area for the Municipal-wide 10-year (2024 to 2033) and long-term period (2024 to 2046).

Table ES-1

Municipality of West Elgin

Summary of Growth Forecast by Planning Period

Measure	10 Year 2024-2033	Long-Term 2024-2046
(Net) Population Increase	491	1,090
Residential Unit Increase	359	789
Non-Residential Gross Floor Area Increase (sq.ft.)	540,300	1,174,700

Source: Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. Forecast 2024

6. The Municipality is undertaking a D.C. public process and anticipates passing a new by-law for eligible services. The mandatory public meeting has been



- scheduled for October 24, 2024 with adoption of the by-law anticipated for November 28, 2024.
- 7. The Municipality does not currently impose a D.C. This report has undertaken a calculation of the charges based on future identified needs (presented in Schedule ES-3 for residential and non-residential development). Charges have been provided on a Municipal-wide basis for all services. The corresponding single-detached unit charge is \$9,951. The non-residential charge is \$3.23 per sq.ft. of building area. These rates are submitted to Council for their consideration.
- 8. The D.C.A. requires a summary be provided of the gross capital costs and the net costs to be recovered over the life of the by-law. This calculation is provided by service and is presented in Table 5-4. A summary of these costs is provided below:

Table ES-2

Municipality of West Elgin

Summary of Expenditures Anticipated Over the Life of the By-law

Summary of Expenditures Anticipated Over the Life of the By-law	Expenditure Amount
Total gross expenditures planned over the next ten years	\$15,165,870
Less: Benefit to existing development	\$5,396,800
Less: Post planning period benefit	\$0
Less: Other deductions	\$150,000
Less: Ineligible re: Level of Service	\$0
Less: Grants, subsidies and other contributions	\$1,630,000
Net costs to be recovered from development charges	\$7,989,070

This suggests that for the non-D.C. cost over the 10-year D.C. by-law (benefit to existing development, and grants, subsidies and other contributions), \$7.18 million (or an annual amount of \$0.72 million) will need to be contributed from taxes and rates, or other sources.



Based on the above table, the Municipality plans to spend \$15.17 million over the life of the by-law, of which \$7.99 million (53%) is recoverable from D.C.s. Of this net amount, \$4.93 million is recoverable from residential development and \$3.06 million from non-residential development. It is noted also that any exemptions or reductions in the charges would reduce this recovery further.

9. Considerations by Council – The background study represents the service needs arising from residential and non-residential growth over the forecast periods.

The following services are calculated based on a long-term 2024 to 2046 forecast period:

- Services Related to a Highway;
 - Roads and Related:
 - Public Works (Facilities and Fleet); and
- Fire Protection Services.

The following services/classes of service are calculated based on a 10-year forecast period, from 2024 to 2034.

- Parks and Recreation Services: and
- Growth Studies.

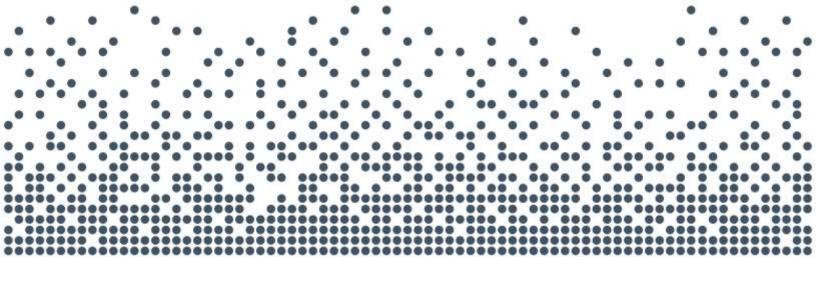
Council will consider the findings and recommendations provided in the report and, in conjunction with public input, approve such policies and rates it deems appropriate. These directions will refine the draft D.C. by-law which is appended in Appendix G. These decisions may include:

- adopting the charges and policies recommended herein;
- considering additional exemptions to the by-law; and
- considering reductions in the charge by class of development (obtained by removing certain services on which the charge is based and/or by a general reduction in the charge).



Table ES-3 Municipality of West Elgin Schedule of Development Charges

	RESIDENTIAL					NON-RESIDENTIAL
Service/Class of Service	Single and Semi- Detached Dwelling	Other Multiples	Apartments - 2 Bedrooms +	Apartments - Bachelor and 1 Bedroom	Special Care/Special Dwelling Units	(per sq.ft. of Gross Floor Area)
Municipal Wide Services/Class of Service:						
Services Related to a Highway	5,804	4,781	3,810	2,241	2,241	2.60
Fire Protection Services	989	815	649	382	382	0.44
Parks and Recreation Services	2,748	2,264	1,804	1,061	1,061	0.08
Growth Studies	410	338	269	158	158	0.11
Total Municipal Wide Services/Class of Services	9,951	8,198	6,532	3,842	3,842	3.23



Report



Chapter 1 Introduction



1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose of this Document

This background study has been prepared pursuant to the requirements of the *Development Charges Act, 1997*, as amended, (D.C.A.) (section 10) and, accordingly, recommends development charges (D.C.s) and policies for the Municipality of West Elgin.

The Municipality retained Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. (Watson), to undertake the D.C. study process throughout 2024. Watson worked with Municipal staff in preparing the D.C. analysis and policy recommendations.

This D.C. background study, containing the proposed D.C. by-law, will be distributed to members of the public in order to provide interested parties with sufficient background information on the legislation, the study's recommendations, and an outline of the basis for these recommendations.

This report has been prepared, in the first instance, to meet the statutory requirements applicable to the Municipality's D.C. background study, as summarized in Chapter 3. It also addresses the requirement for "rules" (contained in Chapter 6) and the proposed by-law to be made available as part of the approval process (included as Appendix G).

In addition, the report is designed to set out sufficient background on the legislation (Chapter 3), and the growth anticipated within the Municipality (Chapter 2), to make the exercise understandable to those who are involved.

Finally, it addresses post-adoption implementation requirements (Chapter 7) which are critical to the successful application of the new policy.

The chapters in the report are supported by Appendices containing the data required to explain and substantiate the calculation of the charge. A full discussion of the statutory requirements for the preparation of a background study and calculation of a D.C. is provided herein.



1.2 Summary of the Process

The public meeting required under section 12 of the D.C.A. has been scheduled for October 24, 2024. Its purpose is to present the study to the public and to solicit public input. The meeting is also being held to answer any questions regarding the study's purpose, methodology, and the proposed approach to the Municipality's D.C.s.

In accordance with the legislation, the background study and proposed D.C. by-law will be available for public review on September 27, 2024.

The process to be followed in finalizing the report and recommendations includes:

- consideration of responses received prior to, at, or immediately following the public meeting; and
- finalization of the report and Council consideration of the by-law subsequent to the public meeting.

Figure 1-1 outlines the proposed schedule to be followed with respect to the D.C. by-law adoption process.

Figure 1-1
Schedule of Key D.C. Process Dates for the Municipality of West Elgin

	Schedule of Study Milestone	Dates
1.	Data collection, staff review, D.C. calculations and policy work	April 2024 to September 2024
2.	Council Workshop	September 26, 2024
3.	Public release of final D.C. Background Study and proposed by- law	September 27, 2024
4.	Public meeting advertisement placed in newspaper(s)	No later than October 3, 2024
5.	Public meeting of Council	October 24, 2024
6.	Council considers adoption of background study and passage of by-law	November 28, 2024
7.	Newspaper notice given of by-law passage	By 20 days after passage
8.	Last day for by-law appeal	40 days after passage



	Schedule of Study Milestone	Dates
9.	Municipality makes pamphlet available (where by-law not appealed)	By 60 days after in force date

1.3 Changes to the D.C.A.: Bill 73 – Smart Growth for our Communities Act, 2015

With the amendment of the D.C.A. in 2015 (as a result of Bill 73 and O. Reg. 428/15), there are a number of areas that must be addressed to ensure that the Municipality is in compliance with the D.C.A. The following provides an explanation of the changes to the Act that affect the Municipality's background study and how they have been dealt with to ensure compliance with the amended legislation.

1.3.1 Area Rating

Bill 73 introduced two new sections where Council must consider the use of areaspecific charges:

- 1) Section 2 (9) of the Act now requires a municipality to implement area-specific D.C.s for either specific services which are prescribed and/or for specific municipalities which are to be regulated.
- 2) Section 10 (2) c.1 of the D.C.A. requires that, "the development charges background study shall include consideration of the use of more than one development charge by-law to reflect different needs for services in different areas."

In regard to the first item, there are no services or specific municipalities identified in the regulations which must be area rated. The second item requires Council to consider the use of area rating.

1.3.2 Asset Management Plan for New Infrastructure

The legislation now requires that a D.C. background study must include an asset management plan (A.M.P.) (subsection 10 (2) (c.2)). The A.M.P. must deal with all assets that are proposed to be funded, in whole or in part, by D.C.s. The current regulations provide very extensive and specific requirements for the A.M.P. related to transit services; however, they are silent with respect to how the asset management



plan is to be provided for all other services. As part of any A.M.P., the examination should be consistent with the municipality's existing assumptions, approaches, and policies on asset management planning. This examination may include both qualitative and quantitative measures such as examining the annual future lifecycle contributions needs (discussed further in Appendix F of this report).

1.3.3 60-Day Circulation of the D.C. Background Study

Previously the legislation only required that a D.C. background study be made available to the public at least two weeks prior to the public meeting. The amended legislation now provides that the D.C. background study must also be made available to the public (including posting on the municipal website) at least 60 days prior to passage of the D.C. by-law. No other changes were made to timing requirements for such things as notice of the public meeting and notice of by-law passage.

This D.C. study is being provided to the public on September 27, 2024 to ensure the requirements for release of the study are met.

1.3.4 Timing of Collection of D.C.s

The D.C.A. has been refined by Bill 73 to require that D.C.s are collected at the time of the first building permit. There may be instances, however, where several building permits are to be issued and either the size of the development or the uses will not be definable at the time of the first building permit. In these instances, the Municipality may enter into a delayed payment agreement in order to capture the full development.

1.3.5 Other Changes

It is also noted that a number of other changes were made through Bill 73 and O. Reg. 428/15, including changes to the way in which transit D.C. service standards are calculated and the inclusion of waste diversion, however, these sections do not impact the Municipality's D.C.



1.4 Further Changes to the D.C.A.: Bill 108, 138, 197, 213 and 109

1.4.1 Bill 108: More Homes, More Choice Act – An Act to Amend Various Statutes with Respect to Housing, Other Development, and Various Matters

On May 2, 2019, the Province introduced Bill 108, which proposed changes to the D.C.A. The Bill was introduced as part of the Province's "More Homes, More Choice: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan." The Bill received Royal Assent on June 6, 2019.

While having received royal assent, many of the amendments to the D.C.A. would not come into effect until they are proclaimed by the Lieutenant Governor (many of these changes were revised through Bill 197). The following provisions were proclaimed:

- Effective January 1, 2020, rental housing and institutional developments will pay
 D.C.s in six equal annual payments commencing at occupancy. Non-profit
 housing developments will pay D.C.s in 21 equal annual payments (non-profit
 housing now exempt as per Bill 23). Interest may be charged on the instalments,
 and any unpaid amounts may be added to the property and collected as taxes.
- Effective January 1, 2020, the D.C. amount for all developments occurring within 2 years of a Site Plan or Zoning By-law Amendment planning approval (for application submitted after this section is proclaimed), shall be determined based on the D.C. in effect on the day of Site Plan or Zoning By-law Amendment application (reduced to 18-months as per Bill 185). If the development is not proceeding via these planning approvals, then the amount is determined the earlier of the date of issuance of a building permit.

On February 28, 2020, the Province released updated draft regulations related to the D.C.A. and the Planning Act. A summary of these changes to take effect upon proclamation by the Lieutenant Governor is provided below:

Changes to Eligible Services – Prior to Bill 108, the D.C.A. provided a list of ineligible services whereby municipalities could include growth related costs for any service that was not listed. With Bill 108, the changes to the D.C.A. would now specifically list the services that are eligible for inclusion in the by-law. Further, the initial list of eligible



services under Bill 108 was limited to "hard services", with the "soft services" being removed from the D.C.A. These services would be considered as part of a new community benefits charge (discussed below) imposed under the Planning Act. As noted in the next section this list of services has been amended through Bill 197.

Mandatory 10% deduction – The amending legislation would remove the mandatory 10% deduction for all services that remain eligible under the D.C.A.

Remaining Services to be Included in a New Community Benefits Charge (C.B.C.) Under the Planning Act — A municipality may, by by-law, impose a C.B.C. against land to pay for the capital costs of facilities, services and matters required because of development or redevelopment in the area to which the by-law applies. The C.B.C. was proposed to include formerly eligible D.C. services that are not included in the above listing, in addition to parkland dedication and bonus zoning contributions.

1.4.2 Bill 138: Plan to Build Ontario Together Act, 2019

On November 6, 2019, the Province released Bill 138 which provided further amendments to the D.C.A. and Planning Act. This Bill received Royal Assent on December 10, 2019 and was proclaimed which resulted in sections related to the D.C.A. (schedule 10) becoming effective on January 1, 2020. The amendments to the D.C.A. included removal of instalment payments for commercial and industrial developments that were originally included in Bill 108.

1.4.3 Bill 197: COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020

In response to the global pandemic that began affecting Ontario in early 2020, the Province released Bill 197 which provided amendments to a number of Acts, including the D.C.A. and Planning Act. This Bill also revised some of the proposed changes identified in Bill 108. Bill 197 was tabled on July 8, 2020, received Royal Assent on July 21, 2020, and was proclaimed on September 18, 2020. The following provides a summary of the changes:



1.4.3.1 D.C. Related Changes

List of D.C. Eligible Services

- As noted above, under Bill 108 some services were to be included under the D.C.A. and some would be included under the C.B.C. authority. Bill 197, however, revised this proposed change and has included all services (with some exceptions) under the D.C.A. These services are as follows:
 - Water supply services, including distribution and treatment services.
 - Wastewater services, including sewers and treatment services.
 - Storm water drainage and control services.
 - Services related to a highway.
 - Electrical power services.
 - o Toronto-York subway extension.
 - Transit services.
 - Waste diversion services.
 - Policing services.
 - Fire protection services.
 - o Ambulance services.
 - Library services.
 - Long-term Care services
 - o Parks and Recreation services, but not the acquisition of land for parks.
 - Public Health services.
 - Childcare and early years services.
 - Housing services.
 - Provincial Offences Act services.
 - Services related to emergency preparedness.
 - Services related to airports, but only in the Regional Municipality of Waterloo.
 - Additional services as prescribed.

Classes of Services – D.C.

Pre-Bill 108/197 legislation (i.e. D.C.A., 1997) allowed for categories of services to be grouped together into a minimum of two categories (90% and 100% services).

The Act (as amended) repeals and replaces the above with the four following subsections.



- A D.C. by-law may provide for any eligible service or capital cost related to any eligible service to be included in a class, set out in the by-law.
- A class may be composed of any number or combination of services and may include parts or portions of the eligible services or parts or portions of the capital costs in respect of those services.
- A D.C. by-law may provide for a class consisting of studies in respect of any eligible service whose capital costs are described in paragraphs 5 and 6 of s. 5 of the D.C.A.
- A class of service set out in the D.C. by-law is deemed to be a single service with respect to reserve funds, use of monies, and credits.

As well, the removal of the 10% deduction for soft services under Bill 108 has been maintained.

Note: An initial consideration of "class" appears to mean any group of services.

10-Year Planning Horizon

The 10-year planning horizon has been removed for all services except transit.

1.4.3.2 C.B.C. Related Changes

C.B.C. Eligibility

The C.B.C. is limited to lower-tier and single tier municipalities; upper-tier municipalities will not be allowed to impose this charge.

1.4.3.3 Combined D.C. and C.B.C. Impacts

D.C. vs. C.B.C. Capital Cost

A C.B.C. may be imposed with respect to the services listed in s. 2 (4) of the D.C.A. (eligible services), "provided that the capital costs that are intended to be funded by the community benefits charge are not capital costs that are intended to be funded under a development charge by-law."

1.4.4 Bill 213: Better for People, Smarter for Business Act, 2020

On December 8, 2020, Bill 213 received Royal Assent. One of the changes of the Bill that took effect upon Royal Assent included amending the Ministry of Training, Colleges



and Universities Act by introducing a new section that would exempt the payment of D.C.s for developments of land intended for use by a university that receives operating funds from the Government. As a result, this mandatory exemption will be included in the D.C. by-law.

1.4.5 Bill 109: More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022

On April 14, 2022, Bill 109 received Royal Assent. One of the changes of the Bill and Ontario Regulation (O. Reg.) 438/22 that took effect upon Royal Assent included amending the D.C.A. and O. Reg. 82/98 related to the requirements for the information which is to be included in the annual Treasurer's statement on D.C. reserve funds and the requirement for publication of the statement. The following additional information must be provided for each D.C. service being collected for during the year:

- a) whether, as of the end of the year, the municipality expects to incur the amount of capital costs that were estimated, in the relevant development charge background study, to be incurred during the term of the applicable development charge by-law;
- b) if the answer to a) is no, the amount the municipality now expects to incur and a statement as to why this amount is expected; and
- c) if no money was spent from the reserve fund during the year, a statement as to why there was no spending during the year.

The changes to the D.C.A. has also been amended to now require that the annual Treasurer's statement be made available to the public on the website of the municipality or, if there is no such website, in the municipal office.

1.5 Changes to the D.C.A. - Bill 23: More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022

On November 28, 2022, Bill 23 received Royal Assent. This Bill amended a number of pieces of legislation including the *Planning Act* and D.C.A. The following provides a summary of the changes to the D.C.A.:



1.5.1 Additional Residential Unit Exemption

The rules for these exemptions are now provided in the D.C.A., rather than the regulations and are summarized as follows:

- Exemption for residential units in existing rental residential buildings For rental residential buildings with four or more residential units, the greater of one unit or 1% of the existing residential units will be exempt from D.C.
- Exemption for additional residential units in existing and new residential buildings
 - The following developments will be exempt from a D.C.:
 - A second unit in a detached, semi-detached, or rowhouse if all buildings and ancillary structures cumulatively contain no more than one residential unit;
 - A third unit in a detached, semi-detached, or rowhouse if no buildings or ancillary structures contain any residential units; and
 - One residential unit in a building or structure ancillary to a detached, semidetached, or rowhouse on a parcel of urban land, if the detached, semidetached, or rowhouse contains no more than two residential units and no other buildings or ancillary structures contain any residential units.

1.5.2 Removal of Housing as an Eligible D.C. Service

Housing is removed as an eligible service as of November 28, 2022. Municipalities with by-laws that include a charge for housing services can no longer collect for this service. It is noted that the charge for housing services is still applicable where rates have been frozen for the purposes of instalment payments under the D.C.A.

1.5.3 New Statutory Exemption for Non-Profit Housing

Non-profit housing units are exempt from D.C.s and D.C. instalment payments due after November 28, 2022.

1.5.4 New Statutory Exemptions for Affordable Units, Attainable Units, and Affordable Inclusionary Zoning Units

Affordable units, attainable units, and inclusionary zoning units (affordable) are exempt from the payment of D.C.s, as follows:



- Affordable Rental Units: Where rent is no more than 80% of the average market rent as defined by a new bulletin published by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.
- Affordable Owned Units: Where the price of the unit is no more than 80% of the average purchase price as defined by a new bulletin published by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Note: As discussed in Section 1.5.13, the definitions above of an Affordable Rental Unit and Affordable Owned Unit have been modified through Bill 134

 Attainable Units: Excludes affordable units and rental units; will be defined as prescribed development or class of development and sold to a person who is at "arm's length" from the seller.

Note: for affordable and attainable units, the municipality shall enter into an agreement that ensures the unit remains affordable or attainable for 25 years.

Note: the above Affordable Owned and Rental Unit exemptions came into force as of June 1, 2024. At the time of writing, it is not known when the exemption for Attainable Units will be in force.

• <u>Inclusionary Zoning Units:</u> Affordable housing units required under inclusionary zoning by-laws are exempt from a D.C.

1.5.5 Historical Level of Service Extended to 15-Year Period Instead of the Historical 10-Year Period

Prior to Bill 23, the increase in need for service was limited by the average historical level of service calculated over the 10-year period preceding the preparation of the D.C. background study. This average is now extended to the historical 15-year period.

1.5.6 Revised Definition of Capital Costs

The definition of capital costs has been revised to remove studies. Further, the regulations to the Act may prescribe services for which land or an interest in land will be restricted. As at the time of writing, no services have been prescribed.



1.5.7 Mandatory Phase-in of a D.C.

For all D.C. by-laws passed after January 1, 2022, the charge must be phased-in annually over the first five years the by-law is in force, as follows:

- Year 1 80% of the maximum charge;
- Year 2 85% of the maximum charge;
- Year 3 90% of the maximum charge;
- Year 4 95% of the maximum charge; and
- Year 5 to expiry 100% of the maximum charge.

1.5.8 D.C. By-law Expiry

A D.C. by-law now expires 10 years after the day it comes into force (unless the by-law provides for an earlier expiry date). This extends the by-law's life from five (5) years, prior to Bill 23.

1.5.9 Installment Payments

Non-profit housing development has been removed from the instalment payment section of the Act (section 26.1), as these units are now exempt from the payment of a D.C.

1.5.10 Rental Housing Discount

The D.C. payable for rental housing development will be reduced based on the number of bedrooms in each unit as follows:

- Three or more bedrooms 25% reduction;
- Two bedrooms 20% reduction; and
- All other bedroom quantities 15% reduction.

1.5.11 Maximum Interest Rate for Instalments and Determination of Charge for Eligible Site Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications

No maximum interest rate was previously prescribed. As per Bill 23, the maximum interest rate is set at the average prime rate plus 1%. This maximum interest rate



provision would apply to all instalment payments and eligible site plan and zoning bylaw amendment applications occurring after November 28, 2022.

1.5.12 Requirement to Allocate Funds Received

Annually, beginning in 2023, municipalities are required to spend or allocate at least 60% of the monies in a reserve fund at the beginning of the year for water, wastewater, and services related to a highway. Other services may be prescribed by the regulation.

1.5.13 Bill 134: Affordable Homes and Good Jobs Act, 2023

The exemption for affordable residential units was included in the More Homes Built Faster Act (Bill 23), enacted by the Province on November 28, 2022. Under this legislation, affordable residential units were defined within subsection 4.1 of the D.C.A. and exemptions for D.C.s were provided in respect of this definition. While the legislation was enacted in November 2022, the ability for municipalities to implement the exemptions is based on the "Affordable Residential Units for the Purposes of the Development Charges Act, 1997 Bulletin" published by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. This bulletin informs the average market rent and purchase price to be used in determining which developments qualify as affordable residential units. This bulletin was published on April 5, 2024.

Bill 134 received Royal Assent on December 4, 2023 and provides for a modification to the affordable residential unit definition by:

- Introducing an income-based test for affordable rent and purchase price; and
- Increasing the threshold for the market test of affordable rent and purchase price.

This change provides the exemption based on the lesser of the two measures. Moreover, the rules in subsection 4.1 of the D.C.A. are unchanged with respect to:

- The tenant and purchaser transacting the affordable unit being at arm's length;
- The intent of maintaining the affordable residential unit definition for a 25-year period, requiring an agreement with the municipality (which may be registered on title); and
- Exemptions for attainable residential units and associated rules (requiring further regulations).



The following table provides a comparison of the definitions provided through Bill 23 and those provided through Bill 134 (underlining added for emphasis).

Item	Bill 23 Definition	Bill 134 Definition (Current D.C.A. Definition)
Affordable residential unit rent (subsection 4.1 (2), para. 1)	The rent is no greater than 80 per cent of the average market rent, as determined in accordance with subsection (5).	The rent is no greater than the lesser of, i. the income-based affordable rent for the residential unit set out in the Affordable Residential Units bulletin, as identified by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing in accordance with subsection (5), and ii. the average market rent identified for the residential unit set out in the Affordable Residential Units bulletin.
Average market rent/rent based on income (subsection 4.1 (5)) for the purposes of subsection 4.1 (2), para. 1	The average market rent for the year in which the residential unit is occupied by a tenant, as identified in the bulletin entitled the "Affordable Residential Units for the Purposes of the Development Charges Act, 1997 Bulletin."	The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing shall, (a) determine the income of a household that, in the Minister's opinion, is at the 60 th percentile of gross annual incomes for renter households in the applicable local municipality; and (b) identify the rent that, in the Minister's opinion, is equal to 30 per cent of the income of the household referred to in clause (a).
Affordable residential unit ownership (subsection 4.1 (3), para. 1)	The price of the residential unit is no greater than <u>80</u> per cent of the average purchase price, as determined in accordance with subsection (6).	The price of the residential unit is no greater than the lesser of, i. the income-based affordable purchase price for the residential unit set out in the Affordable Residential



Item	Bill 23 Definition	Bill 134 Definition (Current D.C.A. Definition)
		Units bulletin, as identified by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing in accordance with subsection (6), and ii. 90 per cent of the average purchase price identified for the residential unit set out in the Affordable Residential Units bulletin.
Average market purchase price/purchase price based on income (subsection 4.1 (6)) for the purposes of subsection 4.1 (3), para. 1	The average purchase price for the year in which the residential unit is sold, as identified in the bulletin entitled the "Affordable Residential Units for the Purposes of the Development Charges Act, 1997 Bulletin," as it is amended from time to time, that is published by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing on a website of the Government of Ontario.	The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing shall, (a) determine the income of a household that, in the Minister's opinion, is at the 60th percentile of gross annual incomes for households in the applicable local municipality; and (b) identify the purchase price that, in the Minister's opinion, would result in annual accommodation costs equal to 30 per cent of the income of the household referred to in clause (a)

Note: the Affordable Unit exemption came into force on June 1, 2024.

1.6 Bill 185: Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act

On April 10, 2024, the Province released Bill 185: *Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act.* The Bill received Royal Assent on June 6, 2024. This Bill reversed many of the key changes that were implemented through Bill 23. The following sections provide a summary of the changes.



1.6.1 Revised Definition of Capital Costs

Bill 185 reversed the capital cost amendments of Bill 23 by reinstating studies as an eligible capital cost. The following paragraphs were added to subsection 5(3) of the D.C.A.:

- 5. Costs to undertake studies in connection with any of the matters referred to in paragraphs 1 to 4.
- 6. Costs of the development charge background study required under section 10.

1.6.2 Removal of the Mandatory Phase-in

As noted in Section 1.5.7 above, Bill 23 required the phase-in of charges imposed in a D.C. by-law over a five-year term for any by-laws passed after January 1, 2022. Bill 185 removed this mandatory phase-in. This change is effective for any D.C. by-laws passed after Bill 185 came into effect.

For site plan and zoning by-law amendment applications that were made prior to Bill 185 receiving Royal Assent, the charges payable will be the charges that were in place on the day the planning application was made (i.e., including the mandatory phase-in).

1.6.3 Process for Minor Amendments to D.C. By-laws

Section 19 of the D.C.A. requires that a municipality must follow sections 10 through 18 of the D.C.A. (with necessary modifications) when amending D.C. by-laws. Sections 10 through 18 of the D.C.A. generally require the following:

- Completion of a D.C. background study, including the requirement to post the background study 60 days prior to passage of the D.C. by-law;
- Passage of a D.C. by-law within one year of the completion of the D.C. background study;
- A public meeting, including notice requirements; and
- The ability to appeal the by-law to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

Bill 185 allows municipalities to undertake minor amendments to D.C. by-laws for the following purposes without adherence to the requirements noted above (with the exception of the notice requirements):



- To repeal a provision of the D.C. by-law specifying the date the by-law expires or to amend the provision to extend the expiry date (subject to the 10-year limitations provided in the D.C.A.);
- 2. To impose D.C.s for studies, including the D.C. background study; and
- 3. To remove the provisions related to the mandatory phase-in of D.C.s.

Minor amendments related to items 2 and 3 noted above may be undertaken only if the D.C. by-law being amended was passed after November 28, 2022, and before Bill 185 took effect. Moreover, the amending by-law must be passed within six months of Bill 185 coming into effect.

Notice requirements for these minor amending by-laws are similar to the typical notice requirements, with the exception of the requirement to identify the last day for appealing the by-law (as these provisions do not apply).

1.6.4 Reduction of D.C. Rate Freeze Timeframe

Bill 108 (see Section 1.4.1 above) provides for the requirement to freeze the D.C.s imposed on developments subject to a site plan and/or a zoning by-law amendment application. The D.C. rate for these developments is "frozen" at the rates that were in effect at the time the site plan and/or zoning by-law amendment application was submitted (subject to applicable interest). Once the application is approved by the municipality, if the date the D.C. is payable is more than two years from the approval date, the D.C. rate freeze would no longer apply. Bill 185 reduced the two-year timeframe to 18 months.

1.6.5 Modernizing Public Notice Requirements

The D.C.A. sets out the requirements for municipalities to give notice of public meetings and of by-law passage. These requirements are prescribed in sections 9 and 10 of O. Reg. 82/98 and include giving notice in a newspaper of sufficiently general circulation in the area to which the by-law would apply. The regulatory changes modernized public notice requirements by allowing municipalities to provide notice on a municipal website if a local newspaper is not available.



Chapter 2 Anticipated Development in the Municipality of West Elgin



Anticipated Development in the Municipality of West Elgin

2.1 Requirement of the Act

The growth forecast contained in this chapter (with supplemental tables in Appendix A) provides for the anticipated development for which the Municipality of West Elgin will be required to provide services over a 10-year (2024 to 2034) and a longer-term (2024 to 2046) time horizon.

Chapter 3 provides the methodology for calculating a D.C. as per the D.C.A. Figure 3-1 presents this methodology graphically. It is noted in the first box of the schematic that in order to determine the D.C. that may be imposed, it is a requirement of subsection 5 (1) of the D.C.A. that "the anticipated amount, type and location of development, for which development charges can be imposed, must be estimated."

2.2 Basis of Population, Household and Non-Residential Gross Floor Area Forecast

The D.C. growth forecast has been derived by Watson in consultation with the Municipality of West Elgin. In preparing the growth forecast, the following information sources were consulted to assess the residential and non-residential development potential for the Municipality over the forecast period, including:

- Municipality of West Elgin Draft Official Plan, July 2023 (adopted by West Elgin Council on August 10, 2023);
- Municipality of West Elgin New Official Plan Background Review, Issues and Opportunities Report, September 13, 2021, by Dillon Consulting Ltd. and Watson & Associates Economists Ltd;
- 2011, 2016 and 2021 population, household and employment Census data;
- Historical residential and non-residential building permit data over the 2014 to 2023 period;
- Residential and non-residential supply opportunities as identified by Municipality of West Elgin staff; and



 Discussions with Municipal staff regarding anticipated residential and nonresidential development in the Municipality of West Elgin.

2.3 Summary of Growth Forecast

A detailed analysis of the residential and non-residential growth forecasts is provided in Appendix A and the methodology employed is illustrated in Figure 2-1. The discussion provided herein summarizes the anticipated growth for the Municipality and describes the basis for the forecast. The results of the residential growth forecast analysis are summarized in Table 2-1 below, and Schedule 1 in Appendix A.

As identified in Table 2-1 and Appendix A – Schedule 1, population in the Municipality of West Elgin (excluding census undercount) is anticipated to reach approximately 5,650 by late-2034 and 6,250 by mid-2046, resulting in an increase of approximately 490 and 1,090 persons, respectively. [1]

^[1] The population figures used in the calculation of the 2024 D.C. exclude the net Census undercount, which is estimated at approximately 4.0%. Population figures presented herein have been rounded.



Figure 2-1
Population and Household Forecast Model

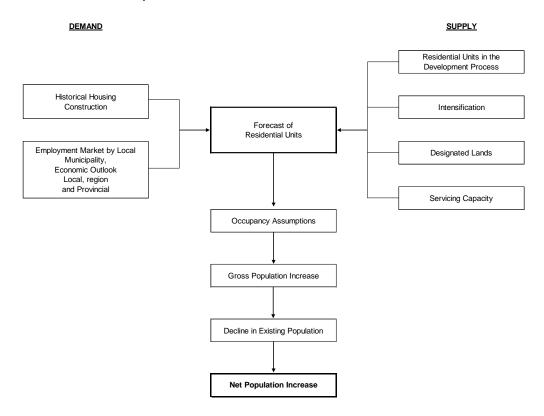




Table 2-1 Municipality of West Elgin Residential Growth Forecast Summary

			Exclud	ing Census Unde	ercount			Housing	Units			Person Per
	Year	Population (Including Census Undercount) [1]	Population	Institutional Population	Population Excluding Institutional Population	Singles & Semi- Detached	Multiple Dwellings ^[2]	Apartments ^[3]	Other	Total Households	Equivalent Institutional Households	Unit (P.P.U.): Total Population/ Total Households
_	Mid 2011	5,360	5,157	42	5,115	1,925	49	118	14	2,106	38	2.449
Historical	Mid 2016	5,190	4,995	80	4,915	1,910	30	160	10	2,110	73	2.367
I	Mid 2021	5,260	5,060	80	4,980	1,935	30	135	0	2,100	73	2.410
st	Late 2024	5,370	5,162	82	5,080	1,981	58	135	0	2,174	75	2.374
Forecast	Late 2034	5,880	5,653	87	5,566	2,200	149	180	0	2,529	79	2.235
	Mid 2046	6,500	6,252	97	6,155	2,452	258	240	0	2,950	88	2.119
	Mid 2011 - Mid 2016	-170	-162	38	-200	-15	-19	42	-4	4	35	
tal	Mid 2016 - Mid 2021	70	65	0	65	25	0	-25	-10	-10	0	
Incremental	Mid 2021 - Late 2024	110	102	2	100	46	28	0	0	74	2	
<u> 2</u>	Late 2024 - Late 2034	510	491	5	486	219	91	45	0	355	4	
	Late 2024 - Mid 2046	1,130	1,090	15	1,075	471	200	105	0	776	13	

^[1] Population includes the Census undercount estimated at approximately 4.0% and has been rounded.

Notes:

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

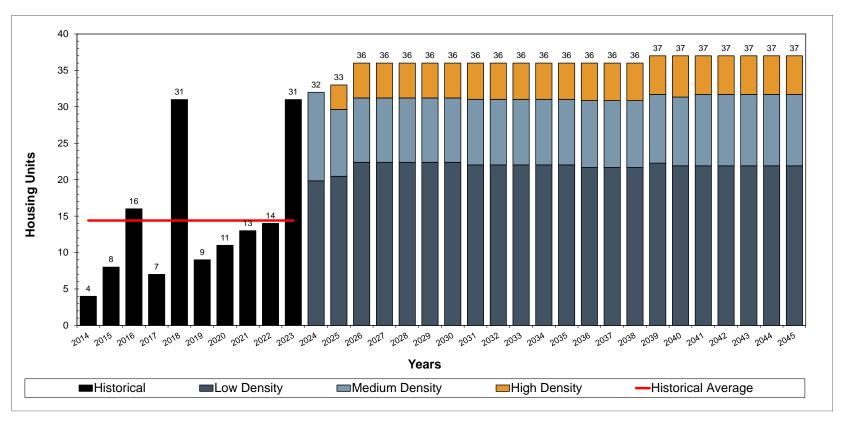
Source: Derived from the Municipality of West Elgin Official Plan, July 2023, and the New Official Plan Background Review, Issues and Opportunities Report, September 13, 2021, by Dillon Consulting Ltd. and Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.

^[2] Includes Municipality houses and apartments in duplexes.

^[3] Includes bachelor, 1-bedroom, and 2-bedroom+ apartment units.



Figure 2-2 Municipality of West Elgin Annual Housing Forecast [1]



^[1] Growth forecast represents calendar year.

Source: Historical housing activity derived from building permit data for the Municipality of West Elgin, 2014 to 2023.



Provided below is a summary of the key assumptions and findings regarding the Municipality of West Elgin D.C. growth forecast:

- 1. Unit Mix (Appendix A Schedules 1, 5 and 6)
 - The housing unit mix for the Municipality was derived from a detailed review
 of historical development activity (as per Schedule 6), as well as active
 residential development applications (as per Schedule 5) and discussions
 with Municipal staff regarding anticipated development trends for the
 Municipality of West Elgin.
 - Based on the above indicators, the 2024 to 2046 household growth forecast for the Municipality is comprised of a unit mix of 61% low density units (single detached and semi-detached), 26% medium density (multiples except apartments) and 13% high density (bachelor, 1-bedroom and 2-bedroom apartments).

2. Planning Period

 Short- and longer-term time horizons are required for the D.C. process. The D.C.A. limits the planning horizon for transit services to a 10-year planning horizon. All other services can utilize a longer planning period if the municipality has identified the growth-related capital infrastructure needs associated with the longer-term growth planning period.

- 3. Population in New Units (Appendix A Schedules 2, 3 and 4)
 - The number of housing units to be constructed by 2046 in the Municipality of West Elgin over the forecast period is presented in Table 2-1. Over the 2024 to 2046 forecast period, the Municipality is anticipated to average approximately 36 new housing units per year.
 - Institutional population ^[1] is anticipated to increase by approximately 15 people between 2024 to 2046.
 - Population in new units is derived from Schedules 3, 4 and 5, which incorporate historical development activity, anticipated units (see unit mix

^[1] Institutional population largely includes special care facilities such as nursing home or residences for senior citizens. A P.P.U. of 1.100 depicts 1-bedroom and 2-or-more-bedroom units in collective households.



- discussion) and average persons per unit (P.P.U.) by dwelling type for new units.
- Schedule 7a summarizes the average P.P.U. assumed for new housing units by age and type of dwelling based on Statistics Canada 2021 custom Census data for the Municipality of West Elgin. Due to data limitations medium and high density P.P.U. data was derived from Elgin County which includes the Municipality of West Elgin and is outlined in Schedule 7b. The total calculated P.P.U. for all density types has been adjusted accordingly to account for the P.P.U. trends which have been recently experienced in both new and older units. Forecasted 25-year average P.P.U.s by dwelling type are as follows:

Low density: 2.849Medium density: 2.347High density: 1.536

- 4. Existing Units and Population Change (Appendix A Schedules 2, 3, and 4)
 - Existing households for late-2024 are based on the 2021 Census households, plus estimated residential units constructed between mid-2021 to the beginning of the growth period, assuming a minimum six-month lag between construction and occupancy (see Schedule 2).
 - The change in average occupancy levels for existing housing units is calculated in Schedules 2 through 4.^[1] The forecast population change in existing households over the 2024 to 2046 forecast period is forecast to decline by approximately 900.
- 5. Employment (Appendix A Schedules 9a, and 9b)
 - The employment projections provided herein are largely based on the activity rate method, which is defined as the number of jobs in the Municipality divided by the number of residents. Key employment sectors include primary, industrial, commercial/population-related, institutional, and work at home, which are considered individually below.

^[1] Change in occupancy levels for existing households occurs due to aging of the population and family life cycle changes, lower fertility rates and changing economic conditions.



- 2016 employment data [1],[2] (place of work) for the Municipality of West Elgin is outlined in Schedule 9a. The 2016 employment base is comprised of the following sectors:
 - 110 primary (8%);
 - 250 work at home employment (19%);
 - 460 industrial (35%);
 - o 285 commercial/population-related (22%); and
 - 205 institutional (16%).
- The 2016 employment by usual place of work, including work at home, is 1,528. An additional 260 employees have been identified for the Municipality of West Elgin in 2016 that have no fixed place of work (N.F.P.O.W.).^[3]
- Total employment, including work at home and N.F.P.O.W. for the Municipality of West Elgin is anticipated to reach approximately 2,360 by late-2034 and 3,000 by mid-2046. This represents an employment increase of approximately 540 for the 10-year forecast period and 1,180 for the longerterm forecast period.
- Schedule 9b, Appendix A, summarizes the employment forecast, excluding work at home employment and N.F.P.O.W. employment, which is the basis for the D.C. employment forecast. The impact on municipal services from work at home employees has already been included in the population forecast. The need for municipal services related to N.F.P.O.W. employees has largely been included in the employment forecast by usual place of work (i.e., employment and gross floor area generated from N.F.P.O.W. construction employment). Furthermore, since these employees have no fixed work address, they cannot be captured in the non-residential G.F.A. calculation. Accordingly, work at home and N.F.P.O.W. employees have been removed from the D.C.A. employment forecast and calculation.

^{[1] 2016} employment is based on Statistics Canada 2016 Place of Work Employment dataset by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.

^[2] Statistics Canada 2021 Census place of work employment data has been reviewed. The 2021 Census employment results have not been utilized due to a significant increase in work at home employment captured due to Census enumeration occurring during the provincial COVID-19 lockdown from April 1, 2021 to June 14, 2021.
[3] No fixed place of work is defined by Statistics Canada as "persons who do not go from home to the same workplace location at the beginning of each shift. Such persons include building and landscape contractors, travelling salespersons, independent truck drivers, etc."



- Total employment for the Municipality of West Elgin (excluding work at home and N.F.P.O.W. employment) is anticipated to reach approximately 1,620 by late-2034 and 2,070 by mid-2046. This represents an employment increase of approximately 380 for the 10-year forecast period and 830 for the longerterm forecast period. [1]
- 6. Non-Residential Sq.ft. Estimates (G.F.A.), Appendix A Schedule 9b)
 - Square footage estimates were calculated in Schedule 9b based on the following employee density assumptions:
 - o 3,000 sq.ft. per employee for primary;
 - 1,500 sq.ft. per employee for industrial;
 - o 500 sq.ft. per employee for commercial/population-related; and
 - o 685 sq.ft. per employee for institutional employment.
 - The Municipal-wide incremental G.F.A. is anticipated to increase by 540,300 sq.ft. over the 10-year forecast period and 1,174,700 sq.ft. over the longer-term forecast period.
 - In terms of percentage growth, the 2024 to 2046 incremental G.F.A. forecast by sector is broken down as follows:
 - Primary 36%
 - industrial 51%;
 - o commercial/population-related 10%; and
 - o institutional − 3%.

^[1] G.F.A. and employment associated within special care institutional dwellings treated as residential, resulting in an institutional employment difference between Schedules 9a and 9b. Total employment growth in Schedule 9b (excluding work at home and N.F.P.O.W. employment) has been downwardly adjusted to account for institutional employment associated with special care facilities. Total employment in Schedule 9b is anticipated to reach approximately 1,620 by late-2034 and 2,060 by mid-2046.



Chapter 3 The Approach to the Calculation of the Charge



3. The Approach to the Calculation of the Charge

3.1 Introduction

This chapter addresses the requirements of subsection 5 (1) of the D.C.A. with respect to the establishment of the need for service which underpins the D.C. calculation. These requirements are illustrated schematically in Figure 3-1.

3.2 Services Potentially Involved

Table 3-1 lists the full range of municipal services that are provided within the Municipality.

A number of these services are not listed as an eligible service for inclusion in the D.C. by-law as per subsection 2 (4) of the D.C.A. These are shown as "ineligible" on Table 3-1. Two ineligible costs defined in subsection 5 (3) of the D.C.A. are "computer equipment" and "rolling stock with an estimated useful life of (less than) seven years." In addition, local roads are covered separately under subdivision agreements and related means (as are other local services). Services that are potentially eligible for inclusion in the Municipality's D.C. are indicated with a "Yes."

3.3 Increase in the Need for Service

The D.C. calculation commences with an estimate of "the increase in the need for service attributable to the anticipated development," for each service to be covered by the by-law. There must be some form of link or attribution between the anticipated development and the estimated increase in the need for service. While the need could conceivably be expressed generally in terms of units of capacity, subsection 5 (1) 3, which requires that Council indicate that it intends to ensure that such an increase in need will be met, suggests that a project-specific expression of need would be most appropriate.



Figure 3-1
The Process of Calculating a Development Charge under the Act that Must be Followed

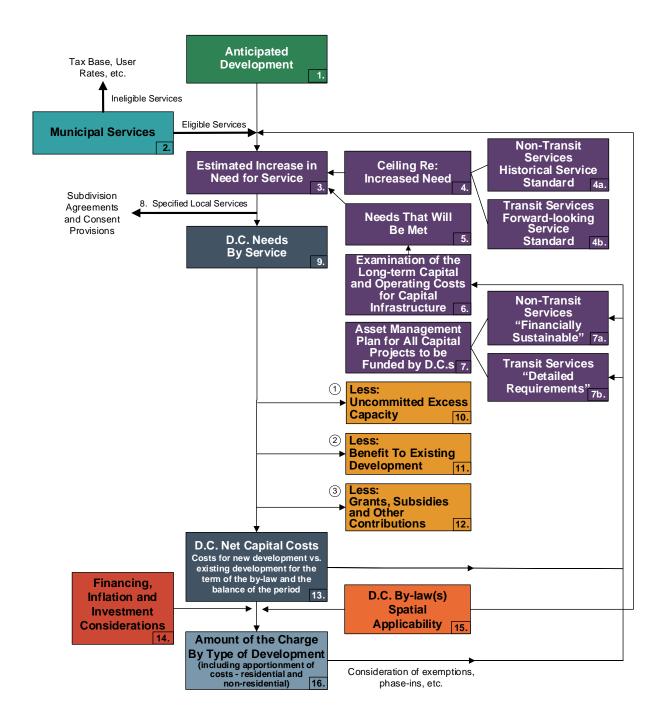




Table 3-1 Categories of Municipal Services to be Addressed as Part of the Calculation

Eligibility for Inclusion in the D.C. Calculation	Description
Yes	Municipality provides the service – service has been included in the D.C. calculation.
No	Municipality provides the service – service has not been included in the D.C. calculation.
n/a	Municipality does not provide the service.
Ineligible	Service is ineligible for inclusion in the D.C. calculation.

Μι	Categories of unicipal Services	Eligibility for Inclusion in the D.C. Calculation		Service Components	Maximum Potential D.C. Recovery %
		No	1.1	Arterial roads	100
		Yes	1.2	Collector roads	100
1.	Services	Yes	1.3	Bridges, culverts and	
١.	Related to a			roundabouts	100
	Highway	No	1.4	Local municipal roads	0
	Tilgilway	n/a	1.5	Traffic signals	100
		Yes	1.6	Sidewalks and streetlights	100
		Yes	1.7	Active transportation	100
		n/a	2.1	Transit vehicles ¹ & facilities	100
		n/a	2.2	Other transit infrastructure	100
		Ineligible	2.3	Municipal parking spaces -	
				indoor	0
2.	Other	Ineligible	2.4	Municipal parking spaces -	
	Transportation			outdoor	0
	Services	Yes		Works yards _.	100
		Yes	2.6	Rolling stock ¹	100
		n/a	2.7	Ferries	100
		n/a	2.8	Airport (Waterloo Region only)	100
3.	Stormwater	No	3.1	Main channels and drainage	100
	Drainage and			trunks	
	Control	No	3.2	Channel connections	100
	Services	No	3.3	Retention/detention ponds	100

¹with 7+ year life-time



	Categories of Inicipal Services	Eligibility for Inclusion in the D.C. Calculation		Service Components	Maximum Potential D.C. Recovery %
		Yes	4.1	Fire stations	100
4.	Fire Protection Services	Yes	4.2	Fire pumpers, aerials and rescue vehicles ¹	100
	Services	Yes	4.3		100
		Ineligible	5.1	Acquisition of land for parks,	0
		Yes	5.2	woodlots and E.S.A.s	100
		162	5.2	Development of area municipal parks	100
5.	Parks Services (i.e. Parks and Open Space)	n/a	5.3	Development of district parks	100
] 3.		Yes	5.4	Development of municipal-	100
		Yes	5.5	wide parks Development of special	100
		. 00	0.0	purpose parks	. 55
		Yes	5.6	Parks and trails rolling stock ¹	100
		Yes	5.7	and yards Recreation Trails	100
		Yes	6.1	Arenas, indoor pools, fitness	100
6.	Recreation			facilities, community centres,	
	Services	Yes	6.2	etc. (including land) Recreation vehicles and	100
		. 00	0.2	equipment ¹	. 55
		No	7.1	Public library space (incl.	100
7.	Library Services	n/a	7 2	furniture and equipment) Library vehicles ¹	100
		n/a	7.2	Library materials	100
8.	Emergency	No	8.1	Facility space (incl. furniture	100
0.	Preparedness	NI -		and equipment)	400
	Services	No No	8.2	Vehicles ¹ Equipment	100 100
		Ineligible	9.1	Electrical substations	0
9.	Electrical Power	Ineligible	9.2	Electrical distribution system	0
	Services	Ineligible	9.3	Electrical system rolling stock	Ö

¹with 7+ year life-time



Categories of Municipal Services	Eligibility for Inclusion in the D.C. Calculation	Service Components	Maximum Potential D.C. Recovery %
10. Provision of Cultural, Entertainment	Ineligible	10.1 Cultural space (e.g. art galleries, museums and theatres)	0
and Tourism Facilities and Convention Centres	Ineligible	10.2 Tourism facilities and convention centres	0
	No	11.1 Treatment plants	100
11. Wastewater	No	11.2 Sewage trunks	100
Services	n/a	11.3 Local systems	0
	No	11.4 Vehicles and equipment ¹	100
	No	12.1 Treatment plants	100
12. Water Supply	No	12.2 Distribution systems	100
Services	n/a	12.3 Local systems	0
	No	12.4 Vehicles and equipment ¹	100
	Ineligible	13.1 Landfill collection, transfer vehicles and equipment	0
13. Waste Management	Ineligible	13.2 Landfills and other disposal facilities	0
Services	n/a	13.3 Waste diversion facilities	100
	n/a	13.4 Waste diversion vehicles and equipment ¹	100
14 Policina	n/a	14.1 Policing detachments	100
14. Policing Services	n/a	14.2 Policing rolling stock ¹	100
Services	n/a	14.3 Small equipment and gear	100
15 Long torm Coro	n/a	15.1 Homes for the aged space	100
15. Long-term Care	n/a	15.2 Vehicles ¹	100
16. Child Care and	n/a	16.1 Child care space	100
Early Years	n/a	16.2 Vehicles ¹	100
17 Dublic Health	No	17.1 Health department space	100
17. Public Health	n/a	17.2 Health department vehicles ¹	100
18. Housing	Ineligible	18.1 Housing Services space	0
Services	Ineligible	18.2 Vehicles ¹	0

¹with 7+ year life-time



	Categories of nicipal Services	Eligibility for Inclusion in the D.C. Calculation	Maximum Potential D.C. Recovery %	
19.	Provincial Offences Act (P.O.A.)	n/a n/a	19.1 P.O.A. including By-law Enforcement space 19.2 P.O.A. including By-law Enforcement vehicles and equipment ¹	100 100
20.	Social Services	Ineligible	20.1 Social service space	0
	Ambulance Services	n/a n/a n/a n/a	21.1 Ambulance station space 21.2 Vehicles ¹ 21.3 Equipment and gear	100 100 100
22.	Hospital Provision	Ineligible	22.1 Hospital capital contributions	0
23.	Provision of Headquarters for the General Administration of Municipalities and Area Municipal Boards	Ineligible Ineligible Ineligible	23.1 Office space 23.2 Office furniture 23.3 Computer equipment	0 0 0
24.	Other Services	Yes	24.1 Studies in connection with acquiring buildings, rolling stock, materials and equipment, and improving land and facilities, including the D.C. background study cost	100
		Yes	24.2 Interest on money borrowed to pay for growth-related capital	0-100

¹with a 7+ year life-time

3.4 Local Service Policy

Some of the need for services generated by additional development consists of local services related to a plan of subdivision. As such, they will be required as a condition of subdivision agreements or consent conditions. The Municipality's detailed Local Service Policy is provided in Appendix E.



3.5 Capital Forecast

Paragraph 7 of subsection 5 (1) of the D.C.A. requires that "the capital costs necessary to provide the increased services must be estimated." The Act goes on to require two potential cost reductions and the regulation sets out the way in which such costs are to be presented. These requirements are outlined below.

These estimates involve capital costing of the increased services discussed above. This entails costing actual projects or the provision of service units, depending on how each service has been addressed.

The capital costs include:

- a) costs to acquire land or an interest therein (including a leasehold interest);
- b) costs to improve land;
- c) costs to acquire, lease, construct or improve buildings and structures;
- d) costs to acquire, lease or improve facilities, including rolling stock (with a useful life of 7 or more years), furniture and equipment (other than computer equipment), materials acquired for library circulation, reference, or information purposes;
- e) Costs to undertake studies in connection with any of the matters referred to in paragraphs a to d;
- f) Costs of the development charge background study required under section 10; and
- g) interest on money borrowed to pay for the above-referenced costs.

In order for an increase in need for service to be included in the D.C. calculation, Council must indicate "that it intends to ensure that such an increase in need will be met" (subsection 5 (1) 3). This can be done if the increase in service forms part of a Council-approved Official Plan, capital forecast, or similar expression of the intention of Council (O. Reg. 82/98 section 3). The capital program contained herein reflects the Municipality's approved and proposed capital budgets and master servicing/needs studies.



3.6 Treatment of Credits

Section 8, paragraph 5, of O. Reg. 82/98 indicates that a D.C. background study must set out "the estimated value of credits that are being carried forward relating to the service." Subsection 17, paragraph 4, of the same regulation indicates that "the value of the credit cannot be recovered from future D.C.s," if the credit pertains to an ineligible service. This implies that a credit for <u>eligible</u> services can be recovered from future D.C.s. As a result, this provision should be made in the calculation, in order to avoid a funding shortfall with respect to future service needs. There are no credit obligations to be included in the D.C. calculations.

3.7 Classes of Services

Section 7 of the D.C.A. states that a D.C. by-law may provide for any D.C. eligible service or the capital costs with respect to those services. Further, a class may be composed of any number or combination of services and may include parts or portions of each D.C. eligible service.

These provisions allow for services to be grouped together to create a class for the purposes of the D.C. by-law and D.C. reserve funds. The D.C. calculations and by-law provided herein have identified a class of service for growth studies.

3.8 Existing Reserve Funds

Section 35 of the D.C.A. states that:

"The money in a reserve fund established for a service may be spent only for capital costs determined under paragraphs 2 to 7 of subsection 5 (1)."

There is no explicit requirement under the D.C.A. calculation method set out in subsection 5 (1) to net the outstanding reserve fund balance as part of making the D.C. calculation; however, section 35 does restrict the way in which the funds are used in future.

For services that are subject to a per capita based, service level "cap," the reserve fund balance should be applied against the development-related costs for which the charge was imposed once the project is constructed (i.e. the needs of recent growth). This cost



component is distinct from the development-related costs for future forecast periods, which underlie the D.C. calculation herein.

The alternative would involve the Municipality spending all reserve fund monies prior to renewing each by-law, which would not be a sound basis for capital budgeting. Thus, the Municipality will use these reserve funds for the Municipality's cost share of applicable development-related projects, which are required but have not yet been undertaken, as a way of directing the funds to the benefit of the development that contributed them (rather than to future development, which will generate the need for additional facilities directly proportionate to future growth).

Since the Municipality does not currently have a D.C. by-law, no adjustments for reserve fund balances are required.

3.9 Deductions

The D.C.A. potentially requires that four deductions be made to the increase in the need for service. These relate to:

- the level of service ceiling;
- uncommitted excess capacity;
- benefit to existing development; and
- anticipated grants, subsidies, and other contributions.

The requirements behind each of these reductions are addressed below.

3.9.1 Reduction Required by Level of Service Ceiling

This is designed to ensure that the increase in need included in section 3.3 does "not include an increase that would result in the level of service [for the additional development increment] exceeding the average level of the service provided in the municipality over the 15-year period immediately preceding the preparation of the background study" (D.C.A., subsection 5 (1) 4). O. Reg. 82/98 (section 4) goes further to indicate that "both the quantity and quality of a service shall be taken into account in determining the level of service and the average level of service."

In many cases, this can be done by establishing a quantity measure in terms of units as floor area, land area, or road length per capita and a quality measure, in terms of the



average cost of providing such units based on replacement costs, engineering standards, or recognized performance measurement systems, depending on circumstances. When the quantity and quality factors are multiplied together, they produce a measure of the level of service, which meets the requirements of the Act, i.e. cost per unit.

With respect to transit services, the changes to the Act introduced in 2015 have provided for an alternative method for calculating the service standard ceiling. Transit services must now utilize a forward-looking service standard analysis, described later in this section.

The average service level calculation sheets for each service component in the D.C. calculation are set out in Appendix B.

3.9.2 Reduction for Uncommitted Excess Capacity

Paragraph 5 of subsection 5 (1) requires a deduction from the increase in the need for service attributable to the anticipated development that can be met using the Municipality's "excess capacity," other than excess capacity which is "committed."

"Excess capacity" is undefined, but in this case must be able to meet some or all of the increase in need for service, in order to potentially represent a deduction. The deduction of <u>uncommitted</u> excess capacity from the future increase in the need for service would normally occur as part of the conceptual planning and feasibility work associated with justifying and sizing new facilities, e.g. if a road widening to accommodate increased traffic is not required because sufficient excess capacity is already available, then widening would not be included as an increase in need, in the first instance.

3.9.3 Reduction for Benefit to Existing Development

Section 5 (1) 6 of the D.C.A. provides that, "The increase in the need for service must be reduced by the extent to which an increase in service to meet the increased need would benefit existing development." The general guidelines used to consider benefit to existing development include:

 the repair or unexpanded replacement of existing assets that are in need of repair;



- an increase in average service level of quantity or quality (compare water as an example);
- the elimination of a chronic servicing problem not created by growth; and
- providing services where none previously existed (generally considered for water or wastewater services).

This step involves a further reduction in the need, by the extent to which such an increase in service would benefit existing development. The level of service cap in section 3.9.1 is related but is not the identical requirement. Sanitary, storm, and water trunks are highly localized to growth areas and can be more readily allocated in this regard than other services such as services related to a highway, which do not have a fixed service area.

Where existing development has an adequate service level which will not be tangibly increased by an increase in service, no benefit would appear to be involved. For example, where expanding existing library facilities simply replicates what existing residents are receiving, they receive very limited (or no) benefit as a result. On the other hand, where a clear existing service problem is to be remedied, a deduction should be made accordingly.

In the case of services such as recreation facilities, community parks, libraries, etc., the service is typically provided on a Municipal-wide system basis. For example, facilities of the same type may provide different services (i.e., leisure pool vs. competitive pool), different programs (i.e., hockey vs. figure skating), and different time availability for the same service (i.e., leisure skating available on Wednesdays in one arena and Thursdays in another). As a result, residents will travel to different facilities to access the services they want at the times they wish to use them, and facility location generally does not correlate directly with residence location. Even where it does, displacing users from an existing facility to a new facility frees up capacity for use by others and generally results in only a very limited benefit to existing development. Further, where an increase in demand is not met for a number of years, a negative service impact to existing development is involved for a portion of the planning period.



3.9.4 Reduction for Anticipated Grants, Subsidies and Other Contributions

This step involves reducing the capital costs necessary to provide the increased services by capital grants, subsidies, and other contributions (including direct developer contributions required due to the local service policy) made or anticipated by Council and in accordance with various rules such as the attribution between the share related to new vs. existing development. That is, some grants and contributions may not specifically be applicable to growth or where Council targets fundraising as a measure to offset impacts on taxes (O. Reg. 82/98, section 6).

3.10 Municipal-wide vs. Area Rating

This step involves determining whether all of the subject costs are to be recovered on a uniform Municipal-wide basis or whether some or all are to be recovered on an areaspecific basis. Under the amended D.C.A., it is now mandatory to "consider" area rating of services (providing charges for specific areas and services), however, it is not mandatory to implement area rating. Further discussion is provided in section 6.4.4 of this report.

3.11 Allocation of Development

This step involves relating the costs to anticipated development for each period under consideration and using allocations between residential and non-residential development and between one type of development and another, to arrive at a schedule of charges.

3.12 Asset Management

The legislation now requires that a D.C. background study must include an asset management plan (A.M.P.) (subsection 10 (2) c. 2). The A.M.P. must deal with all assets that are proposed to be funded, in whole or in part, by D.C.s. The current regulations provide very extensive and specific requirements for the A.M.P. related to transit services (as noted in the subsequent subsection); however, they are silent with respect to how the A.M.P. is to be provided for all other services. As part of any A.M.P., the examination should be consistent with the municipality's existing assumptions,



approaches, and policies on the asset management planning. This examination has been included in Appendix F.

3.13 Transit

The D.C.A. provides for the following matters for Transit:

- The Background Study requires the following in regard to transit costs (as per subsection 8 (2) of the Regulations):
 - The calculations that were used to prepare the estimate for the planned level of service for the transit services, as mentioned in subsection 5.2 (3) of the Act.
- i. An identification of the portion of the total estimated capital cost relating to the transit services that would benefit.
- ii. the anticipated development over the 10-year period immediately following the preparation of the background study, or
- iii. the anticipated development after the 10-year period immediately following the preparation of the background study.
 - An identification of the anticipated excess capacity that would exist at the end of the 10-year period immediately following the preparation of the background study.
 - An assessment of ridership forecasts for all modes of transit services proposed to be funded by the development charge over the 10-year period immediately following the preparation of the background study, categorized by development types, and whether the forecasted ridership will be from existing or planned development.
 - An assessment of the ridership capacity for all modes of transit services proposed to be funded by the development charge over the 10-year period immediately following the preparation of the background study.
 - A forward-looking service standard (as per 6.1(2) of the Regulations):
 - The service is a discrete service.
 - No portion of the service that is intended to benefit anticipated development after the 10-year period immediately following the preparation of the background study may be included in the estimate.



- No portion of the service that is anticipated to exist as excess capacity at the end of the 10-year period immediately following the preparation of the background study may be included in the estimate.
- A detailed asset management strategy and reporting requirements (subsection 6.1 (3) of the Regulation) that includes lifecycle costs, action plans that will enable the assets to be sustainable, summary of how to achieve the proposed level of service, discussion on procurement measures and risk.

It is acknowledged that the Municipality currently utilizes the Four Counties Transit service which offers accessible and affordable transportation for residents in West Elgin, Southwest Middlesex, Newbury, and Chatham Kent (Ward 3). However no D.C. for transit services is being proposed at this time; therefore, the above calculations and reporting requirements are not applicable for this study.



Chapter 4 D.C. – Eligible Cost Analysis by Service



4. D.C. – Eligible Cost Analysis by Service

4.1 Introduction

This chapter outlines the basis for calculating eligible costs for the D.C.s to be applied on a uniform basis. In each case, the required calculation process set out in subsection 5 (1) paragraphs 2 to 7 in the D.C.A. and described in Chapter 3 was followed in determining D.C.-eligible costs.

The service component is evaluated on two format sheets:

- the service standards that provide the average historical 15-year level of service calculation (see Appendix B), which "caps" the D.C. amounts; and
- the infrastructure cost calculation, which determines the potential D.C. recoverable cost.

The nature of the capital projects and timing identified in the Chapter reflects Council's current intention. Over time, however, Municipality projects and Council priorities change; accordingly, Council's intentions may alter, and different capital projects (and timing) may be necessary to meet the need for services required by new growth.

4.2 Service Levels and Long-Term Capital Costs for West Elgin's D.C. Calculation

This section evaluates the development-related capital requirements for services related to a highway – roads and related, public works (facilities and fleet), and fire protection services over a Municipal-wide long-term planning period from 2024 to 2046.

4.2.1 Services Related to a Highway

Roads and Related

West Elgin owns and maintains 493 lane km of gravel and surface treated/asphalt roads within the Municipality. These roads have a total replacement cost of approximately \$322.90 million. Over the historical 15-year period the Municipality has provided an average level of service of 97.30 lane km of roads per 1,000 population. The level of



service provided results in a D.C. eligible amount over the long-term forecast period of approximately \$68.91 million for roads.

The Municipality also provides 16.75 km of sidewalks, 10 bridges, 26 culverts, 441 streetlights, 28 decorative streetlights in Rodney, and 12 decorative streetlights in West Lorne. Over the historical 15-year period, the Municipality provided an average level of service which equates to an investment of \$3,554 per capita. Based on the growth over the long-term forecast period, the Municipality is eligible to collect approximately \$3.87 million for sidewalks, bridges, culverts, and streetlights.

In total the D.C.-eligible amount for services related to a highway – roads and related is approximately \$72.78 million.

Based on the anticipated growth in the Municipality over the forecast period, approximately \$13.71 million of future capital has been identified for roads and related services, including various road reconstructions and upgrades, an electric vehicle charging station, new sidewalks, and a signalized pedestrian crossing. A deduction of approximately \$6.02 million has been made to account for the benefit to existing development. Further, deductions of approximately \$1.20 million and \$180,000 have been made to account for grants received for the Blacks Rd Reconstruction (401 to Johnston Line) and the electric vehicle charging station projects, respectively. Therefore, the net growth-related D.C. recoverable amount of approximately \$6.31 million has been included in the calculations.

The residential/non-residential capital cost allocation for service related to a highway – roads and related is based on the ratio of the anticipated population and employment growth over the long-term forecast period. This results in 57% being allocated to residential development and 43% to non-residential development.



Table 4-1 Infrastructure Costs Included in the Development Charges Calculation Services Related to a Highway – Roads and Related

							Les	s:	Potent	ial D.C. Recover	able Cost
Proj. No.	Increased Service Needs Attributable to Anticipated Development 2024 to 2046	Timing (year)	Gross Capital Cost Estimate (2024\$)	Post Period Benefit	Other Deductions	Net Capital Cost	Benefit to Existing Development	Grants, Subsidies and Other Contributions Attributable to New Development	Total	Residential Share 57%	Non-Residential Share 43%
1	Blacks Rd Reconstruction (Queens Line to 401) - Surface Treatment and Drainage Only (2km)	2024	225,000	-	225,000		-		225,000	128,250	96,750
2	Blacks Rd Reconstruction (401 to Johnston Line) - Urbanization (5km)	2024	8,764,500	-	8,764,50		4,149,300	1,200,000	3,415,200	1,946,664	1,468,536
3	Finney Street Extension (300m)	2025	525,870	-	525,8		-		525,870	299,746	226,124
4	West Lorne Main St Reconstruction Municipal Upgrade Component	2028	375,000	-		375,000	-		375,000	213,750	161,250
5	Electric Vehicle Charging Stations - 6	2024-2025	251,000	-		251,000	-	180,000	71,000	40,470	30,530
6	Sidewalks West Lorne (Graham Rd Continuation to Marsh, Marsh to Todd Place)	2024-2032	150,000	-		150,000	-		150,000	85,500	64,500
7	Graham St. Signalized Pedestrian Crossing	2034-2043	18,000	-		18,000	-		18,000	10,260	7,740
8	Provision for Havens Lake Road Upgrades	2034-2043	1,000,000	-		1,000,000	550,000		450,000	256,500	193,500
9	Gray Line Upgrade from Lighthouse Road to McColl Road	2034-2043	1,400,000	-		1,400,000	770,000		630,000	359,100	270,900
10	Provision for Hoskins Line Upgrade	2034-2043	1,000,000	-		1,000,000	550,000		450,000	256,500	193,500
	Total		13,709,370	-	-	13,709,370	6,019,300	1,380,000	6,310,070	3,596,740	2,713,330



Public Works (Facilities and Fleet)

The Municipality's public works department operates out of a combined space of 17,373 sq.ft. of building area, providing an average level of service of \$805 per capita (over the historical 15-year period). This level of service provides the Municipality with a maximum D.C.-eligible amount for recovery over the forecast period of \$877,319.

The public works department currently maintains an inventory of 36 vehicles and equipment with a total replacement cost of approximately \$6.71 million. This inventory provides for an average level of service of \$1,186 per capita. This level of service provides the Municipality with a maximum D.C.-eligible amount for recovery over the long-term forecast period of approximately \$1.29 million.

In total the D.C.-eligible amount for public works (facilities and fleet) is approximately \$2.17 million.

Over the long-term forecast period \$895,000 of future capital has been identified for public works services. This includes the addition of a new grader, truck upgrade, and storage improvements. Of this amount, a deduction of \$100,000 has been made to address the benefit to existing development. Therefore, the net growth-related D.C. recoverable amount of \$795,000 has been included in the calculations.

The residential/non-residential capital cost allocation for service related to a highway – public works (facilities and fleet) is based on the ratio of the anticipated population and employment growth over the long-term forecast period. This results in 57% being allocated to residential development and 43% to non-residential development.



Table 4-2
Infrastructure Costs Included in the Development Charge Calculation
Services Related to a Highway – Public Works (Facilities and Fleet)

							Less	S:	Poter	Potential D.C. Recoverable Cost			
Proj. No.	Increased Service Needs Attributable to Anticipated Development 2024 to 2046	Timing (year)	Gross Capital Cost Estimate (2024\$)	Post Period Benefit	Other Deductions	Net Capital Cost	Benefit to Existing Development	Grants, Subsidies and Other Contributions Attributable to New Development	Total	Residential Share 57%	Non-Residential Share 43%		
1	Grader	2024	650,000	-	-	650,000	-	-	650,000	370,500	279,500		
2	2 Tonne with Winter Attachements (Truck 11 Upgrade)	2024	225,000	-	-	225,000	100,000	-	125,000	71,250	53,750		
3	Public Works Shed Heated Storage Improvements	2024	20,000	-	-	20,000	-	-	20,000	11,400	8,600		
	Total		895,000	-		895,000	100,000	-	795,000	453,150	341,850		



4.2.2 Fire Protection Services

The West Elgin Fire Department operates out of a total of two (2) fire halls with a combined 11,687 sq.ft. of facility space. Over the historical 15-year period the Municipality provided an average of 2.30 sq.ft. of facility space per capita, which equates to an investment of \$1,210 per capita. Based on the anticipated growth over the long-term period, this level of service provides the Municipality with a maximum D.C.-eligible amount for recovery of approximately \$1.32 million.

The fire department has a current inventory of 7 vehicles and equipment. Over the historical 15-year period the Municipality has provided an average level of investment of \$1,102 per capita. Based on the average level of service the total D.C.-eligible amount for fire vehicles and equipment over the long-term forecast period is approximately \$1.20 million.

In addition to vehicles, the Municipality provides 262 items of small equipment and gear for the use in fire services with a total replacement cost of approximately \$1.10 million. Over the historical 15-year period the Municipality provided an average level of investment of \$215 per capita. This results in a D.C.-eligible amount of \$234,078 for small equipment and gear over the forecast period.

Based on the above, the maximum D.C.-eligible amount for recovery for fire protection services over the long-term forecast period is approximately \$2.75 million.

To service new development, the Municipality has identified a provision for additional equipment, vehicles, and facility space totalling approximately \$1.21 million. The provision has been estimated based on a new 40 ft. by 20 ft. fire station bay, a new vehicle, and 5 sets of bunker gear and equipment for new staff. No specific projects have been identified at this time, however, when project details are known, the appropriate deductions will be made. This amount has been included in the D.C. calculation for recovery.

These costs are shared between residential and non-residential growth based on the population to employment ratio over the long-term forecast period, resulting in 57% being allocated to residential development and 43% being allocated to non-residential development.



Table 4-3 Infrastructure Costs Included in the Development Charges Calculation Fire Protection Services

								Less:	Potential D.C. Recoverable Cost		
Proj. No.	Increased Service Needs Attributable to Anticipated Development 2024 to 2046	Timing (year)	Gross Capital Cost Estimate (2024\$)	Post Period Benefit	Other Deductions	Net Capital Cost	Benefit to Existing Development	Grants, Subsidies and Other Contributions Attributable to New Development	Total	Residential Share 57%	Non- Residential Share 43%
1	Provision for Additional Equipment, Vehicles, and Facility Space	2024-2043	1,211,000	-		1,211,000	-		1,211,000	690,270	520,730
	Total		1,211,000	-	-	1,211,000	-	-	1,211,000	690,270	520,730



4.3 Service Levels and 10-Year Capital Costs for West Elgin's D.C. Calculation

This section evaluates the development-related capital requirements for parks and recreation services, library services, and growth studies over a Municipal-wide 10-year planning period. Note that the growth forecast identified in Chapter 2 identifies growth from late-2024 to late-2034 which equates to 10 full calendar years of growth. As the capital needs are budgeted using calendar years, the capital needs forecast is based on the period 2024 to 2033.

4.3.1 Parks and Recreation Services

The Municipality currently has approximately 47.98 acres of parkland within its jurisdiction including the West Lorne parkland, Rodney parkland, Port Glasgow Beach, Memorial Park, and 178 Munroe St. Parkette. Over the historical 15-year period, the Municipality provided an average level of service of 9.50 acres of parkland per 1,000 population. In addition to the parkland, the Municipality also provides various amenities such as soccer fields, ball diamonds, playgrounds, a splash pad, a community pool, etc. Over the past 15 years, the Municipality has provided an average level of service of 4.40 parkland amenities per 1,000 population. The Municipality also provides for 5,477 linear meters of parkland trails, including the Miller Park trail, Water Plant trail, and Joe's Bush trails. Over the past 15 years, the average level of service was 1.06 linear meters of parkland trails per capita.

Based on the above level of service provided for parks, this equates to an investment of \$1,409 per capita. When applied over the forecast period, this average level of service translates into a D.C.-eligible amount for recovery of \$691,770.

The Municipality currently utilizes 21 vehicles and equipment to maintain the parks and recreation facilities. Over the historical 15-year period, the Municipality provided an average level of service of 4.10 vehicles per 1,000 population. Based on the growth anticipated over the forecast period, the Municipality would be eligible to collect approximately \$91,306 for parks and recreation vehicles and equipment.

Additionally, the Municipality provides indoor and outdoor recreation services in facilities totaling approximately 64,775 sq.ft. of space. The facilities include the West Lorne Community Complex, Port Glasgow Trailer Park dance hall, bingo, pavilion, and



washroom building, Rodney Recreation Centre, arena, etc. Over the historical 15-year period the Municipality provided an average level of service of 12.63 sq.ft. of space per capita. This average level of service equates to an average investment of \$8,553 per capita which translates to a D.C.-eligible amount of approximately \$4.20 million over the forecast period.

In total, the Municipality is eligible to collect approximately \$4.98 million for parks and recreation services.

Based on the projected growth over the forecast period to 2033, the Municipality has identified approximately \$1.51 million in future growth capital costs for parks and recreation services. These capital costs include a provision for additional parkland amenities and equipment, a dog park, multi-use pads, and renovations to the West Elgin Arena. Deductions of approximately \$150,000 and \$250,000 have been made to the Arena Renovation project based on monies directed from the Municipality's capital reserve, and the Kraft Hockeyville grant, respectively. Additionally, a deduction of \$180,000 has been made to account for the benefit to existing development for the multi-use pads. The resulting net-growth-related capital cost of \$925,000 has been included in the D.C. calculations.

While parks and recreation services usage is predominately residential based, there is some use of facility space and parks by non-residential users. To acknowledge this use, the growth-related capital costs have been allocated 95% to residential development and 5% to non-residential development.



Table 4-4 Infrastructure Costs Included in the Development Charges Calculation Parks and Recreation Services

					l Other Deductions	Net Capital Cost	L	ess:	Potential D.C. Recoverable Cost		
Proj. No.	Increased Service Needs Attributable to Anticipated Development 2024 to 2033	Timing (year)	Gross Capital Cost Estimate (2024\$)	Post Period Benefit			Benefit to Existing Development	Grants, Subsidies and Other Contributions Attributable to New Development	Total	Residential Share 95%	Non- Residential Share 5%
1	Multi use Pads	2025	250,000	•		250,000	180,000		70,000	66,500	3,500
2	Dog Park	2027	50,000	-		50,000	-		50,000	47,500	2,500
3	Arena Renovations (Kraft Hockeyville)	2027	1,000,000	-	150,000	850,000	-	250,000	600,000	570,000	30,000
4	Provision for Additional Parkland Amenities and Equipment	2024-2033	205,000	-		205,000	-		205,000	194,750	10,250
	Total		1,505,000	-	150,000	1,355,000	180,000	250,000	925,000	878,750	46,250



4.3.2 Library Services

The Municipality provides library services from 3,352 sq.ft. of space in the Rodney Library and West Lorne Library. The average historical level of service for the previous 15-year period has provided an average level of investment of \$480 per capita. When applied over the 10-year forecast period, this average level of service translates into a D.C.-eligible amount of \$235,793 from D.C.s for library facility services.

Library materials are provided by Elgin County; therefore, the historical level of service has not been calculated.

Through discussions with Municipal staff, no capital needs have been identified at this time for library facilities.

4.3.3 Growth Studies

Growth studies would be considered a class of service under the D.C.A. and is comprised of studies related to D.C. eligible services. The Municipality has identified the need for a Parks and Recreation Master Plan, Sanitary Master Plan, Official Plan Update, and two D.C. Studies.

The total capital costs of these studies are \$240,000. A deduction of \$45,000 has been made to account for the share of the studies that benefit existing development. In addition, a 10% deduction of \$5,000 was made for the Official Plan Update to recognize the benefit to non-D.C. services. As a result of the deductions, the net D.C.-recoverable cost to be included in the calculations is \$190,000.

These costs are shared between residential and non-residential growth based on service specific allocations over the forecast periods. For the parks and recreation master plan, capital costs have been allocated 95% to residential development and 5% to non-residential development. All other studies identified utilize the 10-year population to employment ratio to allocate the growth-related capital costs between residential and non-residential development (57%/43%).



Table 4-5 Infrastructure Costs Included in the Development Charges Calculation Growth Studies

								Le	ess:	Potential	D.C. Recovera	able Cost
Proj. No.	Increased Service Needs Attributable to Anticipated Development 2024 to 2033	Timing (year)	Service to Which Project Relates	Gross Capital Cost Estimate (2024\$)	Post Period Benefit	Other Deductions (to recognize benefit to non-D.C. services)	Net Capital Cost	Benefit to Existing Development	Grants, Subsidies and Other Contributions Attributable to New Development	Total	Residential Share	Non- Residential Share
4		0004	All D.C. Comissos	20,000			20,000			20.000	47.400	40.000
1	Development Charges Study	2024	All D.C. Services	30,000	-	-	30,000	-	-	30,000	17,100	12,900
2	Development Charges Study	2033	All D.C. Services	30,000	-	-	30,000	-	-	30,000	17,100	12,900
3	Official Plan Update	2033	All Services	50,000	-	5,000	45,000	12,500	-	32,500	18,525	13,975
4	Parks and Recreation Master Plan	2025-2028	Parks and Recreation Services	80,000	-	-	80,000	20,000	-	60,000	57,000	3,000
5	Rodney Sanitary Master Plan	2025-2028	Wastewater Services	50,000	-	-	50,000	12,500	-	37,500	21,375	16,125
	Total			240,000	-	5,000	235,000	45,000	-	190,000	131,100	58,900



Chapter 5 D.C. Calculation



5. D.C. Calculation

Table 5-1 calculates the proposed Municipal-wide D.C.s to be imposed for infrastructure services based upon a long-term forecast period for services related to a highway and fire protection services. Table 5-2 calculates the proposed Municipal-wide D.C.s to be imposed based upon a 10-year forecast period from 2024-2033 for parks and recreation services and growth studies.

The calculation for residential development is generated on a per capita basis and is based upon five forms of housing types (singles and semi-detached, multiples, apartments 2+ bedrooms, apartments studio and 1 bedroom, and special care/special dwelling units). The non-residential D.C. has been calculated on a per sq.ft. of G.F.A. basis for all types of non-residential development (industrial, commercial, and institutional).

The D.C.-eligible costs for each service component were developed in Chapter 4 for all Municipal services, based on their proposed capital programs.

For the residential calculations, the total cost is divided by the "gross" (new resident) population to determine the per capita amount. The eligible-D.C. cost calculations set out in Chapter 4 are based on the net anticipated population increase (the forecast new unit population less the anticipated decline in existing units). The cost per capita is then multiplied by the average occupancy of the new units (Appendix A, Schedule 4) to calculate the charge in Table 5-1 and 5-2.

With respect to non-residential development, the total costs in the uniform charge allocated to non-residential development (based on need for service) have been divided by the anticipated development over the planning period to calculate a cost per sq.ft. of G.F.A.

Table 5-3 summarizes the total D.C. that is applicable for Municipal-wide services and Table 5-4 summarizes the gross capital expenditures and sources of revenue for works to be undertaken during the life of the by-law.



Table 5-1 Municipality of West Elgin Development Charge Calculation Municipal-wide Services Long-Term (2024 to 2046)

		2024\$ D.CI	Eligible Cost	2024\$ D.CEli	igible Cost
SERVICE/CLASS		Residential	Non-Residential	S.D.U.	per sq.ft.
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Services Related to a Highway					
1.1 Roads and Related		3,596,740	2,713,330	5,155	2.31
1.2 Public Works (Facilities and Fleet)		453,150	341,850	649	0.29
		4,049,890	3,055,180	5,804	2.60
Fire Protection Services					
2.1 Fire facilities, vehicles & equipment		690,270	520,730	989	0.44
		690,270	520,730	989	0.44
TOTAL		\$4,740,160	\$3,575,910	\$6,793	\$3.04
D.CEligible Capital Cost		\$4,740,160	\$3,575,910		
Long-Term Gross Population/GFA Growth (sq.ft.)		1,988	1,174,700		
Cost Per Capita/Non-Residential GFA (sq.ft.)		\$2,384.39	\$3.04		
By Residential Unit Type	<u>P.P.U.</u>				
Single and Semi-Detached Dwelling	2.849	\$6,793			
Other Multiples	2.347	\$5,596			
Apartments - 2 Bedrooms +	1.870	\$4,459			
Apartments - Bachelor and 1 Bedroom	1.100	\$2,623			
Special Care/Special Dwelling Units	1.100	\$2,623			



Table 5-2 Municipality of West Elgin Development Charge Calculation Municipal-wide Services 10-Year (2024-2033)

		2024\$ D.CE	Eligible Cost	2024\$ D.CEli	gible Cost
SERVICE/CLASS		Residential	Non-Residential	S.D.U.	per sq.ft.
Parks and Recreation Services Park development, amenities, trails, 3.1 recreation facilities, vehicles, and		\$	\$	\$	\$
equipment		878,750	46,250	2,748	0.08
		878,750	46,250	2,748	0.08
Growth Studies 4.1 Growth Studies		131,100 131,100	58,900 58,900	410 410	0.11 0.11
TOTAL		\$1,009,850	\$105,150.00	\$3,158	\$0.19
D.CEligible Capital Cost 10-Year Gross Population/GFA Growth (sq.ft.) Cost Per Capita/Non-Residential GFA (sq.ft.)		\$1,009,850 911 \$1,108.51	\$105,150 540,300 \$0.19		
By Residential Unit Type	P.P.U.	\$1,100.01	V 0.110		
Single and Semi-Detached Dwelling Other Multiples Apartments - 2 Bedrooms + Apartments - Bachelor and 1 Bedroom Special Care/Special Dwelling Units	2.849 2.347 1.870 1.100	\$3,158 \$2,602 \$2,073 \$1,219 \$1,219			



Table 5-3 Municipality of West Elgin Development Charge Calculation Total All Services

	2024\$ D.C	Eligible Cost	2024\$ D.CEl	igible Cost
	Residential	Residential Non-Residential		per sq.ft.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Municipal-wide Services/Classes Long-Term	4,740,160	3,575,910	6,793	3.04
Municipal-wide Services/Classes 10 Year	1,009,850	105,150	3,158	0.19
TOTAL	5,750,010	3,681,060	9,951	3.23

Table 5-4
Municipality of West Elgin
Gross Expenditure and Sources of Revenue Summary for Costs to be Incurred over the Life of the By-law

					Sources of	f Financing		
	Service/Class	Total Gross Cost	Tax Base	or Other Non-D.C	. Source	Post D.C. Period	D.C. Rese	erve Fund
			Other	Benefit to	Other Funding	Benefit	Residential	Non-Residential
1.	Services Related to a Highway							
	1.1 Roads and Related	12,000,370	0	5,084,300	1,380,000	0	3,155,560	2,380,510
	1.2 Public Works (Facilities and Fleet)	895,000	0	100,000	0	0	453,150	341,850
2.	Fire Protection Services 2.1 Fire facilities, vehicles & equipment	605,500	0	0	0	0	345,135	260,365
3.	Parks and Recreation Services Park development, amenities, trails, recreation facilities, vehicles, and equipment	1,505,000	150,000	180,000	250,000	0	878,750	46,250
4.	Growth Studies 4.1 Growth Studies	160,000	0	32,500	0	0	95,475	32,025
Tot	al Expenditures & Revenues	\$15,165,870	\$150,000	\$5,396,800	\$1,630,000	\$0	\$4,928,070	\$3,061,000



Chapter 6 D.C. Policy Recommendations and D.C. By-law Rules



6. D.C. Policy Recommendations and D.C. By-law Rules

6.1 Introduction

Subsection 5 (1) 9 states that rules must be developed:

"to determine if a development charge is payable in any particular case and to determine the amount of the charge, subject to the limitations set out in subsection (6)."

Paragraph 10 of the section goes on to state that the rules may provide for exemptions, phasing in and/or indexing of D.C.s.

Subsection 5 (6) establishes the following restrictions on the rules:

- the total of all D.C.s that would be imposed on anticipated development must not exceed the capital costs determined under subsection 5 (1) 2-7 for all services involved;
- if the rules expressly identify a type of development, they must not provide for it to pay D.C.s that exceed the capital costs that arise from the increase in the need for service for that type of development; however, this requirement does not relate to any particular development; and
- if the rules provide for a type of development to have a lower D.C. than is allowed, the rules for determining D.C.s may not provide for any resulting shortfall to be made up via other development.

With respect to "the rules," section 6 states that a D.C. by-law must expressly address the matters referred to above re subsection 5 (1) paragraphs 9 and 10, as well as how the rules apply to the redevelopment of land.

The rules provided are based on best practices across Ontario; with consideration for the changes to the D.C.A. resulting from Bills 108, 138, 109, 197, 213, 23, 134, and 185.



6.2 D.C. By-law Structure

It is recommended that:

- the Municipality uses a uniform Municipal-wide D.C. calculation for all Municipalwide services; and
- one D.C. by-law be used for all services.

6.3 D.C. By-law Rules

The following subsections set out the recommended rules governing the calculation, payment and collection of D.C.s in accordance with section 6 of the D.C.A.

It is recommended that the following sections provide the basis for the D.C.s.:

6.3.1 Payment in any Particular Case

In accordance with the D.C.A., subsection 2 (2), a D.C. be calculated, payable, and collected where the development requires one or more of the following:

- "(a) the passing of a zoning by-law or of an amendment to a zoning bylaw under section 34 of the Planning Act;
- (b) the approval of a minor variance under section 45 of the Planning Act:
- (c) a conveyance of land to which a by-law passed under subsection 50(7) of the Planning Act applies;
- (d) the approval of a plan of subdivision under section 51 of the Planning Act;
- (e) a consent under section 53 of the Planning Act;
- (f) the approval of a description under section 9 of the Condominium Act, 1998; or
- (g) the issuing of a permit under the Building Code Act, 1992 in relation to a building or structure."



6.3.2 Determination of the Amount of the Charge

The following conventions be adopted:

- 1) Costs allocated to residential uses will be assigned to different types of residential units based on the average occupancy for each housing type constructed during the previous decade. Costs allocated to non-residential uses will be assigned based on the number of square feet of G.F.A. constructed for eligible uses (i.e., industrial, commercial, and institutional).
- 2) Costs allocated to residential and non-residential uses are based upon a number of conventions, as may be suited to each municipal circumstance, e.g.
 - for parks and recreation services a 5% non-residential attribution has been made to recognize use by the non-residential sector;
 - for services related to a highway and fire protection services a 57% residential/43% non-residential attribution has been made based on a population vs. employment growth ratio over the long-term (2024 to 2046) forecast period; and
 - for growth studies, service-related population vs. employment growth ratios have been utilized to attribute the residential and non-residential costs for each study.

6.3.3 Application to Redevelopment of Land (Demolition and Conversion)

If a development involves the demolition and replacement of a building or structure on the same site (within 5 years prior to the date of payment of development charges in regard to such redevelopment was, or is to be demolished, in whole or in part), or the conversion from one principal use to another, the developer shall be allowed a credit equivalent to:

- 1) the number of dwelling units demolished/converted multiplied by the applicable residential D.C. in place at the time the D.C. is payable; and/or
- the G.F.A. of the building demolished/converted multiplied by the current nonresidential D.C. in place at the time the D.C. is payable;



provided that such amounts shall not exceed, in total, the amount of the development charges otherwise payable with respect to the redevelopment.

6.3.4 Exemptions (full or partial)

- a) Statutory exemptions:
 - industrial building additions of up to and including 50% of the existing G.F.A. (defined in O. Reg. 82/98, section 1) of the building; for industrial building additions that exceed 50% of the existing G.F.A., only the portion of the addition in excess of 50% is subject to D.C.s (subsection 4 (3) of the D.C.A.);
 - buildings or structures owned by and used for the purposes of any municipality, local board, or Board of Education (section 3);
 - may add up to 2 apartments in an existing or new detached, semi-detached, or rowhouse (including in an ancillary structure);
 - add one additional unit or 1% of existing units in an existing rental residential building;
 - a university in Ontario that receives direct, regular, and ongoing operating funding from the Government of Ontario;
 - affordable units;
 - attainable units (to be in force at a later date);
 - affordable inclusionary zoning units;
 - non-profit housing; and
 - discount for rental housing units based on bedroom size (i.e. three or more bedrooms – 25% reduction, two bedrooms – 20% reduction, and all others – 15% reduction).
- b) Non-statutory exemptions for Council consideration:
 - lands, buildings, or structures used or to be used for a place of worship or for the purposes of a cemetery or burial ground exempt from taxation under the Assessment Act, R.S.O. 1990; and
 - the development of non-residential farm buildings constructed for bona fide farming uses.



6.3.5 Timing of Collection

The D.C.s for all services and classes are payable upon issuance of a building permit for each dwelling unit, building, or structure, subject to early or late payment agreements entered into by the Municipality and an owner under s. 27 of the D.C.A.

Rental housing and institutional developments will pay D.C.s in 6 equal annual payments commencing at occupancy.

Moreover, the D.C. amount for all developments occurring within 18 months of a Site Plan or Zoning By-law Amendment planning approval (for applications submitted after January 1, 2020), shall be determined based on the D.C. in effect on the day the applicable Site Plan or Zoning By-law Amendment application was submitted (as a complete application).

Installment payments and payments determined at the time of Site Plan or Zoning Bylaw Amendment application are subject to annual interest charges. The maximum interest rate the Municipality can impose is the average prime rate plus 1%.

6.3.6 The Applicable Areas

The charges developed herein provide for charges within the Municipality, as follows:

• All Municipal-wide services – the full residential and non-residential charge will be imposed on all lands within the Municipality.

6.3.7 Indexing

Indexing of the D.C.s shall be implemented on a mandatory basis annually commencing on January 1, 2025, and each January 1st thereafter, in accordance with the Statistics Canada Quarterly, Non-Residential Building Construction Price Index (Table 18-10-0276-02)¹ for the most recent year-over-year period.

¹ O. Reg. 82/98 referenced "The Statistics Canada Quarterly, Construction Price Statistics, catalogue number 62-007" as the index source. Since implementation, Statistics Canada has modified this index twice and the above-noted index is the most current. The draft by-law provided herein refers to O. Reg. 82/98 to ensure traceability should this index continue to be modified over time.



6.3.8 Transition Period for Developments

Subject to the 18 month rate freeze for applications proceeding through site plan or zoning by-law amendment noted in section 6.3.5, if a complete application for a development has been submitted prior to the date of the D.C. by-law passage, then the development included in the application would not be subject to a D.C. if a building permit is issued within 6 months of the D.C. by-law passage.

6.4 Other D.C. By-law Provisions

It is recommended that:

6.4.1 Categories of Services for Reserve Fund and Credit Purposes

It is recommended that the Municipality create new reserve funds for: Services Related to a Highway, Fire Protection Services, Parks and Recreation Services, and Growth Studies.

Appendix D outlines the reserve fund policies that the Municipality is required to follow as per the D.C.A.

6.4.2 By-law In-force Date

A by-law under the D.C.A. comes into force on the day after which the by-law is passed by Council.

6.4.3 Minimum Interest Rate Paid on Refunds and Charged for Inter-Reserve Fund Borrowing

The minimum interest rate is the Bank of Canada rate on the day the by-law comes into force updated on the first business day of every January, April, July and October (as per section 11 of O. Reg. 82/98).

6.4.4 Area Rating

The D.C.A. required that Council must consider the use of area specific charges:

1. Section 2 (9) of the D.C.A. now requires a municipality to implement area-specific D.C.s for either specific services which are prescribed and/or for specific



- municipalities which are to be regulated (note that at this time, no municipalities or services are prescribed by the regulations).
- 2. Section 10 (2) c.1 of the D.C.A. requires that "the development charges background study shall include consideration of the use of more than one development charge by-law to reflect different needs for services in different areas."

In regard to the first item, there are no services or specific municipalities identified in the regulations which must be area rated. The second item requires Council to consider the use of area rating.

It is recommended that all Municipal services be recovered on a uniform, Municipal-wide basis as a result of the following:

- 1. All Municipal services, with the exception of water, wastewater and stormwater require that the average 15-year service standard be calculated. This average service standard multiplied by growth in the Municipality, establishes an upper ceiling on the amount of funds that can be collected from all developing landowners. Section 4 (4) of O. Reg. 82/98 provides that "if a development charge by-law applies to a part of the municipality, the level of service and average level of service cannot exceed that which would be determined if the by-law applied to the whole municipality." Put in layman terms, the average service standard multiplied by the growth within the specific area would establish an area-specific ceiling which would significantly reduce the total revenue recoverable for the Municipality hence potentially resulting in D.C. revenue shortfalls and impacts on property taxes.
- 2. Expanding on item 1, attempting to impose an area charge potentially causes equity issues in transitioning from a Municipal-wide approach to an area-specific approach. For example, if all services were now built (and funded) within Area A (which is 75% built out) and this was funded with some revenues from Areas B and C, moving to an area-rating approach would see Area A contribute no funds to the costs of services in Areas B and C. The D.C.s would be lower in Area A (as all services are now funded) and higher in Areas B and C. As well, funding shortfalls may then potentially encourage the municipality to provide less services to Areas B and C due to reduced revenue.



3. Many services provided (roads, parks and recreation facilities, etc.) are not restricted to one specific area and are often used by all residents. For example, arenas located in different parts of the Municipality will be used by residents from all areas depending on the programing of the facility (i.e., a public skate is available each night, but at a different arena; hence usage of any one facility at any given time is based on programming availability).

For the reasons noted above, it is recommended that Council calculate the charges on a uniform Municipal-wide basis for all services.

6.5 Other Recommendations

It is recommended that Council:

"Whenever appropriate, request that grants, subsidies and other contributions be clearly designated by the donor as being to the benefit of existing development or new development, as applicable;"

"Adopt the assumptions contained herein as an 'anticipation' with respect to capital grants, subsidies and other contributions;"

"Adopt the D.C. approach to calculate the services on a uniform Municipal-wide basis;"

"Approve the capital project listing set out in Chapter 4 of the D.C.s Background Study dated September 27, 2024, subject to further annual review during the capital budget process;"

"Approve the D.C.s Background Study dated September 27, 2024;"

"Determine that no further public meeting is required;" and

"Approve the D.C. By-law as set out in Appendix G."



Chapter 7 By-law Implementation



7. By-law Implementation

7.1 Public Consultation Process

7.1.1 Introduction

This chapter addresses the mandatory, formal public consultation process (section 7.1.2), as well as the optional, informal consultation process (section 7.1.3). The latter is designed to seek the co-operation and participation of those involved, in order to produce the most suitable policy. Section 7.2 addresses the anticipated impact of the D.C. on development from a generic viewpoint.

7.1.2 Public Meeting of Council

Section 12 of the D.C.A. indicates that before passing a D.C. by-law, Council must hold at least one public meeting, giving at least 20 clear days' notice thereof, in accordance with the Regulation. Council must also ensure that the proposed by-law and background report are made available to the public at least two weeks prior to the (first) meeting.

Any person who attends such a meeting may make representations related to the proposed by-law.

If a proposed by-law is changed following such a meeting, Council must determine whether a further meeting (under this section) is necessary (i.e. if the proposed by-law which is proposed for adoption has been changed in any respect, Council should formally consider whether an additional public meeting is required, incorporating this determination as part of the final by-law or associated resolution. It is noted that Council's decision, once made, is final and not subject to review by a Court or the Ontario Land Tribunal (formerly the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) and Ontario Municipal Board (OMB)).

7.1.3 Other Consultation Activity

There are three broad groupings of the public who are generally the most concerned with municipal D.C. policy:



- 1. The first grouping is the residential development community, consisting of land developers and builders, who are typically responsible for generating the majority of the D.C. revenues. Others, such as realtors, are directly impacted by D.C. policy. They are, therefore, potentially interested in all aspects of the charge, particularly the quantum by unit type, projects to be funded by the D.C. and the timing thereof, and Municipality policy with respect to development agreements, D.C. credits, and front-ending requirements.
- 2. The second public grouping embraces the public at large and includes taxpayer coalition groups and others interested in public policy.
- 3. The third grouping is the industrial/commercial/institutional development sector, consisting of land developers and major owners or organizations with significant construction plans, such as hotels, entertainment complexes, shopping centres, offices, industrial buildings, and institutions. Also involved are organizations such as Industry Associations, the Chamber of Commerce, the Board of Trade, and the Economic Development Agencies, who are all potentially interested in Municipality D.C. policy. Their primary concern is frequently with the quantum of the charge, G.F.A. exclusions such as basements, mechanical or indoor parking areas, or exemptions and phase-in or capping provisions in order to moderate the impact.

7.2 Anticipated Impact of the Charge on Development

The establishment of sound D.C. policy often requires the achievement of an acceptable balance between two competing realities. The first is that high non-residential D.C.s can, to some degree, represent a barrier to increased economic activity and sustained industrial/commercial growth, particularly for capital intensive uses. Also, in many cases, increased residential D.C.s can ultimately be expected to be recovered via higher housing prices and can impact project feasibility in some cases (e.g. rental apartments).

On the other hand, D.C.s or other Municipality capital funding sources need to be obtained in order to help ensure that the necessary infrastructure and amenities are installed. The timely installation of such works is a key initiative in providing adequate service levels and in facilitating strong economic growth, investment, and wealth generation.



7.3 Implementation Requirements

7.3.1 Introduction

Once the Municipality has calculated the charge, prepared the complete background study, carried out the public process, and passed a new by-law, the emphasis shifts to implementation matters. These include notices, potential appeals and complaints, credits, front-ending agreements, subdivision agreement conditions, and finally the collection of revenues and funding of projects.

The sections that follow present an overview the requirements in each case.

7.3.2 Notice of Passage

In accordance with section 13 of the D.C.A., when a D.C. by-law is passed, the Municipality Clerk shall give written notice of the passing and of the last day for appealing the by-law (the day that is 40 days after the day it was passed). Such notice must be given no later than 20 days after the day the by-law is passed (i.e. as of the day of newspaper publication or the mailing of the notice).

Section 10 of O. Reg. 82/98 further defines the notice requirements which are summarized as follows:

- notice may be given by publication in a newspaper which is (in the Clerk's opinion) of sufficient circulation to give the public reasonable notice, or by personal service, fax or mail to every owner of land in the area to which the bylaw relates;
- subsection 10 (4) lists the persons/organizations who must be given notice; and
- subsection 10 (5) lists the eight items that the notice must cover.

7.3.3 By-law Pamphlet

In addition to the "notice" information, the Municipality must prepare a "pamphlet" explaining each D.C. by-law in force, setting out:

- a description of the general purpose of the D.C.s;
- the "rules" for determining if a charge is payable in a particular case and for determining the amount of the charge;



- the services to which the D.C.s relate; and
- a description of the general purpose of the Treasurer's statement and where it may be received by the public.

Where a by-law is not appealed to the OLT, the pamphlet must be readied within 60 days after the by-law comes into force. Later dates apply to appealed by-laws.

The Municipality must give one copy of the most recent pamphlet without charge, to any person who requests one.

7.3.4 Appeals

Sections 13 to 19 of the D.C.A. set out the requirements relative to making and processing a D.C. by-law appeal and OLT hearing in response to an appeal. Any person or organization may appeal a D.C. by-law to the OLT by filing a notice of appeal with the Municipality Clerk, setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons supporting the objection. This must be done by the last day for appealing the by-law, which is 40 days after the by-law is passed.

The Municipality is conducting a public consultation process, in order to address the issues that come forward as part of that process, thereby avoiding or reducing the need for an appeal to be made.

7.3.5 Complaints

A person required to pay a D.C., or his agent, may complain to the Municipality Council imposing the charge that:

- the amount of the charge was incorrectly determined;
- the reduction to be used against the D.C. was incorrectly determined; or
- there was an error in the application of the D.C.

Sections 20 to 25 of the D.C.A. set out the requirements that exist, including the fact that a complaint may not be made later than 90 days after a D.C. (or any part of it) is payable. A complainant may appeal the decision of Municipality Council to the OLT.



7.3.6 Credits

Sections 38 to 41 of the D.C.A. set out a number of credit requirements, which apply where a Municipality agrees to allow a person to perform work in the future that relates to a service in the D.C. by-law.

These credits would be used to reduce the amount of D.C.s to be paid. The value of the credit is limited to the reasonable cost of the work which does not exceed the average level of service. The credit applies only to the service to which the work relates, unless the Municipality agrees to expand the credit to other services for which a D.C. is payable.

7.3.7 Front-Ending Agreements

The Municipality and one or more landowners may enter into a front-ending agreement that provides for the costs of a project which will benefit an area in the Municipality to which the D.C. by-law applies. Such an agreement can provide for the costs to be borne by one or more parties to the agreement who are, in turn, reimbursed in future by persons who develop land defined in the agreement.

Part III of the D.C.A. (sections 44 to 58) addresses front-ending agreements and removes some of the obstacles to their use which were contained in the D.C.A., 1989. Accordingly, the Municipality assesses whether this mechanism is appropriate for its use, as part of funding projects prior to Municipality funds being available.

7.3.8 Severance and Subdivision Agreement Conditions

Section 59 of the D.C.A. prevents a municipality from imposing, directly or indirectly, a charge related to development or a requirement to construct a service related to development, by way of a condition or agreement under section 51 or section 53 of the *Planning Act*, except for:

- "local services, related to a plan of subdivision or within the area to which the plan relates, to be installed or paid for by the owner as a condition of approval under section 51 of the *Planning Act*," and
- "local services to be installed or paid for by the owner as a condition of approval under section 53 of the *Planning Act*."

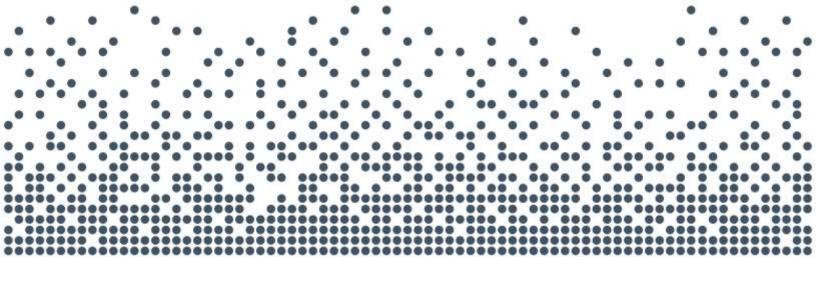


It is also noted that subsection 59 (4) of the D.C.A. requires that the municipal approval authority for a draft plan of subdivision under subsection 51 (31) of the *Planning Act*, use its power to impose conditions to ensure that the first purchaser of newly subdivided land is informed of all the D.C.s related to the development, at the time the land is transferred.

In this regard, if the Municipality in question is a commenting agency, in order to comply with subsection 59 (4) of the D.C.A. it would need to provide to the approval authority, information regarding the applicable Municipality D.C.s related to the site.

If the Municipality is an approval authority for the purposes of section 51 of the *Planning Act*, it would be responsible to ensure that it collects information from all entities that can impose a D.C.

The most effective way to ensure that purchasers are aware of this condition would be to require it as a provision in a registered subdivision agreement, so that any purchaser of the property would be aware of the charges at the time the title was searched prior to closing a transaction conveying the lands.



Appendices



Appendix A

Background Information on Residential and Non-Residential Growth Forecast



Schedule 1 Municipality of West Elgin Residential Growth Forecast Summary

			Exclud	ing Census Unde	ercount			Housing	Units			Person Per
	Year	Population (Including Census Undercount) ^[1]	Population	Institutional Population	Population Excluding Institutional Population	Singles & Semi- Detached	Multiple Dwellings ^[2]	Apartments ^[3]	Other	Total Households	Equivalent Institutional Households	Unit (P.P.U.): Total Population/ Total Households
-	Mid 2011	5,360	5,157	42	5,115	1,925	49	118	14	2,106	38	2.449
Historical	Mid 2016	5,190	4,995	80	4,915	1,910	30	160	10	2,110	73	2.367
I	Mid 2021	5,260	5,060	80	4,980	1,935	30	135	0	2,100	73	2.410
st	Late 2024	5,370	5,162	82	5,080	1,981	58	135	0	2,174	75	2.374
Forecast	Late 2034	5,880	5,653	87	5,566	2,200	149	180	0	2,529	79	2.235
	Mid 2046	6,500	6,252	97	6,155	2,452	258	240	0	2,950	88	2.119
	Mid 2011 - Mid 2016	-170	-162	38	-200	-15	-19	42	-4	4	35	
tal	Mid 2016 - Mid 2021	70	65	0	65	25	0	-25	-10	-10	0	
Incremental	Mid 2021 - Late 2024	110	102	2	100	46	28	0	0	74	2	
lnc	Late 2024 - Late 2034	510	491	5	486	219	91	45	0	355	4	
	Late 2024 - Mid 2046	1,130	1,090	15	1,075	471	200	105	0	776	13	

^[1] Population includes the Census undercount estimated at approximately 4.0% and has been rounded.

Notes:

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

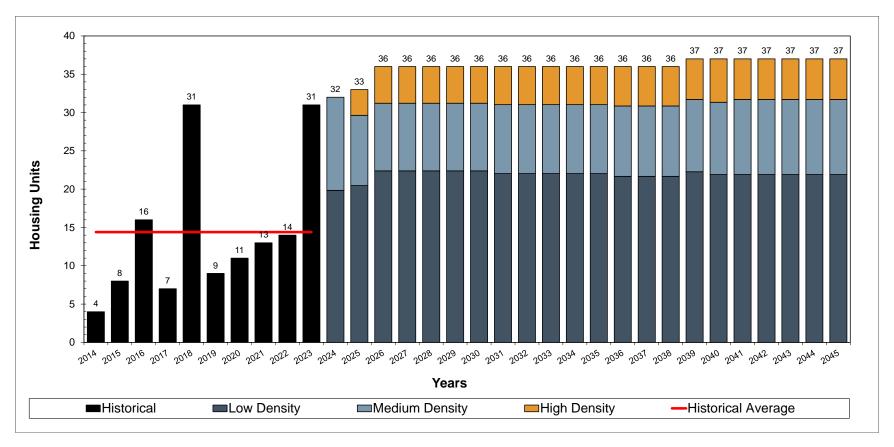
Source: Source: Derived from the Municipality of West Elgin Official Plan, July 2023, and the New Official Plan Background Review, Issues and Opportunities Report, September 13, 2021, by Dillon Consulting Ltd. and Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.

^[2] Includes Municipality houses and apartments in duplexes.

^[3] Includes bachelor, 1-bedroom, and 2-bedroom+ apartment units.



Figure 1
Municipality of West Elgin
Annual Housing Forecast [1]



^[1] Growth forecast represents calendar year.

Source: Historical housing activity derived from building permit data for the Municipality of West Elgin, 2014 to 2023.



Schedule 2 Municipality of West Elgin Current Year Growth Forecast Mid-2021 to Late-2024

			Population
Mid 2021 Population			5,060
Occupants of New Housing Units, Mid 2021 to Late 2024	Units (2) multiplied by P.P.U. (3) gross population increase	74 2.883 213	213
Occupants of New Equivalent Institutional Units, Mid 2021 to Late 2024	Units multiplied by P.P.U. (3) gross population increase	2 1.100 2	2
Decline in Housing Unit Occupancy, Mid 2021 to Late 2024	Units (4) multiplied by P.P.U. decline rate (5) total decline in population	2,100 -0.054 -113	-113
Population Estimate to Late 20	024		5,162
Net Population Increase, Mid 2	021 to Late 2024		102

^{(1) 2021} population based on Statistics Canada Census unadjusted for Census undercount.

⁽³⁾ Average number of persons per unit (P.P.U.) is assumed to be:

Structural Type	Persons Per Unit ^[1] (P.P.U.)	% Distribution of Estimated Units [2]	Weighted Persons Per Unit Average
Singles & Semi Detached	2.828	62%	1.755
Multiples (6)	2.974	38%	1.128
Apartments (7)	1.902	0%	0.000
Total		100%	2.883

^[1] Based on 2021 Census custom database.

Note: Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding.

⁽²⁾ Estimated residential units constructed, Mid-2021 to the beginning of the growth period assuming a six-month lag between construction and occupancy.

^[2] Based on Building permit/completion activity.

^{(4) 2021} households taken from Statistics Canada Census.

⁽⁵⁾ Decline occurs due to aging of the population and family life cycle changes, lower fertility rates and changing economic conditions.

⁽⁶⁾ Includes townhouses and apartments in duplexes.

⁽⁷⁾ Includes bachelor, 1-bedroom and 2-bedroom+ apartments.



Schedule 3 Municipality of West Elgin 10-Year Growth Forecast Late-2024 to Late-2034

			Population
Late 2024 Population			5,162
Occupants of New Housing Units, Late 2024 to Late 2034	Units (2) multiplied by P.P.U. (3) gross population increase	355 2.555 907	90
Occupants of New Equivalent Institutional Units, Late 2024 to Late 2034	Units multiplied by P.P.U. (3) gross population increase	4 1.100 4	
Decline in Housing Unit Occupancy, Late 2024 to Late 2034	Units (4) multiplied by P.P.U. decline rate (5) total decline in population	2,174 -0.193 -420	-42
Population Estimate to Late 20	034		5,65
Net Population Increase, Late 2	2024 to Late 2034		49

⁽¹⁾ Late 2024 Population based on:

2021 Population (5,060) + Mid 2021 to Late 2024 estimated housing units to beginning of forecast period $(74 \times 2.883 = 213) + (2 \times 1.1 = 2) + (2,100 \times -0.054 = -113) = 5,162$

⁽³⁾ Average number of persons per unit (P.P.U.) is assumed to be:

Structural Type	Persons Per Unit ^[1] (P.P.U.)	% Distribution of Estimated Units [2]	Weighted Persons Per Unit Average
Singles & Semi Detached	2.849	62%	1.761
Multiples (6)	2.347	26%	0.601
Apartments (7)	1.536	13%	0.193
one bedroom or less	1.100		
two bedrooms or more	1.870		
Total		100%	2.555

 $^{^{[1]}\,}$ Persons per unit based on adjusted Statistics Canada Custom 2021 Census database.

Note: Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding.

⁽²⁾ Based upon forecast building permits/completions assuming a lag between construction and occupancy.

^[2] Forecast unit mix based upon historical trends and housing units in the development process.

⁽⁴⁾ Late 2024 households based upon 2021 Census (2,100 units) + Mid 2021 to Late 2024 unit estimate (74 units) = 2,174 units.

⁽⁵⁾ Decline occurs due to aging of the population and family life cycle changes, lower fertility rates and changing economic conditions.

⁽⁶⁾ Includes townhouses and apartments in duplexes.

⁽⁷⁾ Includes bachelor, 1-bedroom and 2-bedroom+ apartments.



Schedule 4 Municipality of West Elgin Long-Term Growth Forecast Late-2024 to Mid-2046

			Population
Late 2024 Population			5,162
Occupants of New Housing Units, Late 2024 to Mid 2046	Units (2) multiplied by P.P.U. (3) gross population increase	776 2.542 1,973	1,973
Occupants of New Equivalent Institutional Units, Late 2024 to Mid 2046	Units multiplied by P.P.U. (3) gross population increase	13 1.100 15	15
Decline in Housing Unit Occupancy, Late 2024 to Mid 2046	Units (4) multiplied by P.P.U. decline rate (5) total decline in population	2,174 -0.413 -898	-898
Population Estimate to Mid 20	146		6,252
Net Population Increase, Late	2024 to Mid 2046		1,090

⁽¹⁾ Late 2024 Population based on:

2021 Population (5,060) + Mid 2021 to Late 2024 estimated housing units to beginning of forecast period $(74 \times 2.883 = 213) + (2 \times 1.1 = 2) + (2,100 \times -0.054 = -113) = 5,162$

⁽³⁾ Average number of persons per unit (P.P.U.) is assumed to be:

Structural Type	Persons Per Unit ^[1] (P.P.U.)	% Distribution of Estimated Units [2]	Weighted Persons Per Unit Average
Singles & Semi Detached	2.849	61%	1.730
Multiples (6)	2.347	26%	0.604
Apartments (7)	1.536	14%	0.208
one bedroom or less	1.100		
two bedrooms or more	1.870		
Total		100%	2.542

^[1] Persons per unit based on adjusted Statistics Canada Custom 2021 Census database.

Note: Numbers may not add to totals due to rounding.

⁽²⁾ Based upon forecast building permits/completions assuming a lag between construction and occupancy.

 $^{^{[2]}}$ Forecast unit mix based upon historical trends and housing units in the development process.

⁽⁴⁾ Late 2024 households based upon 2021 Census (2,100 units) + Mid 2021 to Late 2024 unit estimate (74 units) = 2,174 units.

⁽⁵⁾ Decline occurs due to aging of the population and family life cycle changes, lower fertility rates and changing economic conditions.

⁽⁶⁾ Includes townhouses and apartments in duplexes.

⁽⁷⁾ Includes bachelor, 1-bedroom and 2-bedroom+ apartments.



Schedule 5 Municipality of West Elgin Summary of Active Development Applications

0. (5.)	Density Type							
Stage of Development	Singles & Semi- Detached	Multiples [1]	Apartments [2]	Total				
Draft Plans Approved	0	26	19	45				
% Breakdown	0%	58%	42%	100%				
Application Under Review	323	153	40	516				
% Breakdown	63%	30%	8%	100%				
Total	323	179	59	561				
% Breakdown	58%	32%	11%	100%				

^[1] Includes townhomes and apartments in duplexes.

Source: Derived from Municipality of West Elgin data, by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.

^[2] Includes bachelor, 1 bedroom and 2 bedroom+ apartments.



Schedule 6 Municipality of West Elgin Historical Residential Building Permits Years 2014 to 2023

Year	Residential Building Permits								
rear	Singles & Semi Detached	Multiples ^[1]	Apartments ^[2]	Total					
2014	4	0	0	4					
2015	8	0	0	8					
2016	14	0	2	16					
2017	6	0	1	7					
2018	30	0	1	31					
Sub-total	62	0	4	66					
Average (2014 - 2018)	12	0	1	13					
% Breakdown	93.9%	0.0%	6.1%	100.0%					
2019	9	0	0	9					
2020	11	0	0	11					
2021	13	0	0	13					
2022	14	0	0	14					
2023	9	22	0	31					
Sub-total	56	22	0	78					
Average (2019 - 2023)	11	4	0	16					
% Breakdown	71.8%	28.2%	0.0%	100.0%					
2014 - 2023									
Total	118	22	4	144					
Average	12	2	0	14					
% Breakdown	81.9%	15.3%	2.8%	100.0%					

^[1] Includes Municipality houses and apartments in duplexes.

Source: Historical housing activity derived from Municipality of West Elgin building permit data, 2014-2023.

^[2] Includes bachelor, 1-bedroom, and 2-bedroom+ apartment units.



Schedule 7a Municipality of West Elgin Person Per Unit by Age and Type of Dwelling (2021 Census)

Age of		S	ingles and S	emi-Detache	d			
Dwelling	< 1 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3/4 BR	5+ BR	Total	25 Year Average	25 Year Average Adjusted [1]
1-5	-	-	-	-	-	-		
6-10	-	-	-	-	-	-		
11-15	-	-	-	-	-	2.818		
16-20	-	-	-	-	-	2.909		
21-25	-	-	-	3.000	-	3.059	2.929	2.849
26-30	-	-	-	2.455	-	2.200		
30+	-	-	1.970	2.413	3.667	2.396		
Total	-	-	2.014	2.461	3.531	2.457		

Age of		All Density Types								
Dwelling	< 1 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3/4 BR	5+ BR	Total				
1-5	-	-	-	-	-	-				
6-10	-	-	-	-	-	-				
11-15	-	-	-	-	-	2.818				
16-20	-	-	-	-	-	2.917				
21-25	-	-	-	3.000	-	3.000				
26-30	-	-	-	2.583	-	2.167				
30+	- 1.182		1.913	2.417	3.667	2.300				
Total	-	1.385	1.977	2.469	3.531	2.368				

[1] Adjusted based on historical trends.
Note: Does not include Statistics Canada data classified as "Other."
P.P.U. Not calculated for samples less than or equal to 50 dwelling units and does not include institutional population.



Schedule 7b **Elgin County** Person Per Unit by Age and Type of Dwelling (2021 Census)

Age of			Multipl	es ^[1]				
Dwelling	< 1 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3/4 BR	5+ BR	Total	25 Year Average	25 Year Average Adjusted [1]
1-5	-	-	2.000	3.364	-	2.974		
6-10	-	-	-	-	-	-		
11-15	-	-	-	-	-	1.308		
16-20	-	-	_	-	-	2.667		
21-25	-	-	-	-	-	2.063	2.253	2.347
26-30	-	-	2.154	3.357	-	2.375		
30+	-	1.111	1.867	2.992	-	2.297		
Total	0.357	1.152	1.933	3.041	4.273	2.326		

Age of			Apartme	ents ^[2]				
Dwelling	< 1 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3/4 BR	5+ BR	Total	25 Year Average	25 Year Average Adjusted [2]
1-5	-	1.143	1.846	2.400	-	1.902		
6-10	-	1.000	-	-	-	1.200		
11-15	-	1.083	-	-	-	1.316		
16-20	-	-	-	-	-	-		
21-25	-	-	1.667	-	-	1.636	1.514	1.536
26-30	-	1.333	1.769	-	-	1.537		
30+	-	1.155	1.713	3.075	-	1.521		
Total	0.533	1.150	1.717	2.930	-	1.530		

Age of			All Density Types							
Dwelling	< 1 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3/4 BR	5+ BR	Total				
1-5	-	1.238	1.922	2.922	4.409	2.772				
6-10	-	1.188	1.925	2.971	4.400	2.848				
11-15	-	1.348	1.776	2.877	4.556	2.767				
16-20	-	-	1.875	2.973	4.100	2.884				
21-25	-	1.250	1.683	2.776	4.128	2.680				
26-30	-	1.318	1.907	2.668	3.913	2.497				
30+	1.917	1.220	1.822	2.670	4.079	2.395				
Total	1.682	1.234	1.830	2.739	4.166	2.506				

Note: Does not include Statistics Canada data classified as "Other."

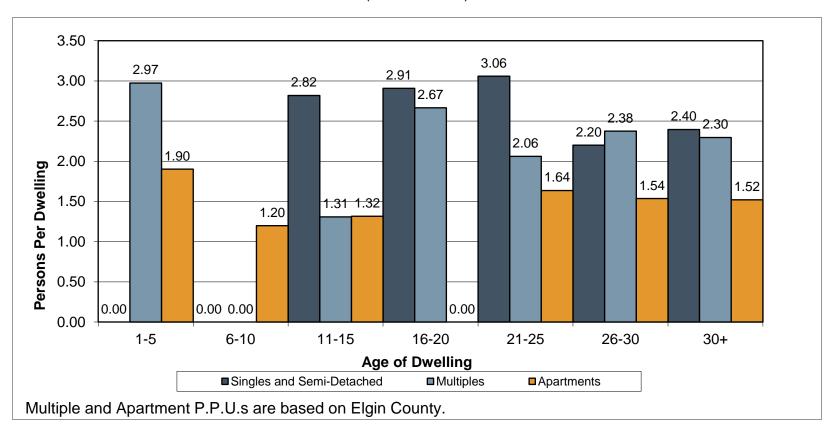
P.P.U. Not calculated for samples less than or equal to 50 dwelling units and does not include institutional population.

^[1] Includes townhomes and apartments in duplexes.
[2] Includes bachelor, 1 bedroom and 2 bedroom+ apartments.

^[3] Adjusted based on historical trends.



Schedule 8 Municipality of West Elgin Person Per Unit Structural Type and Age of Dwelling (2021 Census)





Schedule 9a Municipality of West Elgin Employment Forecast, 2024 to 2046

					Act	ivity Rate								Employment				Employment
Period	Population	Primary	Work at Home	Industrial	Commercial/ Population Related	Institutional	Total	N.F.P.O.W. ^[1]	Total Including N.F.P.O.W.	Primary	Work at Home	Industrial	Commercial/ Population Related	Institutional	Total	N.F.P.O.W. ^[1]	Total Employment (Including N.F.P.O.W.)	Total (Excluding Work at Home and N.F.P.O.W.)
Mid 2011	5,157	0.005	0.062	0.108	0.069	0.069	0.312	0.028	0.340	25	320	555	355	355	1,610	145	1,755	1,290
Mid 2016	4,995	0.022	0.050	0.092	0.057	0.041	0.262	0.053	0.315	110	250	460	285	205	1,310	263	1,573	1,060
Late 2024	5,162	0.021	0.056	0.100	0.071	0.048	0.296	0.057	0.353	110	287	518	369	245	1,528	292	1,820	1,242
Late 2034	5,653	0.031	0.065	0.086	0.083	0.048	0.313	0.066	0.379	175	368	703	472	270	1,988	373	2,361	1,620
Mid 2046	6,252	0.040	0.074	0.147	0.096	0.047	0.405	0.075	0.480	252	464	920	599	296	2,531	469	3,000	2,067
						•		Increr	mental Change	•		•	•				•	
Mid 2011 - Mid 2016	-162	0.017	-0.012	-0.016	-0.012	-0.028	-0.050	0.025	-0.025	85	-70	-95	-70	-150	-300	118	-182	-230
Mid 2016 - Late 2024	167	-0.001	0.005	0.008	0.014	0.006	0.034	0.004	0.038	0	37	58	84	40	218	29	247	182
Late 2024 - Late 2034	491	0.010	0.010	-0.015	0.012	0.000	0.017	0.009	0.026	65	81	185	103	25	460	81	541	378
Late 2024 - Mid 2046	1,090	0.019	0.019	0.047	0.024	0.000	0.109	0.018	0.127	142	177	402	230	51	1,003	177	1,180	825
								Ann	ual Average							•		
Mid 2011 - Mid 2016	-32	0.003	-0.002	-0.003	-0.002	-0.006	-0.010	0.005	-0.005	17	-14	-19	-14	-30	-60	24	-36	-46
Mid 2016 - Late 2024	21	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.002	0.001	0.004	0.000	0.005	0	5	7	10	5	27	4	31	23
Late 2024 - Late 2034	49	0.001	0.001	-0.001	0.001	0.000	0.002	0.001	0.003	7	8	19	10	2	46	8	54	38
Late 2024 - Mid 2046	51	0.001	0.001	0.002	0.001	0.000	0.005	0.001	0.006	7	8	19	11	2	47	8	55	38

^[1] Statistics Canada defines no fixed place of work (N.F.P.O.W.) employees as "persons who do not go from home to the same workplace location at the beginning of each shift. Such persons include building and landscape contractors, travelling salespersons, independent truck drivers, etc."

Notes:

Statistics Canada 2021 Census place of work employment data has been reviewed. The 2021 Census employment results have not been utilized due to a significant increase in work at home employment captured due to Census enumeration occurring during the provincial COVID-19 lockdown from April 1, 2021 to June 14, 2021.

Source: Derived from the Municipality of West Elgin Official Plan, July 2023, and the New Official Plan Background Review, Issues and Opportunities Report, September 13, 2021, by Dillon Consulting Ltd. and Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.



Schedule 9b Municipality of West Elgin Employment and Gross Floor Area (G.F.A.) Forecast, 2024 to 2046

				Employment				Gross Floor Are	ea in Square Feet	(Estimated) ^[1]	
Period	Population	Primary	Industrial	Commercial/ Population Related	Institutional [3]	Total	Primary ^[2]	Industrial	Commercial/ Population Related	Institutional [3]	Total
Mid 2011	5,157	25	555	355	355	1,290					
Mid 2016	4,995	110	460	285	205	1,060					
Late 2024	5,162	110	518	369	245	1,242					
Late 2034	5,653	175	703	472	268	1,618					
Mid 2046	6,252	252	920	599	289	2,060					
					Incremental Ch	ange			1		
Mid 2011 - Mid 2016	-162	85	-95	-70	-150	-230					
Mid 2016 - Late 2024	167	0	58	84	40	182					
Late 2024 - Late 2034	491	65	185	103	23	376	195,000	278,100	51,700	15,500	540,300
Late 2024 - Mid 2046	1,090	142	402	230	44	818	426,000	603,600	115,200	29,900	1,174,700
					Annual Avera	age	•				
Mid 2011 - Mid 2016	-32	17	-19	-14	-30	-46					
Mid 2016 - Late 2024	21	0	7	10	5	23					
Late 2024 - Late 2034	49	7	19	10	2	38	19,500	27,810	5,170	1,550	54,030
Late 2024 - Mid 2046	51	7	19	11	2	38	19,814	28,074	5,358	1,391	54,637

[1] Square Foot Per Employee Assumptions

Primary - Non-Bona Fide Farming 3,000 Industrial 1,500 Commercial/Population-Related 500 685 Institutional

Note: Numbers may not add up precisely due to rounding.

Source: Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.

^[2] Primary industry includes agriculture and resource related employment.

^[3] Forecast institutional employment and gross floor area has been adjusted downward to account for employment associated with special care units. *Reflects Late-2024 to Mid-2046 forecast period.



Schedule 10 Municipality of West Elgin Employment Categories by Major Employment Sector

NAICS	Employment by industry	Comments
	Primary Industry Employment	
11	Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	Categories which relate to local land-based resources
21	Mining and oil and gas extraction	
	Industrial and Other Employment	
22	Utilities	
23	Construction	Categories which relate primarily
31-33	Manufacturing	to industrial land supply and demand
41	Wholesale trade	uemanu
48-49	Transportation and warehousing	
56	Administrative and support	
	Population Related Employment	
44-45	Retail trade	
51	Information and cultural industries	
52	Finance and insurance	
53	Real estate and rental and leasing	Categories which relate primarily
54	Professional, scientific and technical services	to population growth within the municipality
55	Management of companies and enterprises	municipality
56	Administrative and support	
71	Arts, entertainment and recreation	
72	Accommodation and food services	
81	Other services (except public administration)	
	<u>Institutional</u>	
61	Educational services	
62	Health care and social assistance	
91	Public administration	

Note: Employment is classified by North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)

Code.

Source: Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.



Appendix B Level of Service



Appendix B: Level of Service

	SUMMARY OF SERVICE STANDARDS AS PER DEVELOPMENT CHARGES ACT, 1997, AS AMENDED													
Service Category	Sub-Component	15 Year Average Service Standard												
Sel vice Category	Sub-Component	Cost (per capita)		Quantity (per capita)	Quali	Ceiling LOS								
	Services Related to a Highway - Roads	\$63,217.00	0.0973	lane km of roadways	649,712	per km	68,906,530							
Service Related to a	Services Related to a Highway - Bridges, Culverts & Structures	\$2,817.20	0.0071	Number of Bridges, Culverts & Structures	396,789	per item	3,070,748							
Highway	Services Related to a Highway - Sidewalks	\$412.07	0.0033	km of sidewalks	124,870	per km	449,156							
	Services Related to a Highway - Streetlights	\$324.47	0.0932	No. of Streetlights	3,481	per signal	353,672							
Public Works	Public Works - Facilities	\$804.88	3.4189	sq.ft. of building area	235	per sq.ft.	877,319							
	Public Works - Vehicles & Equipment	\$1,185.70	0.0063	No. of vehicles and equipment	188,206	per vehicle	1,292,413							
	Fire Protection Services - Facilities	\$1,209.76	2.2999	sq.ft. of building area	526	per sq.ft.	1,318,638							
Fire Protection	Fire Protection Services - Vehicles & Equipment	\$1,102.04	0.0014	No. of vehicles	787,171	per vehicle	1,201,224							
	Fire Protection Services - Small Equipment and Gear	\$214.75	0.0512	No. of equipment and gear	4,194	per item	234,078							
	Parkland Development	\$472.07	0.0095	Acres of Parkland	49,692	per acre	231,786							
	Parkland Amenities	\$906.91	0.0044	No. of parkland amenities	206,116	per amenity	445,293							
Parks & Recreation	Parkland Trails	\$29.92	1.0590	Linear Metres of Paths and Trails	28	per linear m	14,691							
	Recreation Facilities	\$8,552.71	12.6272	sq.ft. of building area	677	per sq.ft.	4,199,381							
	Parks & Recreation Vehicles and Equipment	\$185.96	0.0041	No. of vehicles and equipment	45,356	per vehicle	91,306							
Library Services	Library Services - Facilities	\$480.23	0.6597	sq.ft. of building area	728	per sq.ft.	235,793							



Service: Services Related to a Highway - Roads

Unit Measure: lane km of roadways

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/ lane km)
Gravel	392	392	392	392	392	392	392	387	378	378	378	378	378	378	378	\$550,000
Surface Treatment/Asphalt	104	104	104	104	104	104	104	108	115	115	115	115	115	115	115	\$1,000,000
Total	496	496	496	496	496	496	496	495	493	493	493	493	493	493	493	
Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073	
Per Capita Standard	0.0941	0.0951	0.0962	0.0969	0.0977	0.0981	0.0988	0.0991	0.0984	0.0986	0.0975	0.0975	0.0974	0.0973	0.0972	

15 Year Average	2009 to 2023
Quantity Standard	0.0973
Quality Standard	\$649,712
Service Standard	\$63,217

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	Long-Term
Forecast Population	1,090
\$ per Capita	\$63,217
Eligible Amount	\$68,906,530



Service: Services Related to a Highway - Bridges, Culverts & Structures

Unit Measure: Number of Bridges, Culverts & Structures

Offic Micasure.	Number of Bridges	s, curverts a	Otractares													
Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/item)
Bridges	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	\$636,000
Culverts	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	\$306,000
Total	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	
Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073	
Per Capita Standard	0.0068	0.0069	0.0070	0.0070	0.0071	0.0071	0.0072	0.0072	0.0072	0.0072	0.0071	0.0071	0.0071	0.0071	0.0071	

15 Year Average	2009 to 2023
Quantity Standard	0.0071
Quality Standard	\$396,789
Service Standard	\$2,817

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	Long-Term
Forecast Population	1,090
\$ per Capita	\$2,817
Eligible Amount	\$3,070,748



Service: Services Related to a Highway - Sidewalks

Unit Measure: km of sidewalks

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/km)
Rodney	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	\$125,000
West Lorne	9.08	9.08	9.08	9.08	9.08	9.08	9.08	9.08	9.08	9.08	9.08	9.08	9.08	9.08	9.08	\$125,000
Total	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	
Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073	
Per Capita Standard	0.0032	0.0032	0.0032	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0034	0.0033	0.0034	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	0.0033	

15 Year Average	2009 to 2023
Quantity Standard	0.0033
Quality Standard	\$124,870
Service Standard	\$412

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	Long-Term
Forecast Population	1,090
\$ per Capita	\$412
Eligible Amount	\$449,156
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Service: Services Related to a Highway - Streetlights

Unit Measure: No. of Streetlights

Offic Micasure.	140. Of Otrectinght	<u> </u>														
Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/item)
Streetlights	441	441	441	441	441	441	441	441	441	441	441	441	441	441	441	\$3,000
Decorative Streetlight - Rodney	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	28	\$10,000
Decorative Streetlight - West Lorne	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	\$10,000
Total	473	473	473	473	473	473	473	473	473	473	473	473	473	473	481	
Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073	
Per Capita Standard	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	

15 Year Average	2009 to 2023
Quantity Standard	0.0932
Quality Standard	\$3,481
Service Standard	\$324

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	Long-Term
Forecast Population	1,090
\$ per Capita	\$324
Eligible Amount	\$353,672



Class of Service: Public Works - Facilities
Unit Measure: sq.ft. of building area

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Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Bld'g Value (\$/sq.ft.)	Value/sq.ft. with land, site works, etc.
Public Works Shop	9,143	9,143	9,143	9,143	9,143	9,143	9,143	9,143	9,143	9,143	9,143	9,143	9,143	9,143	9,143	\$250	\$279
Shed	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	\$250	\$279
Salt Storage	1,925	1,925	1,925	1,925	1,925	1,925	1,925	1,925	1,925	1,925	1,925	1,925	1,925	1,925	1,925	\$150	\$169
Sand Storage	3,305	3,305	3,305	3,305	3,305	3,305	3,305	3,305	3,305	3,305	3,305	3,305	3,305	3,305	3,305	\$100	\$114
Total	17,373	17,373	17,373	17,373	17,373	17,373	17,373	17,373	17,373	17,373	17,373	17,373	17,373	17,373	17,373		
Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073		
Per Capita Standard	3.2953	3.3320	3.3688	3.3925	3.4206	3.4354	3.4601	3.4781	3.4677	3.4746	3.4341	3.4361	3.4334	3,4300	3.4246		

1E Voor Averege	2009 to 2023
15 Year Average	2009 10 2023
Quantity Standard	3.4189
Quality Standard	\$235
Service Standard	\$805

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	Long-Term
Forecast Population	1,090
\$ per Capita	\$805
Eligible Amount	\$877,319



Class of Service: Public Works - Vehicles & Equipment
Unit Measure: No. of vehicles and equipment

Unit Measure:	No. of vehicles	and equipm	ent													
Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/Vehicle)
Backhoe #10 Case 580SN WT T4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$250,000
Dozer #308	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$400,000
Excavator #140	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$400,000
Grader #1, 2, 3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	\$650,000
John Deere Tractor	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$175,000
Loader #18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$200,000
Pickup Trucks	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	\$60,000
Dump Truck/Snow Plows - Single Axle	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$300,000
Dump Truck/Snow Plows - Tandem Axle	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	\$400,000
Equipment																
Vac-Trailer #19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$175,000
Chipper #16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$50,000
Scraper	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$50,000
GPS	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$25,000
Communication	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$50,000
Pressure Washer	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$10,000
Fuel Station	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$5,000
Tiger Claw Retriever														1	1	\$25,000
Electric Lift															1	\$50,000
Roadside Mowers	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$25,000
Float Trailer	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$60,000
Road Closed Trailer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	ı	2	2	2	2	2	\$7,500
Overhead Crane	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$30,000
Generator	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$75,000
Total	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	33	33	33	34	36	
Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073	

15 Year Average	2009 to 2023
Quantity Standard	0.0063
Quality Standard	\$188,206
Service Standard	\$1,186

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Per Capita Standard

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	Long-Term
Forecast Population	1,090
\$ per Capita	\$1,186
Eligible Amount	\$1,292,413



Service: Fire Protection Services - Facilities

Unit Measure: sq.ft. of building area

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Bld'g Value (\$/sq.ft.)	Value/sq.ft. with land, site works, etc.
Rodney Fire Station	6,892	6,892	6,892	6,892	6,892	6,892	6,892	6,892	6,892	6,892	6,892	6,892	6,892	6,892	6,892	\$453	\$526
West Lorne Fire Station	4,795	4,795	4,795	4,795	4,795	4,795	4,795	4,795	4,795	4,795	4,795	4,795	4,795	4,795	4,795	\$453	\$526
Total	11,687	11,687	11,687	11,687	11,687	11,687	11,687	11,687	11,687	11,687	11,687	11,687	11,687	11,687	11,687		
Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073		
Per Capita Standard	2.2168	2.2415	2.2662	2.2822	2.3010	2.3111	2.3276	2.3397	2.3327	2.3374	2.3101	2.3115	2.3097	2.3074	2.3038		

15 Year Average	2009 to 2023
Quantity Standard	2.2999
Quality Standard	\$526
Service Standard	\$1,210

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	Long-Term
Forecast Population	1,090
\$ per Capita	\$1,210
Eligible Amount	\$1,318,638



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Service: Fire Protection Services - Vehicles & Equipment

Unit Measure: No. of vehicles

Grit Wedgere.	1101 01 10111010	<u> </u>														
Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/Vehicle)
Rodney, Station #1																
Pumper 81	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$1,200,000
Tanker 82	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$750,000
Rescue 83	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$650,000
Snuffer 84	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$250,000
West Lorne, Station #2																
Pumper 91	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$1,200,000
Tanker 92	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$750,000
Rescue 93	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$800,000
Total	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	
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Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073	
Per Capita Standard	0.0013	0.0013	0.0014	0.0014	0.0014	0.0014	0.0014	0.0014	0.0014	0.0014	0.0014	0.0014	0.0014	0.0014	0.0014	

15 Year Average	2009 to 2023
Quantity Standard	0.0014
Quality Standard	\$787,171
Service Standard	\$1,102

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	Long-Term
Forecast Population	1,090
\$ per Capita	\$1,102
Eligible Amount	\$1,201,224



Service: Fire Protection Services - Small Equipment and Gear

Unit Measure: No. of equipment and gear

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Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/item)
Infrared Camera	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$12,000
Extrication Equipment	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$60,000
Compressor Air Fill Station	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	\$80,000
Fire-Extractor	-	=	-	ı	1	-	-	=	-	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$60,000
Gear Dryers	-	=	-	ı	•	-	-	=	-	-	=	2	2	2	2	\$5,000
SCBA Packs	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	\$10,500
Bunker Gear	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	\$3,000
Cyclinders	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	65	\$1,500
Mobile Radios	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	\$2,500
Hose & Appliances	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$50,000
Pagers	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	\$800
Helmets, Boots, Gloves	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	\$1,500
Defibrilators	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$2,500
Gas Detectors	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$6,000
Portable Generator	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$5,000
Total	259	259	259	259	259	259	259	259	259	261	261	263	263	262	262	
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Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073	
Per Capita Standard	0.0491	0.0497	0.0502	0.0506	0.0510	0.0512	0.0516	0.0519	0.0517	0.0522	0.0516	0.0520	0.0520	0.0517	0.0516	

15 Year Average	2009 to 2023
Quantity Standard	0.0512
Quality Standard	\$4,194
Service Standard	\$215

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	Long-Term
Forecast Population	1,090
\$ per Capita	\$215
Eligible Amount	\$234,078



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Municipality of West Elgin Service Standard Calculation Sheet

Per Capita Standard

Service: Parkland Development
Unit Measure: Acres of Parkland

Unit Measure.	Acres of Parkiand															
Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/Acre)
West Lorne Parkland	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.80	24.80	\$50,000
Rodney Parkland	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	19.98	\$50,000
Port Glasgow Beach	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	\$50,000
Memorial Park	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	\$50,000
178 Munroe St Parkette	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	\$50,000
Total	47.98	47.98	47.98	47.98	47.98	47.98	47.98	47.98	47.98	47.98	47.98	47.98	47.98	47.98	47.98	
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Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073]

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15 Year Average	2009 to 2023
Quantity Standard	0.0095
Quality Standard	\$49,692
Service Standard	\$472

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	491
\$ per Capita	\$472
Eligible Amount	\$231,786



Service: Parkland Amenities Unit Measure: No. of parkland amenities

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Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/item)
Community Pool	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$1,170,000
Rodney Fairgrounds - Pavilion	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$100,000
Rodney Playground	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$225,000
Rodney Volleyball Court	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$10,000
Rodney Skateboard Park	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$75,000
West Lorne Skateboard Park	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$75,000
West Lorne Splash Pad	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$250,000
West Lorne Park Ball Diamond	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$225,000
West Lorne Park Tennis Courts	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$90,000
West Lorne Lawn Bowling Green	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$200,000
West Lorne Beach Volleyball Court	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$10,000
West Lorne - Playground	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$225,000
West Lorne Soccer Fields	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	\$200,000
West Lorne - Miller Park Pavilion	-	•	•	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	•	-	-	1	1	\$100,000
Port Glasgow Playground	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$225,000
Port Glasgow Fish Cleaning Station		•	•	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	\$75,000
Total	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	23	23	23	24	24	
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Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073	
Per Capita Standard	0.0042	0.0042	0.0043	0.0043	0.0043	0.0044	0.0044	0.0044	0.0044	0.0044	0.0045	0.0045	0.0045	0.0047	0.0047	

15 Year Average	2009 to 2023
Quantity Standard	0.0044
Quality Standard	\$206,116
Service Standard	\$907

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	491
\$ per Capita	\$907
Eligible Amount	\$445,293

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Service: Parkland Trails

Unit Measure: Linear Metres of Paths and Trails

Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/ Linear Metre)
Miller Park Trail	-	1,487	1,487	1,487	1,487	1,487	1,487	1,487	1,487	1,487	1,487	1,487	1,487	1,487	1,487	\$45
Water Plant Trail	590	590	590	590	590	590	590	590	590	590	590	590	590	590	590	\$45
Joe's Bush Trails	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400	\$19
Total	3,990	5,477	5,477	5,477	5,477	5,477	5,477	5,477	5,477	5,477	5,477	5,477	5,477	5,477	5,477	
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Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073	
Per Capita Standard	0.76	1.05	1.06	1.07	1.08	1.08	1.09	1.10	1.09	1.10	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	

15 Year Average	2009 to 2023
Quantity Standard	1.0590
Quality Standard	\$28
Service Standard	\$30

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	491
\$ per Capita	\$30
Eligible Amount	\$14,691



Service: Recreation Facilities
Unit Measure: sq.ft. of building area

Unit Measure.	sq.n. or building a	ai C a														
Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Bld'g Value (\$/sq.ft.)
Arena	28,358	28,358	28,358	28,358	28,358	28,358	28,358	28,358	28,358	28,358	28,358	28,358	28,358	28,358	28,358	\$800
West Lorne Community Complex	4,161	4,161	4,161	4,161	4,161	4,161	4,161	4,161	4,161	4,161	4,161	4,161	4,161	4,161	4,161	\$620
Rodney Recreation Centre	12,146	12,146	12,146	12,146	12,146	12,146	12,146	12,146	12,146	12,146	12,146	12,146	12,146	12,146	12,146	\$620
Community Pool Building and Changehouse	2,675	2,675	2,675	2,675	2,675	2,675	2,675	2,675	2,675	2,675	2,675	2,675	2,675	2,675	2,675	\$400
West Lorne Lawnbowling Building	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	\$400
West Lorne Recreation Operations Building	2,530	2,530	2,530	2,530	2,530	2,530	2,530	2,530	2,530	2,530	2,530	2,530	2,530	2,530	2,530	\$400
West Lorne Scout Hall	1,310	1,310	1,310	1,310	1,310	1,310	1,310	1,310	1,310	1,310	1,310	1,310	1,310	1,310	1,310	\$400
West Lorne Park Washrooms	709	709	709	709	709	709	709	709	709	709	709	709	709	709	709	\$400
West Lorne Miller Park Pavilion	-	-	-	1	-	-	1,545	1,545	1,545	1,545	1,545	1,545	1,545	1,545	1,545	\$75
Trailer Park - Dance Hall & Bingo Hall, Pavilion																
PGTP-Dance Hall	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	\$400
PGTP - Bingo Hall	1,802	1,802	1,802	1,802	1,802	1,802	1,802	1,802	1,802	1,802	1,802	1,802	1,802	1,802	1,802	\$400
PGTP - Pavilion	3,369	3,369	3,369	3,369	3,369	3,369	3,369	3,369	3,369	3,369	3,369	3,369	3,369	3,369	3,369	\$75
Port Glasgow Washroom Building	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	\$400
Total	63,230	63,230	63,230	63,230	63,230	63,230	64,775	64,775	64,775	64,775	64,775	64,775	64,775	64,775	64,775	
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Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073	1
Per Capita Standard	11.9936	12.1270	12.2610	12.3472	12.4493	12.5035	12.9008	12.9680	12.9291	12.9550	12.8039	12.8115	12.8014	12.7887	12.7686	1

15 Year Average	2009 to 2023
Quantity Standard	12.6272
Quality Standard	\$677
Service Standard	\$8,553

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	491
\$ per Capita	\$8,553
Eligible Amount	\$4,199,381



Parks & Recreation Vehicles and Equipment Service:

> \$45,356 \$186

Unit Measure: No. of vehicles and equipment

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Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Value (\$/Vehicle)
Trailer	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$20,000
Pickup Trucks	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	\$60,000
Generators	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$75,000
Zamboni	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$175,000
Skate Sharpener	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$10,000
Floor Scrubber	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$15,000
14' Grooming Mower	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$30,000
Overseeder	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$15,000
Kubota Front loader Tractor (serial # 45732)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$58,103
Tractor with plow (serial # MT5T-2107)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$101,640
FRT Mount Mower-Side Discharge Deck	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$26,908
Kubota tractor 60" side discharge	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	\$25,000
Line Painter	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$10,000
Tractor with loader	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$40,000
John Deere Zero Turn	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$30,000
Kubota	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$25,000
Total	20	20	20	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	
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Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073	_
Per Capita Standard	0.0038	0.0038	0.0039	0.0041	0.0041	0.0042	0.0042	0.0042	0.0042	0.0042	0.0042	0.0042	0.0042	0.0041	0.0041	

F	Per Capita Standard	0.0038	0.0038	0.0039	0.0041	0.0041	0.0042	0.0042	0.0042	0.0042	0.0042	0.0042	0.0042	0.0042	0.0041
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	15 Year Average	2009 to 2023													
(Quantity Standard	0.0041													
(Quality Standard	\$45,356													

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Service Standard



Service: Library Services - Facilities
Unit Measure: sq.ft. of building area

Offic Measure.	sq.rt. or building a	ai C a															
Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Bld'g Value (\$/sq.ft.)	Value/sq.ft. with land, site works, etc.
Rodney Library, 207 Furnival Road	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	\$600	\$728
West Lorne Library, 160 Main St	1,372	1,372	1,372	1,372	1,372	1,372	1,372	1,372	1,372	1,372	1,372	1,372	1,372	1,372	1,372	\$600	\$728
Total	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352	3,352		
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Population	5,272	5,214	5,157	5,121	5,079	5,057	5,021	4,995	5,010	5,000	5,059	5,056	5,060	5,065	5,073		
Per Capita Standard	0.6358	0.6429	0.6500	0.6546	0.6600	0.6628	0.6676	0.6711	0.6691	0.6704	0.6626	0.6630	0.6625	0.6618	0.6608		

15 Year Average	2009 to 2023
Quantity Standard	0.6597
Quality Standard	\$728
Service Standard	\$480

D.C. Amount (before deductions)	10 Year
Forecast Population	491
\$ per Capita	\$480
Eligible Amount	\$235,793



Appendix C Long-Term Capital and Operating Cost Examination



Appendix C: Long-Term Capital and Operating Cost Examination

Municipality of West Elgin

Annual Capital and Operating Cost Impact

As a requirement of the *Development Charges Act, 1997*, as amended, under subsection 10 (2) (c), an analysis must be undertaken to assess the long-term capital and operating cost impacts for the capital infrastructure projects identified within the development charge. As part of this analysis, it was deemed necessary to isolate the incremental operating expenditures directly associated with these capital projects, factor in cost savings attributable to economies of scale or cost sharing where applicable and prorate the cost on a per unit basis (i.e., sq.ft. of building space, per vehicle, etc.). This was undertaken through a review of the Municipality's approved 2022 Financial Information Return (F.I.R.).

In addition to the operational impacts, over time the initial capital projects will require replacement. This replacement of capital is often referred to as lifecycle cost. By definition, lifecycle costs are all the costs which are incurred during the life of a physical asset, from the time its acquisition is first considered, to the time it is taken out of service for disposal or redeployment. The method selected for lifecycle costing is the sinking fund method which provides that money will be contributed annually and invested, so that those funds will grow over time to equal the amount required for future replacement. The following factors were utilized to calculate the annual replacement cost of the capital projects (annual contribution = factor X capital asset cost) and are based on an annual growth rate of 2% (net of inflation) over the average useful life of the asset:



Table C-1 Municipality of West Elgin Lifecycle Cost Factors and Average Useful Lives

Asset	Lifecycle Cost Factors						
ASSEL	Average Useful Life	Factor					
Water and Wastewater Infrastructure	80	0.005160705					
Facilities	50	0.01182321					
Services Related to a Highway	50	0.01182321					
Parkland Development	40	0.016555748					
Vehicles	15	0.057825472					
Small Equipment & Gear	10	0.091326528					
Library Materials	10	0.091326528					

Table C-2 depicts the annual operating impact resulting from the proposed gross capital projects at the time they are all in place. It is important to note that, while Municipality program expenditures will increase with growth in population, the costs associated with the new infrastructure (i.e., facilities) would be delayed until the time these works are in place.



Table C-2 Municipality of West Elgin Operating and Capital Expenditure Impacts for Future Capital Expenditures

		SERVICE/CLASS OF SERVICE	VALUE OF EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE	GROSS COST LESS BENEFIT TO EXISTING	SHARE OF GROWTH RELATED CAPITAL TO ASSETS IN PLACE	CURRENT OPERATING EXPENDITURES	ANNUAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES	ANNUAL LIFECYCLE EXPENDITURES	TOTAL ANNUAL EXPENDITURES
1.	Serv	rices Related to a Highway							
	1.1	Roads and Related	341,032,750	7,690,070	2%	1,160,498	26,168	247,630	273,798
	1.2	Public Works (Facilities and Fleet)	10,799,992	795,000	7%	1,330,440	97,935	50,116	148,051
2.	Fire	Protection Services							
	2.1	Fire facilities, vehicles & equipment	12,848,362	1,211,000	9%	626,419	59,042	70,357	129,399
3.	Park	s and Recreation Services							
	3.1	Park development, amenities, trails, recreation facilities, vehicles, and equipment	51,769,748	1,325,000	3%	1,531,988	39,210	51,006	90,216
4.	Grov	wth Studies							
	4.1	Growth Studies		195,000					
Tot	al .			11,216,070		4,649,345	222,356	419,109	641,465



Appendix D D.C. Reserve Fund Policy



Appendix D: D.C. Reserve Fund Policy

D.1 Legislative Requirements

The *Development Charges Act, 1997*, as amended (D.C.A.) requires development charge (D.C.) collections (and associated interest) to be placed in separate reserve funds. Sections 33 through 36 of the D.C.A. provide the following regarding reserve fund establishment and use:

- A municipality shall establish a reserve fund for each service to which the D.C. bylaw relates; subsection 7 (1), however, allows services to be grouped into categories of services for reserve fund (and credit) purposes and for classes of services to be established.
- The municipality shall pay each D.C. it collects into a reserve fund or funds to which the charge relates.
- The money in a reserve fund shall be spent only for the "capital costs" determined through the legislated calculation process (as per subsection 5 (1) 2 to 8).
- Money may be borrowed from the fund but must be paid back with interest (O. Reg. 82/98, subsection 11 (1) defines this as Bank of Canada rate either on the day the by-law comes into force or, if specified in the by-law, the first business day of each quarter).
- D.C. reserve funds may not be consolidated with other municipal reserve funds for investment purposes and may only be used as an interim financing source for capital undertakings for which D.C.s may be spent (section 37).

Annually, the Treasurer of the municipality is required to provide Council with a financial statement related to the D.C. by-law(s) and reserve funds. This statement must be made available to the public and may be requested to be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Subsection 43 (2) and O. Reg. 82/98 prescribe the information that must be included in the Treasurer's statement, as follows:

- opening balance;
- closing balance;
- description of each service and/or service category for which the reserve fund was established (including a list of services within a service category):



- transactions for the year (e.g. collections, draws) including each asset's capital costs
 to be funded from the D.C. reserve fund and the manner for funding the capital costs
 not funded under the D.C. by-law (i.e. non-D.C. recoverable cost share and postperiod D.C. recoverable cost share);
- for projects financed by D.C.s, the amount spent on the project from the D.C. reserve fund and the amount and source of any other monies spent on the project;
- amounts borrowed, purpose of the borrowing, and interest accrued during previous year;
- amount and source of money used by the municipality to repay municipal obligations to the D.C. reserve fund;
- list of credits by service or service category (outstanding at the beginning of the year, given in the year, and outstanding at the end of the year by the holder);
- for credits granted under section 14 of the previous D.C.A., a schedule identifying
 the value of credits recognized by the municipality, the service to which it applies
 and the source of funding used to finance the credit; and
- a statement as to compliance with subsection 59 (1) of the D.C.A., whereby the
 municipality shall not impose, directly or indirectly, a charge related to a
 development or a requirement to construct a service related to development, except
 as permitted by the D.C.A. or another Act.

Recent changes arising from Bill 109 (More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022) provide that the Council shall make the statement available to the public by posting the statement on the website or, if there is no such website, in the municipal office. In addition, Bill 109 introduced the following requirements which shall be included in the treasurer's statement.

- For each service for which a development charge is collected during the year
 - whether, as of the end of the year, the municipality expects to incur the amount of capital costs that were estimated, in the relevant development charge background study, to be incurred during the term of the applicable development charge by-law, and
 - if the answer to subparagraph i is no, the amount the municipality now expects to incur and a statement as to why this amount is expected;
- For any service for which a development charge was collected during the year but in respect of which no money from a reserve fund was spent during the year, a statement as to why there was no spending during the year.



Additionally, as per subsection 35(3) of the D.C.A.:

35(3) If a service is prescribed for the purposes of this subsection, beginning in the first calendar year that commences after the service is prescribed and in each calendar year thereafter, a municipality shall spend or allocate at least 60 per cent of the monies that are in a reserve fund for the prescribed service at the beginning of the year.

The services currently prescribed are water, wastewater, and services related to a highway. Therefore, as of 2023, a municipality shall spend or allocate at least 60 percent of the monies in the reserve fund at the beginning of the year. There are generally two (2) ways in which a municipality may approach this requirement:

- a) Include a schedule are part of the annual treasurer's statement; or
- b) Incorporate the information into the annual budgeting process.

Based upon the above, Figure 1 and Attachments 1 and 2, set out the format for which annual reporting to Council should be provided. Attachment 3 provides for the schedule for allocating reserve fund balances to projects.

D.2 D.C. Reserve Fund Application

Section 35 of the D.C.A. states that:

"The money in a reserve fund established for a service may be spent only for capital costs determined under paragraphs 2 to 7 of subsection 5(1)."

This provision clearly establishes that reserve funds collected for a specific service are only to be used for that service, or to be used as a source of interim financing of capital undertakings for which a D.C. may be spent.



Figure D-1 Municipality of West Elgin Annual Treasurer's Statement of Development Charge Reserve Funds

	Services to which the Development Charge Relates					
	Services	Fire	Parks and			
	Related to a	Protection	Recreation			
Description	Highway	Services	Services	Growth Studies	Total	
Opening Balance, January 1,					0	
Plus:						
Development Charge Collections					0	
Accrued Interest					0	
Repayment of Monies Borrowed from Fund and Associated Interest ¹					0	
Sub-Total	0	0	0	0	0	
<u>Less:</u>						
Amount Transferred to Capital (or Other) Funds ²					0	
Amounts Refunded					0	
Amounts Loaned to Other D.C. Service Category for Interim Financing					0	
Credits ³					0	
Sub-Total Sub-Total	0	0	0	0	0	
Closing Balance, December 31,	0	0	0	0	0	

¹ Source of funds used to repay the D.C. reserve fund

The Municipality is compliant with s.s. 59.1 (1) of the *Development Charges Act*, whereby charges are not directly or indirectly imposed on development nor has a requirement to construct a service related to development been imposed, except as permitted by the *Development Charges Act* or another Act.

² See Attachment 1 for details

³ See Attachment 2 for details



Figure D-2a Municipality of West Elgin Attachment 1

Annual Treasurer's Statement of Development Charge Reserve Funds Amount Transferred to Capital (or Other) Funds – Capital Fund Transactions

			D.C.	Recoverable Cost	t Share		Non-D.C. Recoverable Cost Share			t Share		
		D.C. Forecast Period Post D.C. Forecast Period			ecast Period							
Capital Fund Transactions	Gross Capital Cost	D.C. Reserve Fund Draw	D.C. Debt Financing		Post-Period Benefit/ Capacity Interim Financing		Other Reserve/Reserve Fund Draws		Rate Supported Operating Fund Contributions	Debt Financing	Grants, Subsidies Other Contributions	
Services Related to a Highway												
Capital Cost A												
Capital Cost B												
Capital Cost C												
Sub-Total - Services Related to Highways	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Parks and Recreation Services Capital Cost D												
Capita Cost E												
Capital Cost F	40	40	40	4.0		40			40	40		
Sub-Total - Parks and Recreation Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Fire Protection Services Capital Cost G Capita Cost H												
Capital Cost I												
Sub-Total - Fire Protection Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	



Figure D-2b Municipality of West Elgin Attachment 1

Annual Treasurer's Statement of Development Charge Reserve Funds Amount Transferred to Capital (or Other) Funds – Operating Fund Transactions

	Annual Debt	D.C. Reserve	e Fund Draw	Post D.C. Forecast Period		Non-D.C. Recoverable Cost Share			
Operating Fund Transactions	Repayment Amount	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Source	Principal	Interest	Source
Services Related to a Highway		<u> </u>							
Capital Cost J									
Capita Cost K									
Capital Cost L									
Sub-Total - Services Related to a Highway	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0	
Parks and Recreation Services									
Capital Cost M									
Capita Cost N									
Capital Cost O									
Sub-Total - Parks and Recreation Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0	
<u>Fire Protection Services</u> Capital Cost P									
Capita Cost Q									
Capital Cost R									
Sub-Total - Fire Protection Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0	



Figure D-3 Municipality of West Elgin Attachment 2

Annual Treasurer's Statement of Development Charge Reserve Funds Statement of Credit Holder Transactions

Credit Holder	Applicable D.C. Reserve Fund	Credit Balance Outstanding Beginning of Year	Additional Credits Granted During Year	Credits Used by Holder During Year	Credit Balance Outstanding End of Year
Credit Holder A					
Credit Holder B					
Credit Holder C					
Credit Holder D					
Credit Holder E					
Credit Holder F					



Figure D-4 Municipality of West Elgin Attachment 3

Annual Treasurer's Statement of Development Charge Reserve Funds Statement of Reserve Fund Balance Allocations

	Services Related to a
Service:	Highway
Balance in Reserve Fund at Beginning of Year:	,
60% of Balance to be Allocated (at a minimum):	

Projects to Which Funds Will be Allocated

Project Description	Project Number	Total Growth-related Capital Cost Remaining to be Funded	Share of Growth-related Cost Allocated to Date	Share of Growth-related Cost Allocated - Current Year
Total		\$0	\$0	\$0



Appendix E Local Service Policy



Appendix E: Local Service Policy

Policy Statement

This Policy sets out the Municipality's General Policy Guidelines on Development Charges (D.C.) and local service funding for Services Related to a Highway, Stormwater Management, Transit Bus Stops and Amenities, Parkland Development, and Underground Linear Services. The guidelines outline, in general terms, the size and nature of engineered infrastructure that is included in the study as a development charge project, versus infrastructure that is considered as a local service, to be emplaced separately by landowners, pursuant to a development agreement.

Purpose

The following policy guidelines are general principles by which staff will be guided in considering development applications. However, each application will be considered, in the context of these policy guidelines as subsection 59(2) of the Development Charges Act, 1997, on its own merits having regard to, among other factors, the nature, type and location of the development and any existing and proposed development in the surrounding area, as well as the location and type of services required and their relationship to the proposed development and to existing and proposed development in the area.

Policy

A. Services Related to a Highway

A highway and services related to a highway are intended for the transportation of people and goods via many different modes including, but not limited to passenger automobiles, commercial vehicles, transit vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians. The highway shall consist of all land and associated infrastructure built to support (or service) this movement of people and goods regardless of the mode of transportation employed, thereby achieving a complete street. A complete street is the concept whereby a highway is planned, designed, operated and maintained to enable pedestrians, cyclists, public transit users and motorists to safely and comfortably be moved, thereby allowing for the efficient movement of persons and goods.



The associated infrastructure to achieve this concept shall include, but is not limited to: road pavement structure and curbs; grade separation/bridge structures (for any vehicles, railways and/or pedestrians); grading, drainage and retaining wall features; culvert structures; storm water drainage systems; utilities; traffic control systems; signage; gateway features; street furniture; active transportation facilities (e.g. sidewalks, bike lanes, multi-use trails which interconnect the transportation network, etc.); transit lanes & lay-bys; roadway illumination systems; boulevard and median surfaces (e.g. sod & topsoil, paving, etc.); street trees and landscaping; parking lanes & lay-bys; (excluding on-street parking in the downtown) and driveway entrances; noise attenuation systems; railings and safety barriers.

1) Local and Collector Roads (including land)

- a) Collector Roads Internal to Development, inclusive of all land and associated infrastructure direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A. as a local service.
- b) Collector Roads External to Development, inclusive of all land and associated infrastructure if needed to support a specific development or required to link with the area to which the plan relates, direct developer responsibility under s.59 of the D.C.A.; otherwise, included in D.C. calculation to the extent permitted under s.5(1) of the D.C.A. (dependent on local circumstances).
- c) All local roads are considered to be the developer's responsibility.

2) Arterial Roads

- a) New, widened, extended or upgraded arterial roads, inclusive of all associated infrastructure: Included as part of road costing funded through D.C.A., s.5(1).
- b) Land acquisition for arterial roads on existing rights-of-way to achieve a complete street: dedication under the Planning Act provisions (s. 41, 51 and s. 53) through development lands; in area with limited development: included in D.C.'s.
- c) Land acquisition for arterial roads on new rights-of-way to achieve a complete street: dedication, where possible, under the Planning Act provisions (s. 51 and s. 53) through development lands up to the ROW as specified by the Municipality.



d) Land acquisition beyond normal dedication requirements to achieve transportation corridors as services related to highways including grade separation infrastructure for the movement of pedestrians, cyclists, public transit and/or railway vehicles: included in D.C.'s.

3) Traffic Control Systems, Signals and Intersection Improvements

- a) On new arterial roads and arterial road improvements unrelated to a specific development: included as part of road costing funded through D.C.'s.
- b) On non-arterial roads, or for any private site entrances or entrances to specific development: direct developer responsibility under s.59 of D.C.A. (as a local service).
- c) On arterial or collector road intersections with County roads: include in County D.C.'s or in certain circumstances, may be a direct developer responsibility
- d) Intersection improvements, new or modified signalization, signal timing & optimization plans, area traffic studies for highways attributed to growth and unrelated to a specific development: included in D.C. calculation as permitted under s.5(1) of the D.C.A.

4) Streetlights

- a) Streetlights on new arterial roads and arterial road improvements: considered part of the complete street and included as part of the road costing funded through D.C.'s or in exceptional circumstances, may be direct developer responsibility through local service provisions (s.59 of D.C.A.).
- b) Streetlights on non-arterial roads internal to development: considered part of the complete street and included as a direct developer responsibility under s. 59 of the D.C.A. (as a local service).
- c) Streetlights on non-arterial roads external to development, needed to support a specific development or required to link with the area to which the plan relates: considered part of the complete street and included as a direct developer responsibility under s. 59 of the D.C.A. (as a local service).



5) Transportation Related Pedestrian and Cycling Facilities

- a) Sidewalks, multi-use trails, cycle tracks, and bike lanes, inclusive of all required infrastructure, located within arterial roads, County roads and provincial highway corridors: considered part of the complete street and included in D.C.'s, or, in exceptional circumstances, may be direct developer responsibility through local service provisions (s.59 of D.C.A.).
- b) Sidewalks, multi-use trails, cycle tracks, and bike lanes, inclusive of all required infrastructure, located within or linking to non-arterial road corridors internal to development: considered part of the complete street and include in D.C.'s.
- c) Other sidewalks, multi-use trails, cycle tracks, and bike lanes, inclusive of all required infrastructure, located within non-arterial road corridors external to development and needed to support a specific development or required to link with the area to which the plan relates: direct developer responsibility under s.59 of D.C.A. (as a local service).
- d) Multi-use trails (not associated with a road), inclusive of all land and required infrastructure, that go beyond the function of a (parkland) recreational trail and form part of the Municipality's active transportation network for cycling and/or walking: included in D.C.'s

6) Noise Abatement Measures

- a) Noise abatement measures external and internal to development where it is related to, or a requirement of a specific development: direct developer responsibility under s.59 of D.C.A. (as a local service).
- Noise abatement measures on new arterial roads and arterial road improvements abutting an existing community and unrelated to a specific development: included as part of road costing funded through D.C.'s.

7) Transit Lanes and Lay-bys

 a) Transit lanes and lay-bys located within municipal arterial and county road corridors: considered part of the complete street and included in D.C.'s



- b) Transit lanes and lay-bys located within non-arterial road corridors internal to development: considered part of the complete street and direct developer responsibility under s. 59 of the D.C.A. (as a local service).
- c) Transit lanes and lay-bys located within non-arterial road corridors external to development and needed to support a specific development or required to link with the area to which the plan relates: direct developer responsibility under s. 59 of the D.C.A. (as a local service).

B. Stormwater Management

- a) Stormwater facilities for quality and/or quantity management, including downstream erosion works, inclusive of land and all associated infrastructure, such as landscaping and perimeter fencing: direct developer responsibility under s.59 of D.C.A. (as a local service).
- a) Over-sizing cost of stormwater facilities capacity, excluding land, to accommodate runoff from new, widened, extended or upgraded municipal arterial roads that are funded as a development charges project: included as part of road costing funded through D.C.'s.
- b) Erosion works, inclusive of all restoration requirements, related to a development application: direct developer responsibility under s. 59 of the D.C.A. (as a local service).
- c) Monitoring works: direct developer responsibility under s. 59 of the D.C.A. (as a local service).
- d) Storm sewer systems and drainage works that are required for a specific development, either internal or external to the area to which the plan relates: direct developer responsibility under s. 59 of the D.C.A. (as a local service).

C. Parkland Development

1) Recreational Trails

 a) Recreational trails (Multi-use trails) that do not form part of the Municipality's active transportation network, and their associated infrastructure (landscaping, bridges, trail surface, etc.), is included in area municipal parkland D.C.'s.



2) Parkland

- a) Parkland Development for Community Parks, District Parks, Neighbourhood Parks, and Village Squares: direct developer responsibility to provide at base condition, as follows:
 - Clearing and grubbing. Tree removals as per the subdivision's tree preservation and removals plan.
 - Topsoil Stripping, screening, and stockpiling.
 - Rough grading (pre-grading) to allow for positive drainage of the Park, with minimum slopes of 2%. If necessary, this may include some minor drainage tile work and grading as per the overall subdivision grading design complete with any required swales or catch basins. Runoff from the development property shall not drain into the park unless approved by the Manager, Environment Services, Public Works.
 - Spreading of topsoil to 150mm depth (import topsoil if existing on-site is insufficient to reach required depth).
 - Seeding of site with Municipality-approved seed mix. Maintenance of seed until acceptance by Municipality.
 - Parks shall be free of any contaminated soil or subsoil.
 - Parks shall not be mined for fill.
 - Parks shall be conveyed free and clear of all encumbrances.
 - 100% of 1.5m chain link perimeter fencing to the Municipal standards to separate the development lands from the Municipal lands or lands to be dedicated to the Municipality, unless the perimeter fencing is on land that will be dedicated to the Municipality to fulfil the requirement of parkland dedication under the Planning Act, in which case the cost shall be shared 50/50.
 - When Park parcels cannot be developed in a timely manner, they shall be graded to ensure positive drainage and seeded to minimize erosion and dust. These shall be maintained by the developer until construction commences thereon.
 - The Park block shall not be used for topsoil or other construction material, equipment storage, or sales pavilions.
 - Required heritage features within the Park as set out within the Planning approval conditions.



- b) Program facilities, amenities, and furniture, within parkland: are included in D.C.'s.
- 3) Landscape Buffer Blocks, Features, Cul-de-sac Islands, Berms, Grade Transition Areas, Walkway Connections to Adjacent Roads, Open Space, etc.
 - a) The cost of developing all landscape buffer blocks, landscape features, culde-sac islands, berms, grade transition areas, walkway connections to adjacent arterial roads, open space and other remnant pieces of land conveyed to the municipality shall be a direct developer responsibility as a local service. Such costs include but are not limited to:
 - pre-grading, sodding or seeding, supply and installation of amended topsoil, (to the Municipality's required depth), landscape features, perimeter fencing and amenities and all planting.
 - Perimeter fencing to the Municipal standard located on the public property side of the property line adjacent land uses (such as but limited to arterial roads) as directed by the Municipality.

4) Natural Heritage System (N.H.S.)

N.H.S. is comprised of wetlands, woodlands and grasslands including naturally occurring or naturalized streams, corridors and buffers to N.H.S. boundaries within the boundaries of the Municipality.

Direct developer responsibility as a local service provision including but not limited to the following:

- a) Site suitable, Carolinian plantings and landscaping for both riparian and terrestrial requirements (as required by the Municipality, Conservation Authority or other authorities having jurisdiction) as a result of creation of, or construction adjacent or within the associated buffers to the N.H.S. boundary.
- b) Perimeter fencing of the N.H.S. to the Municipal standard located on the public property side of the property line adjacent land uses (residential, industrial, commercial) as required by the Municipality.



c) All works to be in conformance with the Municipality's "Restoration Framework" for stream corridors, natural buffers and subwatersheds areas as directed by the approved studies and reports related to the Secondary Plan that development occurs in.

5) Infrastructure Assets Constructed by Developers

- a) All infrastructure assets constructed by Developers must be designed in accordance with the guidelines provided by the Municipality.
- b) All infrastructure assets shall be conveyed in accordance with the guidelines provided by the Municipality.
- c) Any Parks and Open Space infrastructure assets approved to be built by the developer on behalf of the Municipality shall be in accordance with the guidelines provided by the Municipality.

D. Underground Services (Stormwater, Water and Sanitary Sewers)

Underground services (linear infrastructure for stormwater, water, and sanitary services) within the road allowance are not included in the cost of road infrastructure and are treated separately. The responsibility for such services as well as stormwater management ponds and pumping stations, which are undertaken as part of new developments or redevelopments, will be determined by the following principles:

The costs of the following items shall be direct developer responsibilities as a local service:

- a) providing all underground services internal to the development, including storm, water and sanitary services;
- b) providing service connections from existing underground services to the development;
- c) providing new underground services or upgrading existing underground services external to the development if the services are required to service the development, and if the pipe sizes do not exceed 300mm for water and sanitary services and 900 mm for stormwater services. If external services are required by two or more developments, the developer for the first development will be



- responsible for the cost of the external services and may enter into frontending/cost-sharing agreements with other developers independent of the municipality;
- d) providing stormwater management ponds and other facilities required by the development including all associated features such as landscaping and fencing;
- e) water booster pumping stations, reservoir pumping stations and/or sanitary pumping stations serving individual developments;

The costs of the following items shall be paid through capital charges:

- a) Water treatment, storage facilities, transmission mains, re- chlorination/sampling stations and wells associated with municipal service areas;
- b) Wastewater treatment plants and transmission mains associated with municipal service areas;
- external underground services involving trunk infrastructure and pipe sizes exceeding 300mm for water and sanitary services and 900mm for stormwater services; and
- d) water, reservoir and/or sanitary pumping stations not required for the individual development.



Appendix F Asset Management Plan



Appendix F: Asset Management Plan

The recent changes to the Development Charges Act, 1997, as amended (D.C.A.) (new subsection 10 (2) (c.2)) require that the background study must include an asset management plan (A.M.P.) related to new infrastructure. Section 10 (3) of the D.C.A. provides:

"The asset management plan shall,

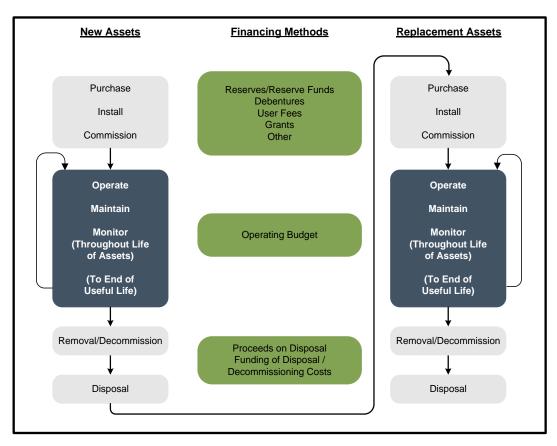
- (a) deal with all assets whose capital costs are proposed to be funded under the development charge by-law;
- (b) demonstrate that all the assets mentioned in clause (a) are financially sustainable over their full life cycle;
- (c) contain any other information that is prescribed; and
- (d) be prepared in the prescribed manner."

In regard to the above, section 8 of the regulations was amended to include subsections (2), (3), and (4) which set out specific detailed requirements for transit (only). For all services except transit, there are no prescribed requirements at this time, thus requiring the municipality to define the approach to include in the background study.

At a broad level, the A.M.P. provides for the long-term investment in an asset over its entire useful life along with the funding. The schematic below identifies the costs for an asset throughout its entire lifecycle. For growth-related works, the majority of capital costs will be funded by the D.C. Non-growth-related expenditures will then be funded from non-D.C. revenues as noted below. During the useful life of the asset, there will be minor maintenance costs to extend the life of the asset along with additional program-related expenditures to provide the full services to the residents. At the end of the life of the asset, it will be replaced by non-D.C. financing sources.

It should be noted that with the recent passing of the *Infrastructure for Jobs and Prosperity Act* (I.J.P.A.) municipalities are now required to complete A.M.P.s, based on certain criteria, which were to be completed by 2022 for core municipal services and 2024 for all other services. The amendments to the D.C.A. do not require municipalities to complete these A.M.P.s (required under I.J.P.A.) for the D.C. background study, rather the D.C.A. requires that the D.C. background study include information to show the assets to be funded by the D.C. are sustainable over their full lifecycle.





In 2012, the Province developed Building Together: Guide for municipal asset management plans which outlines the key elements for an A.M.P., as follows:

State of local infrastructure: asset types, quantities, age, condition, financial accounting valuation and replacement cost valuation.

Desired levels of service: defines levels of service through performance measures and discusses any external trends or issues that may affect expected levels of service or the municipality's ability to meet them (for example, new accessibility standards, climate change impacts).

Asset management strategy: the asset management strategy is the set of planned actions that will seek to generate the desired levels of service in a sustainable way, while managing risk, at the lowest lifecycle cost.

Financing strategy: having a financial plan is critical for putting an A.M.P. into action. By having a strong financial plan, municipalities can also demonstrate that they have



made a concerted effort to integrate the A.M.P. with financial planning and municipal budgeting and are making full use of all available infrastructure financing tools.

Commensurate with the above, the Municipality is preparing an A.M.P. for its existing assets; however, it does not take into account future growth-related assets for all services included in the D.C. calculations. As a result, the asset management requirement for the D.C. must be undertaken in the absence of this information.

In recognition to the schematic above, the following table (presented in 2024 \$) has been developed to provide the annualized expenditures and revenues associated with new growth. Note that the D.C.A. does not require an analysis of the non-D.C. capital needs or their associated operating costs so these are omitted from the table below. As well, as all capital costs included in the D.C.-eligible capital costs are not included in the Municipality's A.M.P., the present infrastructure gap and associated funding plan have not been considered at this time. Hence the following does not represent a fiscal impact assessment (including future tax/rate increases) but provides insight into the potential affordability of the new assets:

- 1. The non-D.C. recoverable portion of the projects that will require financing from municipal financial resources (i.e., taxation, rates, fees, etc.). This amount has been presented on an annual debt charge amount based on 20-year financing.
- 2. Lifecycle costs for the 2024 D.C. capital works have been presented based on a sinking fund basis. The assets have been considered over their estimated useful lives.
- 3. Incremental operating costs for the D.C. services (only) have been included.
- 4. The resultant total annualized expenditures are approximately \$1.12 million.
- 5. Consideration was given to the potential new taxation and user fee revenues which will be generated as a result of new growth. These revenues will be available to finance the expenditures above. The new operating revenues are \$15.74 million. This amount, totalled with the existing operating revenues of approximately \$13.18 million, provides annual revenues of approximately \$28.92 million by the end of the period.



6. In consideration of the above, the capital plan is deemed to be financially sustainable.

Municipality of West Elgin Asset Management – Future Expenditures and Associated Revenues 2024\$

Asset Management - Future Expenditures and Associated Revenues	2046 (Total)		
Expenditures (Annualized)			
Annual Debt Payment on Non-Growth			
Related Capital ¹	474,551		
Annual Debt Payment on Post Period			
Capital ²	-		
Annual Lifecycle	\$419,109		
Incremental Operating Costs (for D.C.			
Services)	\$222,356		
Total Expenditures	\$1,116,015		
Revenue (Annualized)			
Total Existing Revenue ³	\$13,176,471		
Incremental Tax and Non-Tax Revenue (User			
Fees, Fines, Licences, etc.)	\$15,742,403		
Total Revenues	\$28,918,874		

¹ Non-Growth Related component of Projects

² Interim Debt Financing for Post Period Benefit

³ As per Sch. 10 of FIR



Appendix G Proposed D.C. By-law



Appendix G: Proposed D.C. By-law

The Corporation of the Municipality of West Elgin By-Law Number 2024-XX

A By-law to establish Development Charges for the Municipality of West Elgin

Whereas the *Development Charges Act, 1997* (the "Act") provides that the council of a municipality may by by-law impose development charges against land to pay for increased capital costs required because of increased needs for services;

And whereas a Development Charges Background Study has been completed in accordance with the Act;

And whereas Council has before it a report entitled "Municipality of West Elgin Development Charges Background Study" prepared by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. dated September 27, 2024;

And whereas Council approves the capital project listing set out in Chapter 4 of the D.C. Background Study dated September 27, 2024, subject to further annual review during the capital budget process;

And whereas the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Elgin has given notice of and held a public meeting on the 24th day of October, 2024 in accordance with the Act and the regulations thereto and determined that no further public meeting is required;

And whereas Council, whenever appropriate, request that grants, subsidies and other contributions be clearly designated by the donor as being to the benefit of existing development or new development, as applicable;

Now therefore the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Elgin hereby enacts as follows:



1.0 Definitions

- **1.1** In this by-law,
- 1) "Act" means the Development Charges Act, S.O. 1997, c. 27, as amended, or any successor thereto;
- 2) "Accessory use" means where used to describe a use, building, or structure, that the use, building or structure is naturally and normally incidental, subordinate in purpose of floor area or both, and exclusively devoted to a principal use, building or structure;
- 3) "Affordable residential unit" means a residential unit that meets the criteria set out in subsection 4.1(2) or 4.1(3) of the Act;
- 4) "Ancillary residential building" means a residential building that would be accessory to a detached dwelling, semi-detached dwelling, or row dwelling;
- 5) "Apartment unit" means any residential dwelling unit within a building containing three or more dwelling units where access to each residential unit is obtained through a common entrance or entrances from the street level and the residential units are connected by an interior corridor;
- 6) "Attainable residential unit" means a residential unit that meets the criteria set out in subsection 4.1(4) of the Act;
- 7) "Bedroom" means a habitable room larger than seven square metres, including a den, study, or other similar area, but does not include a living room, dining room or kitchen;
- 8) "Benefitting area" means an area defined by a map, plan or legal description in a front-ending agreement as an area that will receive a benefit from the construction of a service:
- 9) "Board of education" means a board defined in subsection 1(1) of the Education Act, or any successor thereto;
- 10)"Building Code Act" means the Building Code Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.B.-13, as amended, or any successor thereto;
- 11) "Capital cost" means costs incurred or proposed to be incurred by the municipality or a local board thereof directly or by others on behalf of and as authorized by the municipality or local board;
 - to acquire land or an interest in land, including a leasehold interest;
 - ii. to improve land;



- iii. to acquire, lease, construct or improve buildings and structures;
- iv. to acquire, construct or improve facilities including:
 - a. furniture and equipment other than computer equipment;
 - b. materials acquired for circulation, reference or information purposes by a library board as defined in the Public Libraries Act; and
 - c. rolling stock with an estimated useful life of seven years or more, and;
- v. to undertake studies in connection with any of the matters referred to in clauses (i) to (iv);
- vi. to complete the development charge background study required under section 10 of the Act;
- vii. interest on borrowing for those expenditures under clauses (i) to (iv) above that are growth-related;
- 12) "Commercial" means any non-residential development not defined under "institutional" or "industrial";
- 13) "Council" means the Council of the Municipality of West Elgin;
- 14) "Development" means the construction, erection or placing of one or more buildings or structures on land or the making of an addition or alteration to a building or structure that has the effect of increasing the size or usability thereof, and includes redevelopment;
- 15) "Development charge" means a charge imposed pursuant to this By-law;
- 16) "Dwelling room" means either:
 - a) each bedroom used, designed, or intended for use by one or more persons living together in a lodging home, dormitories; or
 - in the case of a special care/special dwelling unit/room, each individual room or suite of rooms used, designed, or intended for use by one or two persons with or without exclusive sanitary and/or culinary facilities;



- 17) "Dwelling unit" means any part of a building or structure used, designed, or intended to be used as a domestic establishment in which one or more persons may sleep and are provided with culinary and sanitary facilities for their exclusive use;
- 18) "Existing industrial building" means an industrial building or buildings existing on site in the Municipality of West Elgin on the date of by-law passage or the first building constructed and occupied on a vacant site pursuant to site plan approval under Section 41 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. c.P.13 subsequent to this by-law coming to effect for which full development charges were paid.
- 19)"Farm building" means that part of a bona fide farm operation encompassing barns, silos and other ancillary development to an agricultural use, but excluding a residential use;
- 20) "Grade" means the average level of finished ground adjoining a building or structure at all exterior walls;
- 21) "Gross floor area" means the total floor area of all floors above grade of a dwelling unit measured between the outside surfaces of exterior walls or between the outside surfaces of exterior walls and the centre line of party walls dividing the dwelling unit from other dwelling units or other portion of a building;
 - In the case of a non-residential building or structure, or in the case of a mixed-use building or structure in respect of the non-residential portion thereof, the total area of all building floors above or below grade measured between the outside surfaces of the exterior walls, or between the outside surfaces of exterior walls and the centre line of party walls dividing a non-residential use and a residential use, except for any of the following:
 - A room or enclosed area within the building or structure above or below grade that is used exclusively for the accommodation of heating, cooling, ventilating, electrical, mechanical or telecommunications equipment that services the building;
 - b) Loading facilities above or below grade;
 - A part of the building or structure below grade that is used for the parking of motor vehicles or for storage or other accessory use;
- 22)"Industrial" means lands, buildings or structures used or designed or intended for or in conjunction with:
 - i. the production, compounding, processing, packaging, crating, bottling, packing, or assembling of raw or semi-processed goods or materials in not less than seventy-five percent of the total gross floor area of the building or buildings on a



- site ("manufacturing") or warehousing related to the manufacturing use carried on in the building or buildings;
- ii. research or development in connection with manufacturing in not less than seventy-five percent of the total gross floor area of the building or buildings on a site;
- iii. retail sales by a manufacturer, if the retail sales are at the site where the manufacturing is carried out, such retail sales are restricted to goods manufactured at the site, and the building or part of a building where such retail sales are carried out does not constitute greater than twenty-five percent of the total gross floor area of the building or buildings on the site; or
- iv. Office or administrative purposes, if they are,
 - a. carried out with respect to manufacturing or warehousing; and
 - In or attached to the building or structure used for such manufacturing or warehousing;
- 23)"Institutional" means lands, buildings or structures used or designed or intended for use by an organized body, society or religious groups for promoting a public or non-profit purpose;
- 24) "Interest rate" means the annual rate of interest as set out in section 26.3 of the
- 25) "Local board" has the same definition as defined in the Development Charges Act, S.O. 1997:
- 26)"Local services" means those services, facilities or things which are under the jurisdiction of the municipality and are related to a plan of subdivision or within the area to which the plan relates in respect of the lands under Sections 51 or 53 of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, as amended or any successor thereto;
- 27) "Mezzanine" means an intermediate floor assembly between the floor and ceiling of any room or storey and includes an interior balcony;
- 28) "Municipality" means The Corporation of the Municipality of West Elgin;
- 29) "Non-profit housing development" means Development of a building or structure that meets the criteria set out in section 4.2 of the Act.



- 30)"Non-residential use" means a building or structure of any kind whatsoever used, designed or intended to be used for other than a residential use and includes all commercial, industrial and institutional uses;
- 31) "Other multiple" means all residential units other than a single detached dwelling, semi-detached dwelling, apartment dwelling or a special care/special dwelling unit, including;
- 32)"Owner" means the owner of land or a person who has made application for an approval for the development of land upon which a development charge is imposed;
- 33)"Place of Worship" means that part of a building or structure that is exempt from taxation as a place of worship under the Assessment Act, as amended or any successor thereto;
- 34)"Redevelopment" means the construction, erection or placing of one or more buildings on land where all or part of a building on such land has been previously demolished, or changing the use of all or part of a building from a residential purpose to a non-residential purpose or from a non-residential purpose to a residential purpose, or changing all or part of a building from one form of residential development to another form of residential development or from one form of non-residential development;
- 35)"Regulation" means any regulation made pursuant to the Act;
- 36) "Rental housing" means development of a building or structure with four (4) or more residential units all of which are intended for use as rented residential premises;
- 37)"Residential use" means lands, buildings or structures of any kind whatsoever used, designed or intended to be used as living accommodations for one or more individuals;
- 38)"Semi-detached dwelling" means a dwelling unit in a residential building consisting of two dwelling units having one vertical wall or one horizontal wall, but no other parts, attached or another dwelling unit where the residential units are not connected by an interior corridor:
- 39)"Services" (or "service") means those services set out in Schedule "A" to this By-law;
- 40)"Servicing agreement" means an agreement between a landowner and the municipality relative to the provision of municipal services to specified lands within the municipality;
- 41)"Single detached dwelling unit" means a residential building consisting of one dwelling unit and not attached to another structure and includes mobile homes;



- 42) "Special care/special dwelling" means a residence
 - a) containing two or more dwelling rooms, which rooms have common entrance from street level;
 - b) where the occupants have the right to use in common with other occupants, halls, stairs, yards, common room and accessory buildings; and
 - c) that is designed to accommodate persons with specific needs, including but not limited to, independent permanent living- arrangements; and where support services, such as meal preparation, grocery shopping, laundry, housing, nursing, respite care and attending services are provided at various levels; and includes but is not limited to retirement homes or lodges, group homes, dormitories, and hospices;

2.0 DESIGNATION OF SERVICES/CLASSES OF SERVICES

- 2.1 The categories of services/classes of services for which development charges are imposed under this by-law are as follows:
 - a) Services Related to a Highway;
 - b) Fire Protection Services;
 - c) Parks and Recreation Services; and
 - d) Growth Studies.
- 2.2 Components of the services designated in Subsection 2.1 are described in Schedule "A".

3.0 APPLICATION OF BY-LAW RULES

- 3.1 Development charges shall be payable in the amounts set out in this by-law where:
 - a) the lands are located in the area described in Subsection 3.2; and
 - b) the development of the lands requires any of the approvals set out in Subsection 3.4 (a).

Area to Which By-law Applies

- 3.2 Subject to Subsection 3.3, this by-law applies to all lands in the geographic area of the Municipality.
- 3.3 This by-law shall not apply to lands that are owned by and used for the purposes of:



- a) the Municipality of West Elgin or a "local board" thereof;
- b) a "board of education" as defined in Section 1(1) of the Education Act, R.S.O. 1990;
- c) County of Elgin or a "local board" thereof;
- d) Land vested in or leased to a university that receives regular and ongoing operating funds from the government for the purposes of post-secondary education is exempt from development charges imposed under the Development Charges Act, 1997 if the development in respect of which development charges would otherwise be payable is intended to be occupied and used by the university.

Approvals for Development

- 3.4 a) Development charges shall be imposed on all lands, buildings or structures that are developed for residential or non-residential uses if the development requires,
 - (i) the passing of a zoning by-law or an amendment to a zoning by-law under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990;
 - (ii) the approval of a minor variance under Section 45 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990:
 - (iii) a conveyance of land to which a by-law passed under Subsection 50(7) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, applies;
 - (iv) the approval of a plan of subdivision under Section 51 of the Planning Act;
 - (v) a consent under Section 53 of the Planning Act;
 - (vi) the approval of a description under Section 50 of the Condominium Act, R.S.O. 1990; or
 - (vii) the issuing of a permit under the Building Code Act S. 0. 1990, in relation to a building or structure.
 - b) No more than one development charge for each service designated in Subsection 2.1 shall be imposed upon any lands, buildings or structures to which this by-law applies even though two or more of the actions described in Subsection 3.4(a) are required before the lands, buildings or structures can be developed.



c) Despite Subsection 3.4(b), if two or more of the actions described in Subsection 3.4(a) occur at different times, additional development charges shall be imposed if the subsequent action has the effect of increasing the need for services.

Exemptions

- 3.5 Notwithstanding the provisions of this By-law, development charges shall not be imposed with respect to:
 - a) an enlargement to an existing dwelling unit;
 - the creation of additional dwelling units equal to the greater of one or 1% of the existing dwelling units in an existing residential rental building containing four or more dwelling units or prescribed ancillary structure to the existing residential building;
- 3.6 Notwithstanding the provisions of this By-law, development charges shall not be imposed with respect to the creation of any of the following in existing houses:
 - a) A second residential unit in an existing detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of land on which residential use, other than ancillary residential use, is permitted, if all buildings and structures ancillary to the existing detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse cumulatively contain no more than one residential unit.
 - b) A third residential unit in an existing detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of land on which residential use, other than ancillary residential use, is permitted, if no building or structure ancillary to the existing detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse contains any residential units.
 - c) One residential unit in a building or structure ancillary to an existing detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of urban residential land, if the existing detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse contains no more than two residential units and no other building or structure ancillary to the existing detached house, semidetached house or rowhouse contains any residential units.
- 3.7 Notwithstanding the provisions of this By-law, development charges shall not be imposed with respect to the creation of any of the following in new residential buildings:
 - a) A second residential unit in a new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of land on which residential use, other than ancillary residential use, is permitted, if all buildings and structures



- ancillary to the new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse cumulatively will contain no more than one residential unit
- b) A third residential unit in a new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of land on which residential use, other than ancillary residential use, is permitted, if no building or structure ancillary to the new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse contains any residential units
- c) One residential unit in a building or structure ancillary to a new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of urban residential land, if the new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse contains no more than two residential units and no other building or structure ancillary to the new detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse contains any residential units

3.8 **Exemption for Industrial Development:**

- 3.8.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this by-law, there shall be an exemption from the payment of development charges for one or more enlargements of an existing industrial building on its site, whether attached or separate from the existing industrial building, up to a maximum of fifty percent of the gross floor area before the first enlargement for which an exemption from the payment of development charges was granted pursuant to the Development Charges Act or this subsection. Development charges shall be imposed in accordance with this by-law with respect to the amount of the floor area of an enlargement that results in the gross floor area of the industrial building being increase by greater than fifty percent of the gross floor area of the existing industrial building.
- 3.8.2 If the gross floor area of an existing industrial building is enlarged by greater than 50 percent, the amount of the development charge payable in respect of the enlargement is the amount of the development charge that would otherwise be payable multiplied by the fraction determined as follows:
 - 1) determine the amount by which the enlargement exceeds 50 percent of the gross floor area before the enlargement;
 - 2) divide the amount determined under subsection 1) by the amount of the enlargement.

3.9 Other Exemptions/Reductions

Notwithstanding the provision of this By-law, development charges shall not be imposed with respect to:



- lands, buildings or structures used or to be used for a place of worship or for the purposes of a cemetery or burial ground exempt from taxation under the Assessment Act, R.S.O. 1990;
- the development of non-residential farm buildings constructed for bona fide farming uses;
- Non-profit Housing Residential Development;
- Affordable Residential Units required pursuant to section 34 and 16(4) of the Planning Act (Inclusionary Zoning);
- Affordable Residential Units:
- Attainable Residential Units (when proclaimed as per section 4.1 of the Act);

3.9.1 <u>Discounts for Rental Housing (for profit)</u>

The D.C. payable for rental housing developments, where the residential units are intended to be used as a rented residential premises will be reduced based on the number of bedrooms in each unit as follows:

- Three (3) or more bedrooms 25% reduction;
- Two (2) bedrooms 20% reduction; and
- Fewer than two (2) bedrooms 15% reduction.

Amount of Charges

Residential

3.10 The development charges described in Schedule B to this by-law shall be imposed on residential uses of lands, buildings or structures, including a dwelling unit accessory to a non-residential use and, in the case of a mixed-use building or structure, on the residential uses in the mixed-use building or structure, according to the type of residential unit, and calculated with respect to each of the services according to the type of residential use.

Non-Residential Uses

3.11 The development charges described in Schedule B to this by-law shall be imposed on non-residential uses of lands, buildings or structures, and, in the case of a mixed-use building or structure, on the non-residential uses in the mixed-use building or structure and calculated with respect to each of the services according to the gross floor area of the non-residential use.

Reduction of Development Charges Where Redevelopment



- 3.12 Despite any other provision of this by-law, where, as a result of the redevelopment of land, a building or structure existing on the same land within 5 years prior to the date of payment of development charges in regard to such redevelopment was, or is to be demolished, in whole or in part, or converted from one principal use to another principal use on the same land, in order to facilitate the redevelopment, the development charges otherwise payable with respect to such redevelopment shall be reduced by the following amounts:
 - a) In the case of a residential building or structure, or in the case of a mixed- use building or structure, the residential uses in the mixed- use building or structure, an amount calculated by multiplying the applicable development charge under Subsection 3.10 and of this by-law by the number, according to type, of dwelling units that have been or will be demolished or converted to another principal use; and provided that such amounts shall not exceed, in total, the amount of the development charges otherwise payable with respect to the redevelopment.
 - b) In the case of a non-residential building or structure or, in the case of mixed-use building or structure, the non-residential uses in the mixed-use building or structure, an amount calculated by multiplying the applicable development charges under subsection 3.11 by the gross floor area that has been or will be demolished or converted to another principal use; provided that such amounts shall not exceed, in total, the amount of the development charges otherwise payable with respect to the redevelopment.

Time of Payment of Development Charges

- 3.13 Development charges imposed under this section are payable upon issuance of the first building permit with respect to each dwelling unit, building or structure.
- 3.14 Notwithstanding subsection 3.13 development charges for rental housing and institutional developments are due and payable in 6 equal annual payments commencing with the first instalment payable on the earlier of the date the first occupancy permit is granted or the date of first occupancy, and each subsequent instalment, including interest calculated in accordance with section 26.3 of the Act.
- 3.15 Where the development of land results from the approval of a site plan or zoning by-law amendment received on or after January 1, 2020, and the approval of the application occurred within the timing set out in the Act, the development charges under subsections 3.10 and 3.11 shall be calculated on the rates set out in Schedule "B" on the date of the planning application, including interest in accordance with section 26.3 of the Act. Where both planning applications apply, development charges under subsections 3.10 and 3.11 shall be calculated on the rates, including interest in accordance with section 26.3 of the Act, payable on



- the anniversary date each year thereafter, set out in Schedule "B" on the date of the later planning application, including interest.
- 3.16 Despite sections 3.13 to 3.15, Council from time to time, and at any time, may enter into agreements providing for all or any part of a development charge to be paid before or after it would otherwise be payable, in accordance with section 27 of the Act.

4.0 PAYMENT BY SERVICES

4.1 Despite the payments required under Subsections 3.10 and 3.11, Council may, by agreement, give a credit towards a development charge in exchange for work that relates to a service for which a development charge is imposed under this by-law.

5.0 INDEXING

5.1 Development charges imposed pursuant to this by-law shall be adjusted annually, without amendment to this by-law, commencing on January 1, 2025 and each January 1 annually thereafter, in accordance with the Statistics Canada Quarterly Construction Price Statistics.

6.0 TRANSITION PERIOD FOR DEVELOPMENTS

6.1 Subject to section 3.15, if a complete application for a development has been submitted prior to the date of passage of this by-law, then the development would not be subject to a D.C. if a building permit is issued within 6 months of the date of passage of this by-law.

7.0 SCHEDULES

The following schedules to this by-law form an integral part thereof:

Schedule "A" - Components of Services Designated in Subsection 2.1

Schedule "B" - Residential and Non-Residential Development Charges

8.0 DATE BY-LAW IN FORCE

8.1 This By-law shall come into effect at 12:01 AM on November 29, 2024.

9.0 DATE BY-LAW EXPIRES

9.1 This by-law will expire as of 10 years from the date of passage, unless it is repealed at an earlier date.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS __ DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2024.

READ A THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2024.



THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WEST ELGIN.

Mayor
Clerk



SCHEDULE "A"

TO BY-LAW NO. 2024-XX

DESIGNATED MUNICIPAL SERVICES/CLASSES OF SERVICE UNDER THIS BY-

LAW

Services Related to a Highway

Roads

Bridges and Culverts

Sidewalks

Streetlights

Facilities

Vehicles and Equipment

Fire Protection Services

Fire Stations

Fire Vehicles

Small Equipment and Gear

Parks and Recreation Services

Parkland Development

Parks Amenities

Parkland Trails

Park Vehicles and Equipment

Recreation Facilities

Growth Studies



SCHEDULE "B"

TO BY-LAW 2024-XX

SCHEDULE OF DEVELOPMENT CHARGES

	RESIDENTIAL				NON-RESIDENTIAL	
Service/Class of Service	Single and Semi- Detached Dwelling	Other Multiples	Apartments - 2 Bedrooms +	Apartments - Bachelor and 1 Bedroom	Special Care/Special Dwelling Units	(per sq.ft. of Gross Floor Area)
Municipal Wide Services/Class of Service:						
Services Related to a Highway	5,804	4,781	3,810	2,241	2,241	2.60
Fire Protection Services	989	815	649	382	382	0.44
Parks and Recreation Services	2,748	2,264	1,804	1,061	1,061	0.08
Growth Studies	410	338	269	158	158	0.11
Total Municipal Wide Services/Class of Services	9,951	8,198	6,532	3,842	3,842	3.23