

Development Charge Interest Rate Policy

Regional Council Meeting

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Change in the Provincial Policy Landscape

- **Bill 108, More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019:** The Province is seeking to increase the supply of housing and to tackle Ontario's housing crisis.
- The Region supports this goal:
 - ☐ Council approved the Housing Master Plan in 2019
 - ☐ The Region has initiated the development of an Affordable Housing Incentives Pilot Program.



Short Term

Recent Changes: DC Freeze and Deferral



DC Freeze

- When a site plan application is made
- When a zoning by-law amendment application is made



DC Deferral

- Rental housing development that is not non-profit housing development
- ☐ Institutional development
- Non-profit housing development

DC Interest Rate Policy



DC Freeze Interest Rate

- Proposed rate of 5.5% per annum
- Building permits issued prior to August 1st, 2020
 will have a rate of 0% per annum



DC Deferral Interest Rate

- Proposed rate of 0% per annum
- Mandatory DC Payment Agreement



To recover additional costs associated with the DC freeze



To support development of increased affordable housing supply

Interest rates effective immediately and retroactively as of January 1st, 2020.

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Next Steps

■Collaborate with local municipalities to implement the DC Interest Rate Policy

Dialogue and partnership with development community

■2020 Development Charge By-law Review



Questions?