



# 2025 DRAFT BUDGET COUNCIL SECOND REVIEW

GENERAL OPERATING, CAPITAL, WATER, WASTEWATER,  
& USER FEES

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NOVEMBER 20, 2024

# BUDGET SCHEDULE

**September 18, 2024**

(Regular Meeting)

- Council gave staff direction to prepare the 2025 Draft Operating (2%) & Capital (4.20%) Budgets.

**October 16, 2024**

(Regular Meeting).

- Budget Public Meeting
- Final budgets presented.
- Feedback from public

**December 4, 2024**

(Regular Meeting)

- Budget By-laws passed

(Extended Regular Meeting)

- Staff to present Draft Operating Budgets and Capital Budgets
- Council deliberation, review and direction.

**October 2, 2024**

(Regular Meeting)

- All encompassing final budget presentation
- Council deliberation, review and direction

**November 20, 2024**



# WHITEWATER REGION

## **Mission:**

**The Township of Whitewater Region delivers municipal services to a welcoming community.**

## **Vision:**

**The Township of Whitewater Region maintains a rural quality of life by balancing sustainability and growth.**

\$71,950

HOW MUCH IS  
A 1% LEVY  
INCREASE?

A chalkboard with the words "Property Tax" written in white chalk. The chalkboard is on a wooden surface. To the right of the chalkboard is a white calculator and a small white paper model of a house with a red roof. A blue horizontal bar is at the top of the image, and a blue banner is at the bottom.

Property  
Tax

# MUNICIPAL TAX EQUATION

TAX LEVY = ASSESSMENT X TAX RATES

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# HOW IS A LEVY CALCULATED?

- 
- Operating vs. Capital
  - Total Expenses – Grants – User Fees – Transfers from Reserves = Levy (tax levied upon residents)
  - What does the levy cover?
    - Capital not covered through grants (CCBF/OCIF) or Reserves
    - Operating not covered through grants (OMPF/Canada Summer Jobs)

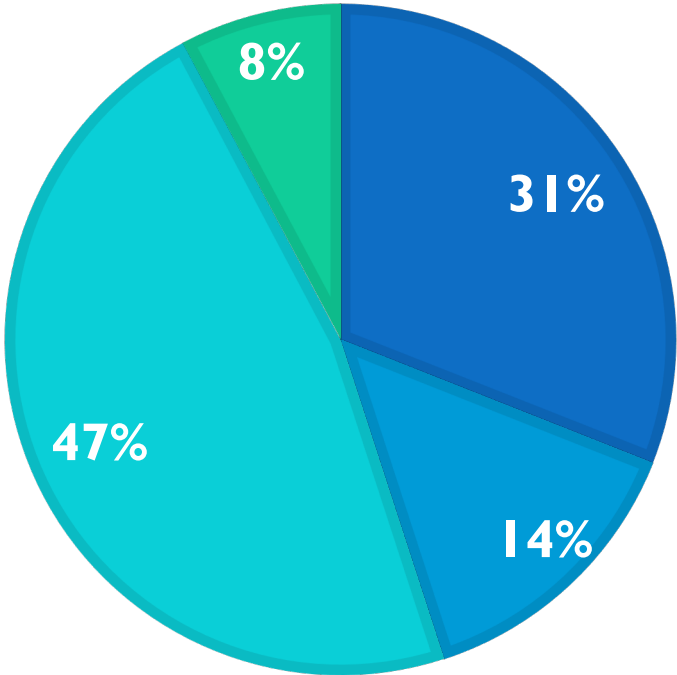
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# FUNDING SOURCES – APPLICATION BASED GRANTS

- 
- Flood Hazard Identification and Mapping Program
  - Community Emergency Preparedness Grant
  - Ontario Transit Investment Fund
  - Firesmart Community Grant
  - Fire Protection Grant
  - Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund – Intake 2
  - Housing Enabling Core Servicing Fund
  - Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund
  - New Horizons for Seniors
  - Seniors Active Living Centres Program
  - Enabling Change – Accessibility
  - Canada Summer Jobs
  - OMAFA Drainage Superintendent

# BREAKDOWN OF EVERY DOLLAR COLLECTED

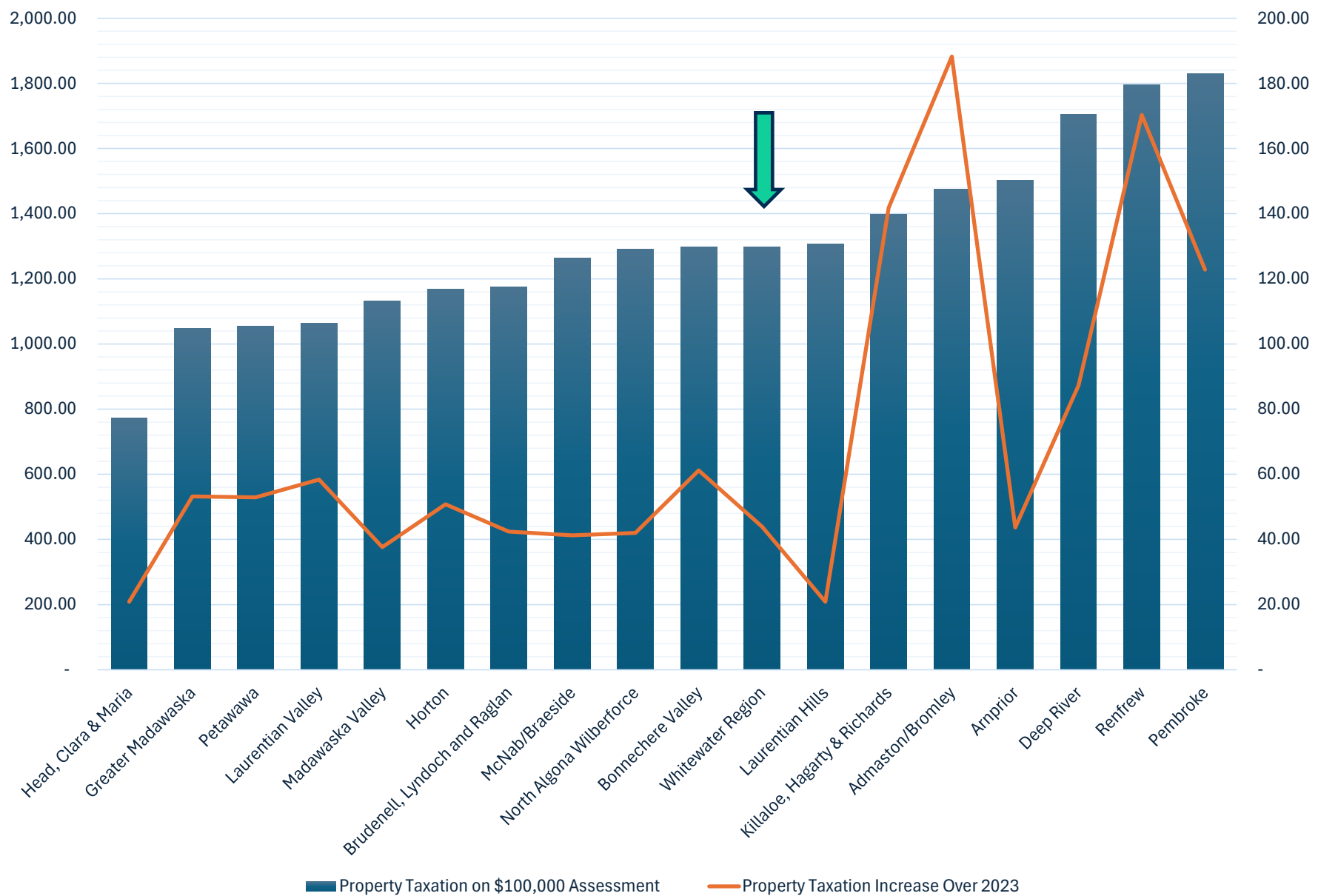
- County (31%)
- Education (14%)
- Municipal (47%)
- Policing (8%)



**YOUR TAX  
DOLLAR  
(2024)**



## County-Wide Property Taxation and Rate Increases 2024



The blue bars illustrate total taxation values calculated using \$100,000 assessment. (Municipal, County, & Education)

The orange line illustrates rate increases in 2024.

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# KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- 
- Operating Increase 2.0%\* (net of growth)
    - Affordability
    - Maintaining Current Levels of Service
    - Inflation Pressures (3.0% average June to June)
    - Insurance (annual)

\*percentage does not include OPP billing increase per Annual Billing Statement

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# KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- 
- Capital Increase 4.2%
  - Funding Sources
    - Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF)
    - Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF)
    - Tax, Reserves & Reserve Funds
  - Criteria
    - Must Have, Can't Fail
    - Timing is Right
    - Annual Replacement
    - Strategically Important

# PUBLIC MEETING INPUT

The Public Meeting to discuss the 2025 Draft Budget was held on October 16, 2024. From that meeting Council received the following input in-person or in writing:

- Question regarding the purpose of the streetscaping budget line.
- What the Hall Rental user charge included for services from staff.
- Question of why Crawford Street was not included in the capital list.
- Request for the portion of Zion Line from West Ross Road to Foresters Falls Road to be considered for 2025.
- Request for bulk pick-up of garbage to be included.

# TRANSFER TO RESERVES

Name	2024 Amount	2025 Amount	Difference	Source
Capital Reinvestment (removed from operating)	\$404,442	\$NIL	-\$404,442	Taxation (elimination of capital fund in operating)
Municipal Election 2026	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$0	Taxation
Emergency Measures – Flood Management	\$15,000	\$10,000	-\$5,000	Taxation
Building Administration - Vehicle	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$0	User Fees
Waste Management	\$34,425	\$30,000	-\$4,425	User Fees
Landfill – Post Closure	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0	Taxation
ORPC	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$0	ORPC Dividends & Interest Earned on Investment

## COUNCIL DIRECTION

1. Accept the transfers to reserves as presented by staff and bring forward for by-law approval.
- ~~2. Amend the transfers to reserves as presented by staff and bring forward for by-law approval.~~

~~Council amendments are:~~



# NON-TAXATION GENERATED REVENUES

## USER FEE CHANGES - ADMINISTRATION

Description	2024 Fee	2025 Proposed	Difference
Kennel License	\$150.00 per week	\$150.00 per year	\$0
Backyard Chicken License	\$150.00 per license	\$150.00 per year	\$0



## USER FEE CHANGES - RECREATION

Description	2024 Fee	2025 Proposed	Difference
Organized Fishing Tournament (per Event)	\$265.48	\$272.12	\$6.64
Organized Fishing Tournament (per Boat)	\$8.85	Remove	\$(8.85)
ICE - Minor – Prime/Tournament	\$116.59	\$119.51	\$2.92
ICE - School – Weekday	\$83.94	\$86.04	\$2.10
ICE - Adult – Prime	\$172.56	\$176.87	\$4.31
ICE - Adult – Weekday/Tournament	\$135.85	\$139.25	\$3.40
ICE - Holiday Rate	\$184.68	\$189.30	\$4.62
ICE – Spring Hockey	N/A	\$150.00	NEW
SLAB - Basic Rental	\$619.47	\$634.96	\$15.49
SLAB - Auctions	\$292.03	\$299.33	\$7.30
SLAB - Hourly	\$44.25	\$45.36	\$1.11
SLAB - Hourly (half slab)	\$22.12	\$22.67	\$0.55

## USER FEE CHANGES - RECREATION (CONT'D)

Description	2024 Fee	2025 Proposed	Difference
COBDEN HALL RENTAL - with kitchen - Prime	\$65.00	\$66.63	\$1.63
COBDEN HALL RENTAL - with kitchen - Weekday	\$26.55	\$27.21	\$0.66
COBDEN HALL RENTAL - Basic Day (hall with kitchen)	\$265.49	\$272.13	\$6.64
COBDEN HALL RENTAL - Basic Day (with bar and/or kitchen)	\$287.61	\$294.80	\$7.19
COBDEN KITCHEN RENTAL ONLY	N/A	\$150.00	NEW
Rental Use Damage/Cleaning Fee	N/A	Cost Recovery	NEW
Covid-19 Cleaning Fee - when Required	\$17.70	Remove	\$(17.70)
Cobden Arena Advertising - 4' x 8' - Wall advertising		\$200.00	\$200.00
Cobden Arena Advertising - 3' x 8' - Ice Surface Boards Advertising		\$400.00	\$400.00

## USER FEE CHANGES – ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Description	2024 Fee	2025 Proposed	Difference
Minimum Charge (<200 kg)	\$21.00	\$21.50	\$0.50
Tipping Fee	\$105.00	\$107.50	\$2.50
Sorted Construction & Demolition	\$105.00	\$107.50	\$2.50
Unsorted Loads (Loads which contain any materials that are mixed or improperly sorted) = x 2.5 Tipping Fees	\$210.00	\$268.75	\$58.75
Trees/large branches/ stumps/ roots/ timber/logs	\$105.00	\$107.50	\$2.50
Baled Agricultural Plastic	No Charge	\$107.50	\$107.50
Contaminated Soil	\$105.00	Not Accepted	\$(105.00)
Boats	\$105.00	\$107.50	\$2.50

## USER FEE CHANGES – ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Description	2024 Fee	2025 Proposed	Difference
Waste Collection Fee (2 Bags/week + unlimited recycling)	\$168	\$168	Nil

## USER FEES CHANGES - TRANSPORTATION

Description	2024 Fee	2025 Proposed	Difference
Private Road Sign	Cost Recovery	Remove	N/A
Utility Road Crossing Permit	\$250.00	No Charge	\$(250.00)

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**GENERAL  
OPERATING  
ADJUSTMENTS**



# **SALARIES & WAGES ADJUSTMENTS**



# SALARIES & WAGES – 2024 VS 2025

## 2024

■ Total \$	\$4,188,980
■ FTE	38.07
■ Total Full Time	33
■ Casual	11
■ Students	7
■ Volunteer Fire Hours	8,750

## 2025

■ Total \$	\$4,307,925*
■ FTE	37.82
■ Total Full Time	33
■ Casual	9
■ Students	7
■ Volunteer Fire Hours	8,750

\* Includes 3.0% COLA

\*\*Note: Volunteer Fire Hours not included in FTE values.

# SALARIES & WAGES - GENERAL

Department	2024	2025	% Change
Council	\$ 174,300.00	\$ 179,400.00	2.93%
Administration	\$ 791,500.00	\$ 809,800.00	2.31%
Fire	\$ 431,550.00	\$ 442,650.00	2.57%
Emergency Measures	\$ 11,030.00	\$ 11,425.00	3.58%
Building	\$ 245,950.00	\$ 257,275.00	4.60%
Animal Control	\$ 5,510.00	\$ 5,700.00	3.45%
By-Law Enforcement	\$ 5,510.00	\$ 5,700.00	3.45%
Planning & Development	\$ 155,850.00	\$ 129,700.00	-16.78%
Transportation Services	\$ 1,375,500.00	\$ 1,413,925.00	2.79%
Environmental Services	\$ 262,150.00	\$ 270,475.00	3.18%
Parks & Recreation	\$ 294,700.00	\$ 318,350.00	8.03%
Economic Development	\$ 22,725.00	\$ 54,575.00	140.15%
Recreation Facilities	\$ 314,550.00	\$ 309,350.00	-1.65%
Drainage	\$ 30,275.00	\$ 31,200.00	3.06%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,121,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,239,525.00</b>	

# SALARIES & WAGES – WATER / WASTEWATER

Department	2024	2025	% Change
Water	\$ 48,480.00	\$ 49,250.00	1.59%
Wastewater	\$ 19,400.00	\$ 19,150.00	-1.29%
Total	\$ 67,880.00	\$ 68,400.00	



**PROTECTION TO  
PERSONS &  
PROPERTY  
ADJUSTMENTS**

# POLICING

## Policing (Presented)

■ 2024 Expenses	\$1,010,784
■ 2025 Expenses	\$1,061,108
■ Total increase of	\$ 50,324
■ Estimated OPP increase	\$ 30,000*
■ Estimated Police Service Board	\$ 20,000

\*2025 Expenses and estimated increase above does not include total OPP billing increase per Annual Billing Statement

## Policing (Amended)

■ 2024 Expenses	\$1,010,784
■ 2025 Expenses	\$1,259,395
■ Total increase of	\$ 248,611
■ Made up of:	
■ OPP increase (year-over-year)	\$ 166,000
■ OPP 2023 Reconciliation	\$ 62,611
■ Police Service Board	\$ 20,000

# OPTIONS

## Option 1:

- Add the entire OPP cost increase, year-over-year and 2023 reconciliation, to the operating portion of the levy which equates to a 1.7% overall increase.

## Option 2:

- Add only the year-over-year increase to OPP costs to the operating portion of the levy which equates to a 0.83% overall increase and fund the 2023 reconciliation amount from the Working Capital Reserve.

## OPTIONS (CONT'D)

### Option 2 Details:

- If the 2023 OPP reconciliation is funded through the Working Capital Reserve in 2025, due to salary increases agreed to through the collective agreements the result would be that the following reconciliation amount will be incurred in 2026:
- 2024 Estimated Reconciliation = \$148,300
- If this is also funded through the Working Capital Reserve, the total commitment would be approximately \$210,911

Note: If this is not funded through the Reserve in 2026, then the estimated levy increase directly related to OPP costs and reconciliation would be 2.95%

- 2026 would be the last year of the catch-up reconciliation amounts

## COUNCIL DIRECTION

1. Accept option 1 to increase the operating portion of the levy by 1.7% to account for the increased OPP costs, bringing the total operating to 3.7%, as presented by staff and bring forward for by-law approval.
- ~~2. Accept option 2 to increase the operating portion of the levy by 0.83% to account for the increased OPP costs and fund the 2023 reconciliation amount from Working Capital Reserve, bringing the total operating to 2.83%, as presented by staff and bring forward for by-law approval.~~





# TRANSPORTATION ADJUSTMENTS







**ENVIRONMENTAL  
SERVICES  
ADJUSTMENTS**

# RECYCLING, WASTE & LANDFILL

## Recycling

- 2024 Operating Expenses \$364,375
- 2025 Operating Expenses \$147,500
- Decrease of \$(216,875)

## Waste

- 2024 Operating Expenses \$259,600
- 2025 Operating Expenses \$355,475
- Increase of \$ 95,875

## Landfill

- 2024 Operating Expenses \$381,700
- 2025 Operating Expenses \$404,575
- Increase of \$ 22,875
- 2024 FTE 3.19
- 2025 FTE 3.19

## Recycling (Amended)

- 2024 Operating Expenses \$364,375
- 2025 Operating Expenses \$186,300
- Decrease of \$(178,075)

## Waste (Amended)

- 2024 Operating Expenses \$259,600
- 2025 Operating Expenses \$306,700
- Increase of \$ 47,100

## Landfill (Amended)

- 2024 Operating Expenses \$381,700
- 2025 Operating Expenses \$406,625
- Increase of \$ 24,925
- 2024 FTE 3.19
- 2025 FTE 3.19



**RECREATION &  
CULTURAL  
SERVICES  
ADJUSTMENTS**

## RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES – PARKS

### Presented

- 2024 Operating Expenses \$417,800
- 2025 Operating Expenses \$401,850
- Decrease of \$(15,950)
- 2024 FTE 3.07
- 2025 FTE 3.27
- Wages \$21,725
- Insurance\* \$(34,950)
- Recreation Grants – unchanged at \$10,000

\*Insurance has been apportioned to facilities for 2025

### Amended

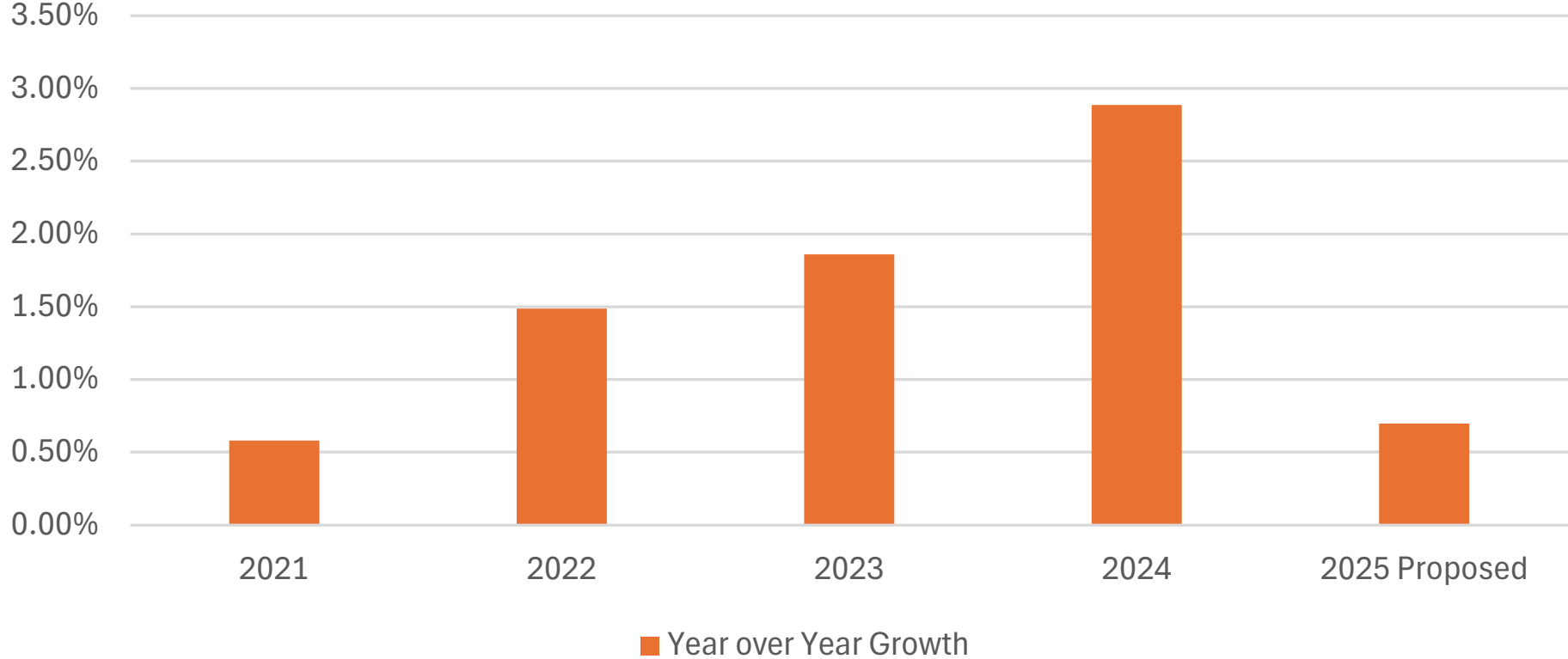
- 2024 Operating Expenses \$417,800
- 2025 Operating Expenses \$442,250
- Increase of \$ 24,450
- 2024 FTE 3.07
- 2025 FTE 3.27
- Wages \$23,650
- Insurance\* \$(34,950)
- CN Rail Trail \$38,300
- Recreation Grants – unchanged at \$10,000

\*Insurance has been apportioned to facilities for 2025

# OPERATING LEVY

	2024	2025 (Option 1)	2025 (Option 2)
Operating Expenses	\$10,462,348	\$10,285,650	\$10,285,650
Operating Revenue	\$3,850,200	\$3,364,176	\$3,426,787
Balance to be funded by levy	\$6,612,148	\$6,921,474	\$6,858,863
Prior Year Levy	\$6,474,463	\$6,612,148	\$6,612,148
% increase	2.00%	4.30%	3.43%
Expected Growth		0.60%	0.60%
% increase		3.70%	2.83%

# Weighted Assessment Growth





## COUNCIL DIRECTION

1. Accept the General Operating adjustments, excluding OPP costs, as presented by staff and bring them forward for by-law approval.
- ~~2. Amend the General Operating adjustments, excluding OPP costs, as presented by staff and bring them forward for by-law approval.~~

~~Council amendments are:~~



# CAPITAL & SPECIAL PROJECT BUDGET



# FUNDING SOURCES

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# FUNDING SOURCES - OCIF

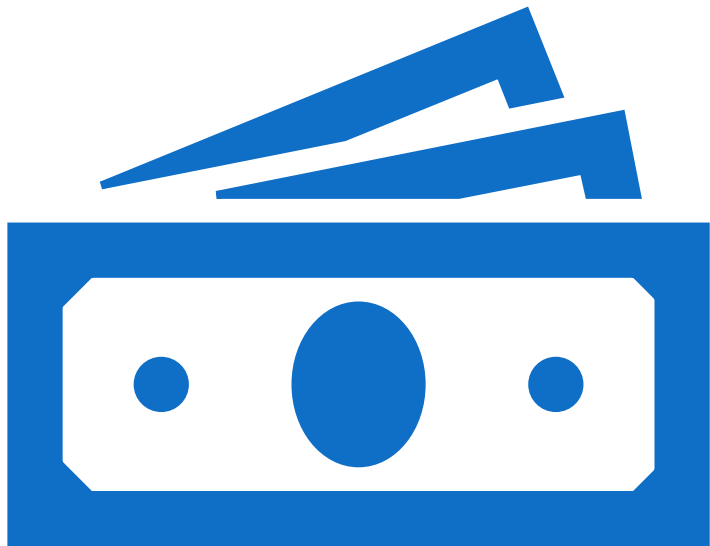
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- Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund
    - \$742,785 (2025 Allocation)
      - \$363,965 Allocated to General Capital
      - \$378,820 Allocated to Water/Wastewater
    - Calculated using forward looking Current Replacement Values (CRVs)
    - Eligible projects:
      - Capital construction of new core infrastructure
      - Capital maintenance for renewal, rehabilitation and replacement of core infrastructure
      - Asset Management software, training and third party condition assessments

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# FUNDING SOURCES - CCBF

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- Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF)
    - Formally known as Gas Tax Funding
    - \$236,620 (2025 Allocation)
    - Eligible Projects:
      - Construction, renewal or material enhancement of infrastructure
      - Remediation and redevelopment of brownfield sites
      - Initiatives that strengthen your municipality's ability to plan for the future

# FUNDING SOURCES – TAX & RESERVES



- 2025 Taxation for Capital
  - \$885,042 generated in 2025 tax levy, made up of:
    - \$582,852 from continuation of 2024 levy
    - \$302,190 proposed from 2025 levy
- Other Reserves
  - Working Capital
  - Development Charges
  - Water
  - Wastewater



**CAPITAL &  
SPECIAL  
PROJECTS**

# PROPOSED CAPITAL & SPECIAL PROJECT: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Description	Type	Capital or Special Project	New/ Replacement	Cost	Funded By
Banners and Streetscaping	Economic	Special Project	New	\$50,000	Levy
Electric Vehicle / charging station (Grant)	Infrastructure	Capital	New	\$35,000	ORPC Reserve or Additional Grant



# PROPOSED CAPITAL & SPECIAL PROJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Description	Type	Capital or Special Project	New/ Replacement	Cost	Funded By
Landfill Compactor	Equipment	Capital	New	\$861,431	Debenture
Landfill ECA Amendment Application Fee	Infrastructure	Special Project	New	\$22,500	Waste Management Reserve

# PROPOSED CAPITAL & SPECIAL PROJECT: GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Description	Type	Capital or Special Project	New/ Replacement	Cost	Funded By
Computers/software	Equipment	Capital	Replacement	\$30,000	Levy
Asset Management Update for Compliance	Study	Special Project	New	\$40,000	OCIF
BCA updates and assessment of town hall	Study	Special Project	New	\$25,000	OCIF
Website Upgrade	Administration	Special Project	Replacement	\$17,700	Levy

# PROPOSED CAPITAL & SPECIAL PROJECT: PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Description	Type	Capital or Special Project	New/ Replacement	Cost	Funded By
Fire Tanker*	Fleet	Reserve	Replacement	\$330,000	Levy
Fire Vehicle (985 I replacement)	Fleet	Capital	Replacement	\$70,000	Levy
Extrication Equipment	Equipment	Capital	Replacement	\$50,000	Levy

\*Note – Total cost of Tanker is \$535,000 (2024 estimate)

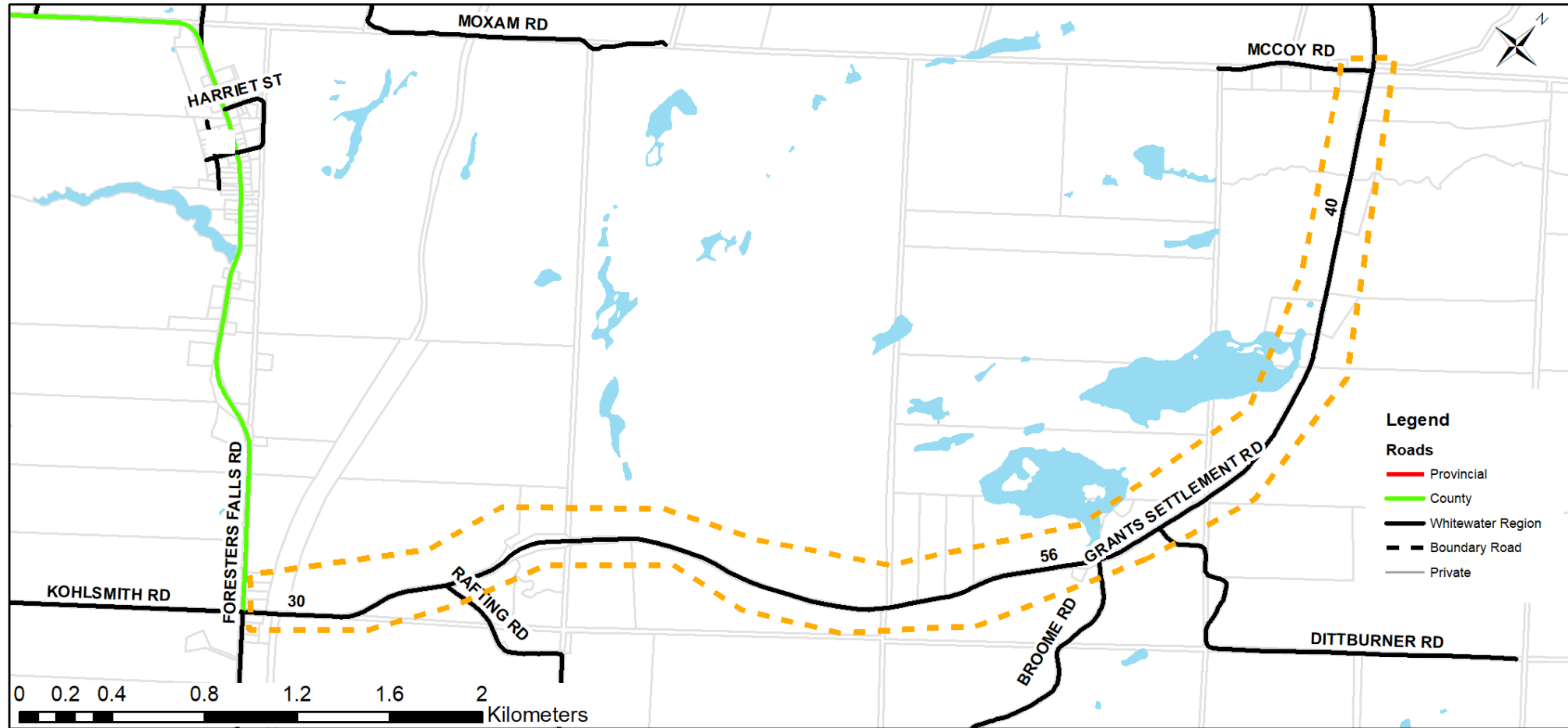
# PROPOSED CAPITAL & SPECIAL PROJECT: RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

Description	Type	Capital or Special Project	New/ Replacement	Cost	Funded By
Westmeath Boat Launch Planning/Rehab	Infrastructure	Special Project	Replacement	\$100,000	CCBF
Cobden Arena - Ice Plant Electrical Panel	Building	Capital	Replacement	\$70,000	CCBF
Structural Assessments for all 3 arenas	Building	Special Project	New	\$60,000	CCBF
Cobden Arena - Flooring Replacement - Lobby/upstairs	Building	Capital	Replacement	\$25,000	CCBF
Parks - Accessible Picnic Tables	Equipment	Capital	Replacement	\$15,000	Levy
Cobden Arena - Tables and Chairs - Township Hall (Chairs)	Equipment	Capital	Replacement	\$10,600	Levy

# PROPOSED CAPITAL & SPECIAL PROJECT: TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Description	Type	Capital or Special Project	New/ Replacement	Cost	Funded By
Grader Mulching Head	Equipment	Capital	New	\$30,000	Levy
Mineview Sand Shed Repair	Building	Capital	Replacement	\$17,500	Levy
Sweeping Head & Tank for Sidewalk Tractor	Equipment	Capital	New	\$15,000	Levy
Grants Settlement Road (Foresters Falls to McCoy) - DST	Infrastructure	Capital	Replacement	\$850,000	OCIF & Levy
Wallace & Simmons Drive - Asphalt	Infrastructure	Capital	Replacement	\$70,000	CCBF & Levy
(CONSIDERATION) Cemetery Road – Asphalt (Boundary Road)	Infrastructure	Capital	Replacement	\$115,000 (50%)	Levy
MacFarlane Road - DST	Infrastructure	Capital	Replacement	\$75,000	Levy

# GRANTS SETTLEMENT ROAD (FORESTERS FALLS ROAD TO MCCOY ROAD)



 80 km/h
 
 Current: DST  
 Proposed: DST
  30, 40, 56 PCI  
 Very Poor, Poor, Good
  486 AADT
  23
  40
  6.44km

# WALLACE & SIMMONS DRIVE - RESURFACING



50 km/h



Current: Asphalt  
Proposed: Asphalt



20, 29, 32 PCI  
Serious &  
Very Poor



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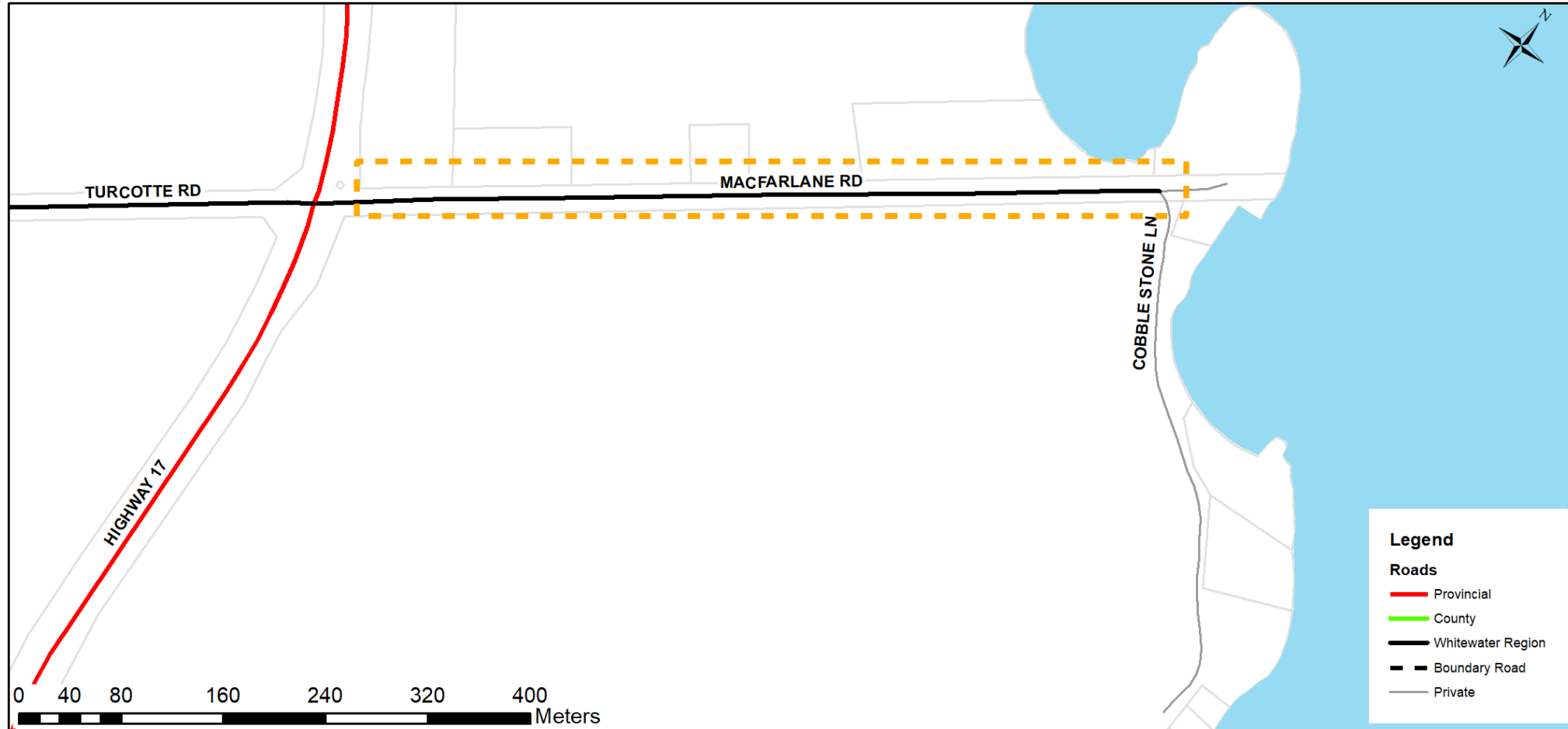


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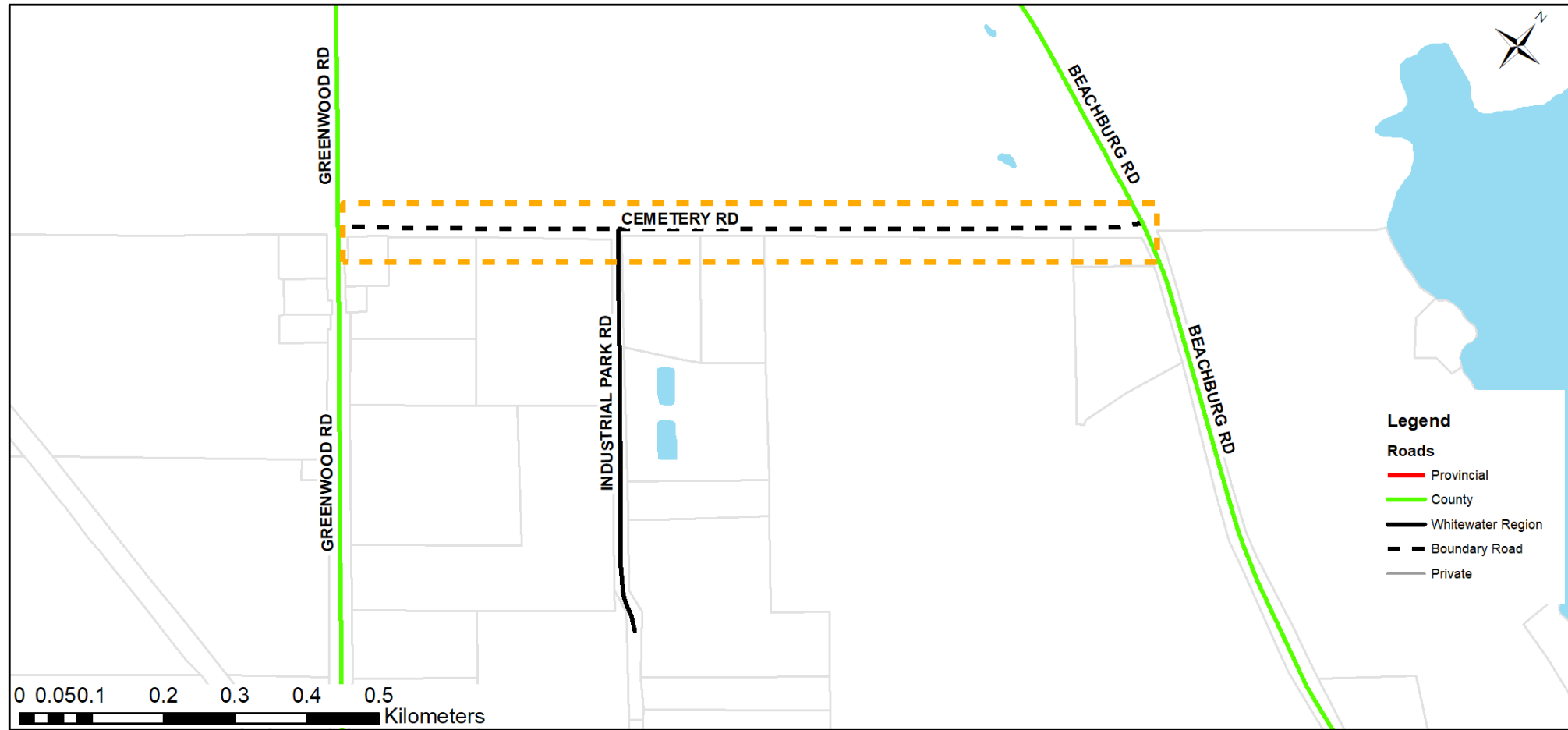
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# MACFARLANE ROAD - RESURFACING





# CEMETERY ROAD - RESURFACING (BOUNDARY ROAD)



80 km/h Current: Asphalt Proposed: Asphalt 20.27 PCI Serious 0-100 AADT 8 1 1.12km

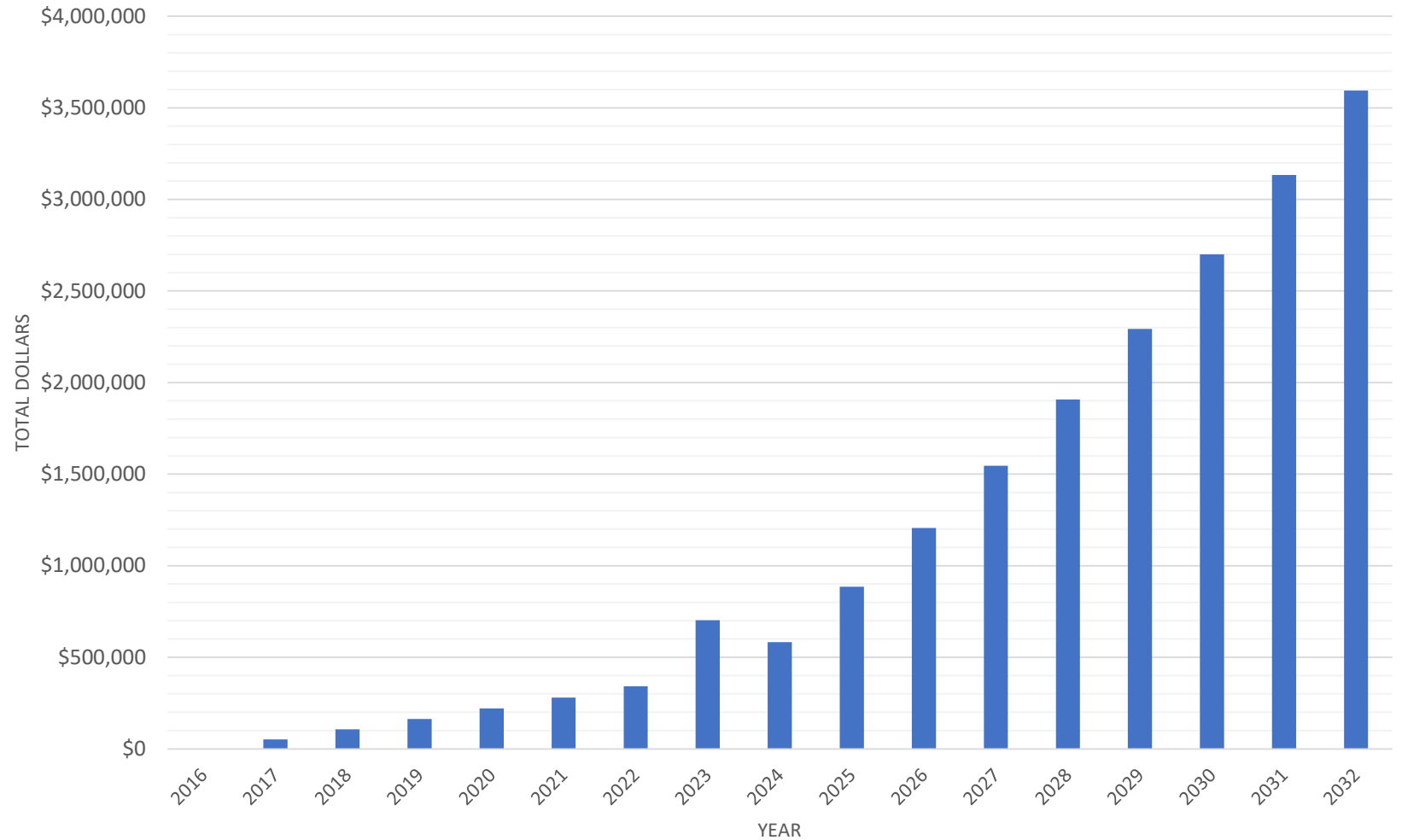
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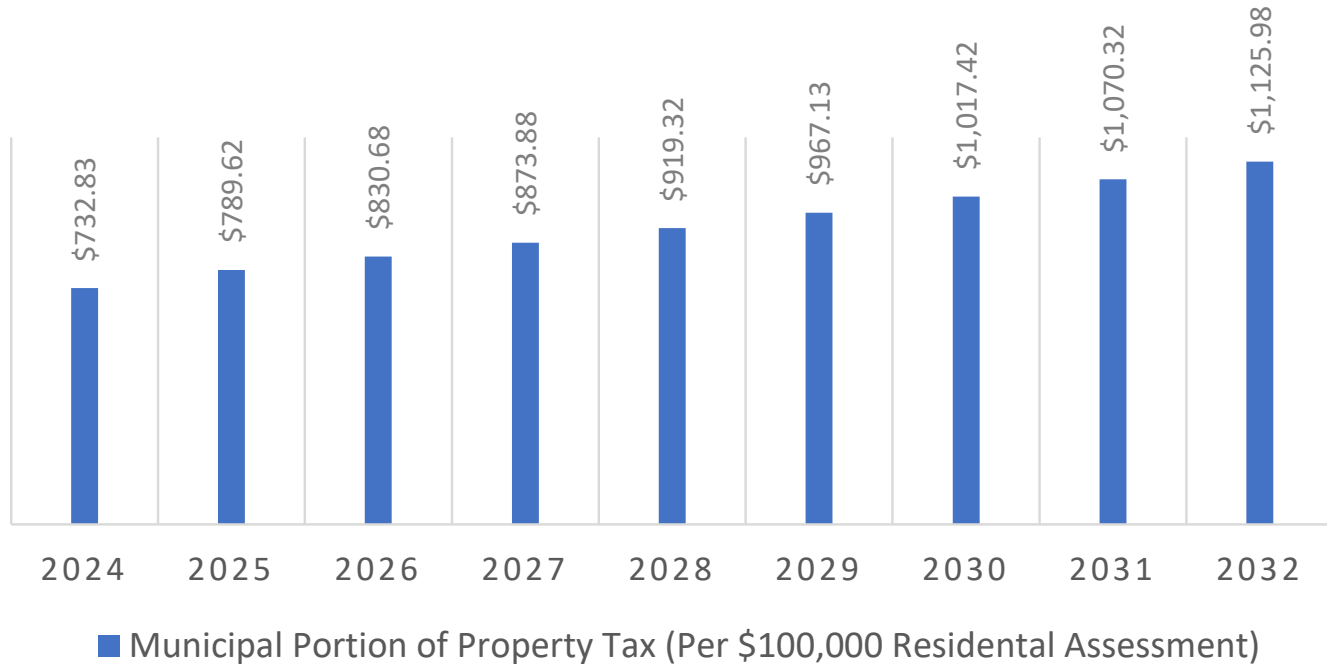
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WHAT THE  
CONTINUAL  
COMMITMENT  
TO 4.2% FOR  
CAPITAL  
REPRESENTS  
(IN DOLLARS)

Annual Capital Contributions from Levy



## ASSET MANAGEMENT TAX RATE IMPACTS



WHAT THE  
CONTINUAL  
COMMITMENT  
TO 4.2% FOR  
CAPITAL  
REPRESENTS (IN  
TAX RATE  
INCREASE)

## ESTIMATED EFFECT ON TAX RATES (OPTION I)

	2025	2024
Residential Tax Rate	0.00789623	0.00732832
Assessment	\$100,000	\$100,000
Tax per \$100,000 Assessment	\$789.62	\$732.83
Increase per \$100,000 Assessment	\$56.79	

	2025	2024
Median Single Family Detached Assessment	\$179,000	\$179,000
Lower Tier Municipal Tax	\$1,413.43	\$1,311.77
Increase in Municipal Tax	\$101.66	

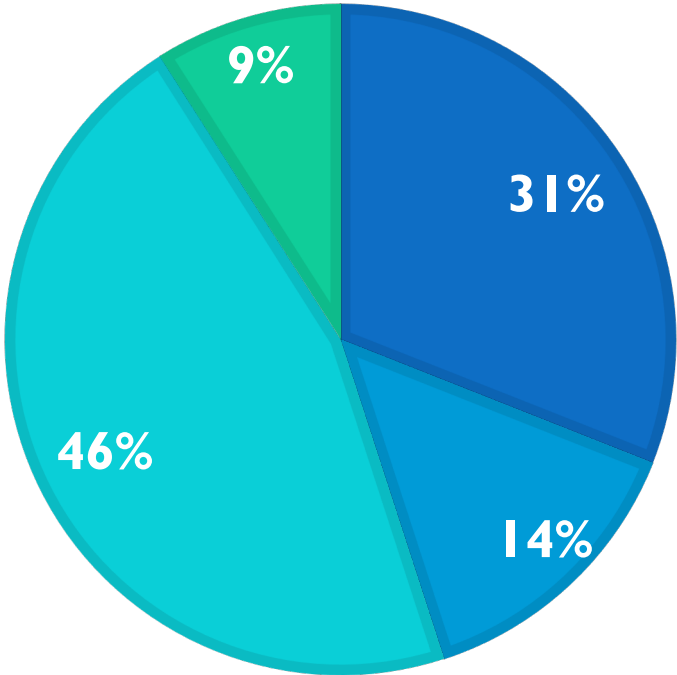
## ESTIMATED EFFECT ON TAX RATES (OPTION 2) (NOT CHOSEN)

	2025	2024
Residential Tax Rate	0.00783289	0.00732832
Assessment	\$100,000	\$100,000
Tax per \$100,000 Assessment	\$783.30	\$732.83
Increase per \$100,000 Assessment	\$50.47	

	2025	2024
Median Single Family Detached Assessment	\$179,000	\$179,000
Lower Tier Municipal Tax	\$1,402.09	\$1,311.77
Increase in Municipal Tax	\$90.32	

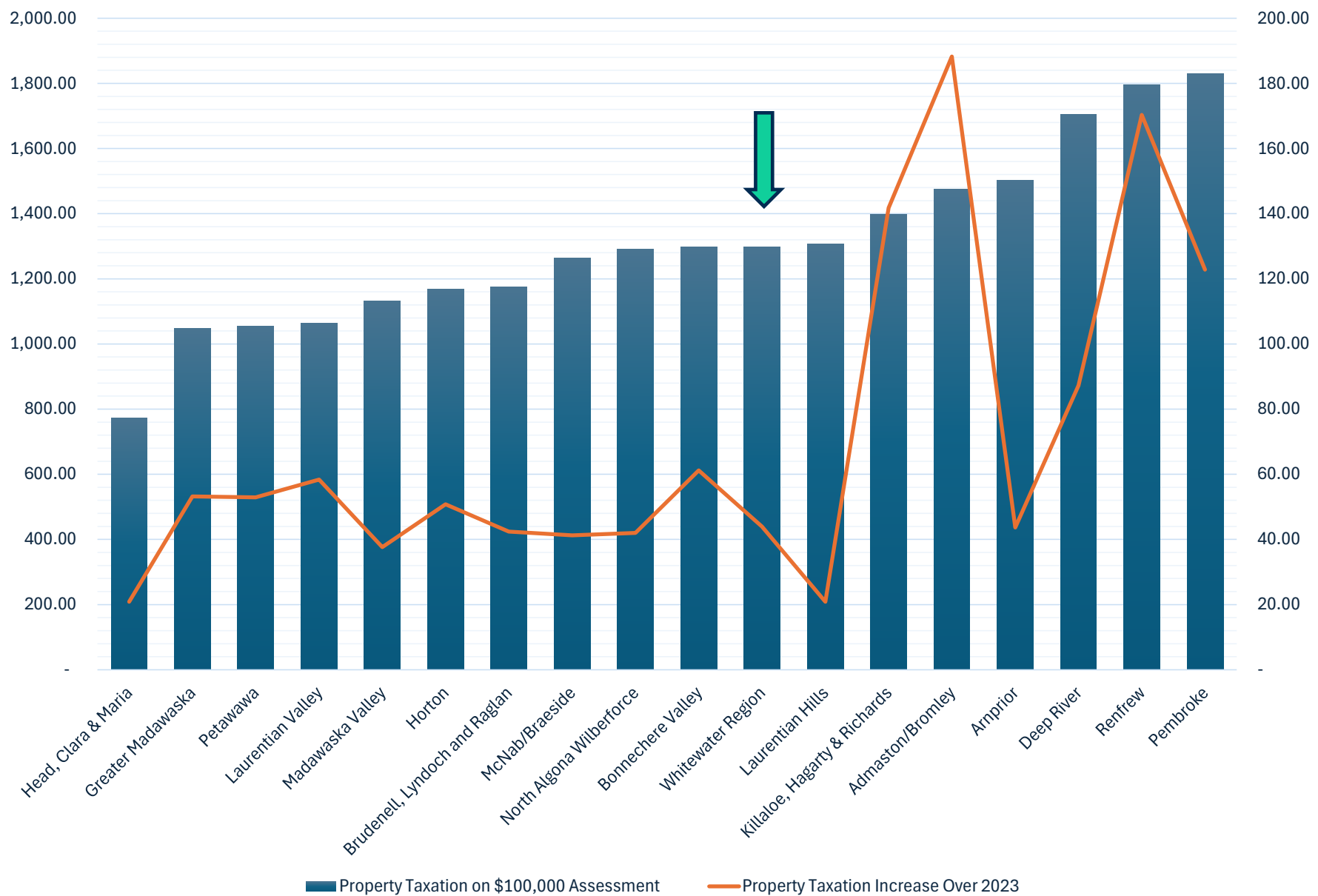
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**YOUR TAX DOLLAR (ESTIMATED 2025)**

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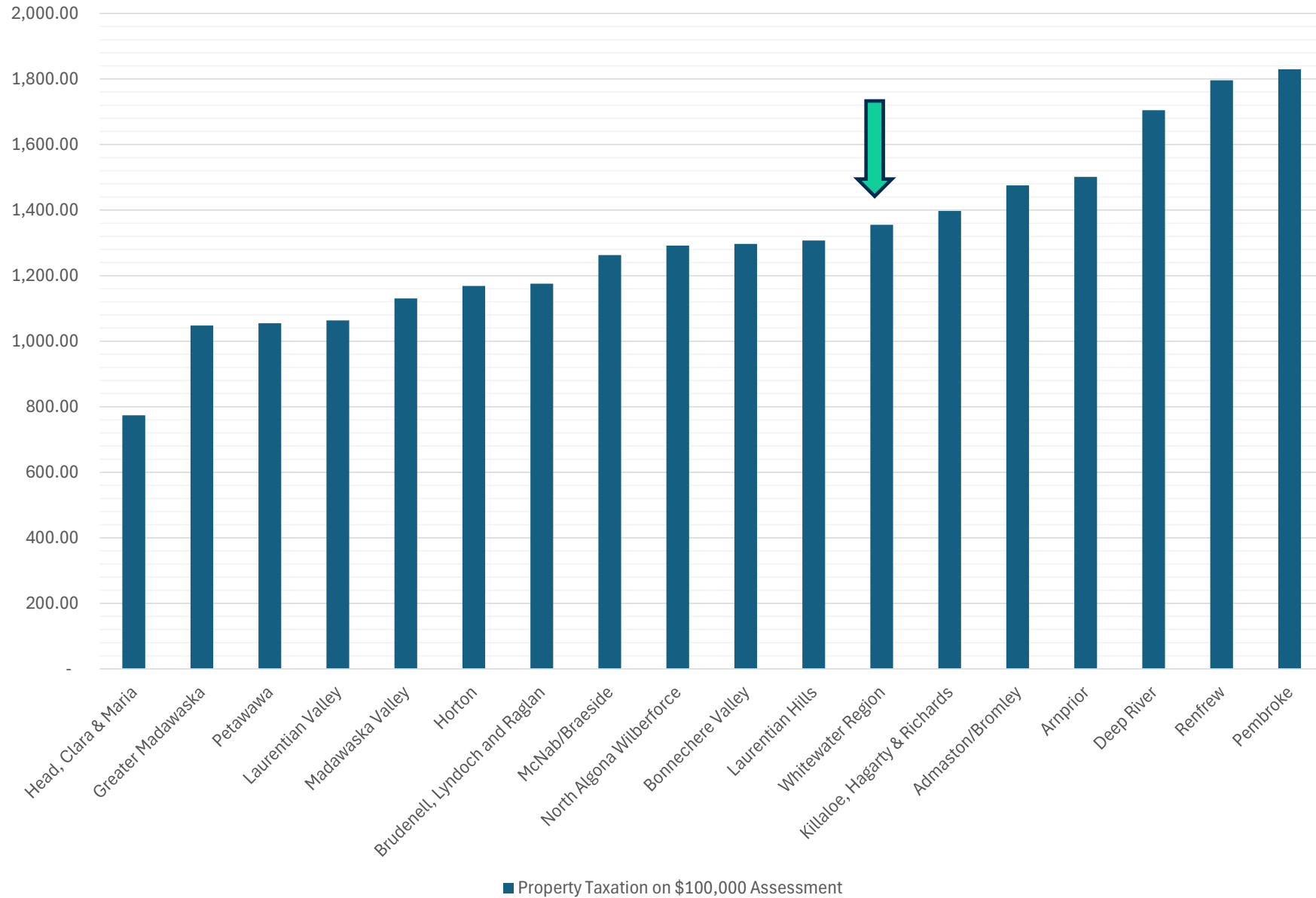


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## County-Wide Property Taxation Comparison



The blue bars illustrate total taxation values calculated using \$100,000 assessment. (Municipal, County, & Education)



An aerial photograph of a river with white water rapids. The water is a mix of white foam and deep blue. The rapids are turbulent and create a complex pattern of white foam. The surrounding water is a deep, clear blue. The overall scene is dynamic and energetic.

# WATER & WASTEWATER



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# KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- 
- Water increase 3.0%
    - Driving factors:
      - OCWA Contract
      - Debentures
  - Wastewater increase 3.0%
    - Driving factors:
      - OCWA Contract
      - Debentures

# WATER & WASTEWATER RATE INCREASE HISTORY

## Water Rates

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025 Proposed	2026-2029 Proposed
Actual Increase	21%	9%	2%	9.3%	8.5%	3.0%	8.8% - 6.9%
Rate Study Recommended	20%	10%	10%	10%	10%	8%	6% down to 3%

## Wastewater Rates

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025 Proposed	2026-2029 Proposed
Actual Increase	20%	30%	5%	12%	12.55%	3.0%	3% - 2.75%
Rate Study Recommended	20%	60%	5%	4%	3%	2%	2%

# WATER

## 2024

■ Revenue	\$1,338,400
■ Salary	\$48,480
■ FTE	0.41
■ Contract	\$508,800
■ Debt	\$210,000
■ Electricity and Gas	\$74,400
■ Other (e.g. R&M, Capital)	\$286,900
■ Transfer to reserve	\$209,820

## 2025 (Presented)

■ Revenue	\$1,496,602
■ User fees	\$1,377,700
■ OCIF Transfer	\$ 100,502
■ Fire Dept Usage	\$ 10,000
■ Water Connect & Penalty	\$ 8,000
■ Salary	\$48,950
■ FTE	0.40
■ Contract	\$598,000
■ Debt	\$207,550
■ Electricity and Gas	\$74,400
■ Other (e.g. R&M, Capital)	\$226,025
■ Transfer to reserve	\$341,677

## 2025 (Amended)

■ Revenue	\$1,496,602
■ User fees	\$1,377,700
■ OCIF Transfer	\$ 100,502
■ Fire Dept Usage	\$ 10,000
■ Water Connect & Penalty	\$ 8,000
■ Salary	\$49,250
■ FTE	0.40
■ Contract	\$577,800
■ Debt	\$207,550
■ Electricity and Gas	\$74,400
■ Other (e.g. R&M, Capital)	\$226,400
■ Transfer to reserve	\$361,202

# PROPOSED CAPITAL & SPECIAL PROJECT: WATER

Description	Type	Capital or Special Project	New/ Replacement	Cost	Funded By
Generator Fencing - Cobden	Building	Capital	New	\$15,000	Rates

# WATER RATES

Class	2024 Rate	2025 Rate	Total Change	Billing Change
Residential	\$1,173.33	\$1,208.53	\$35.20	\$5.87
Small Commercial	\$1,173.33	\$1,208.53	\$35.20	\$5.87
Medium Commercial	\$1,761.22	\$1,814.06	\$52.84	\$8.81
High Commercial	\$2,347.87	\$2,418.31	\$70.44	\$11.74
Multi-residential	\$938.67	\$966.83	\$28.16	\$4.69
Metered	\$2.041	\$2.102	\$0.061	N/A

# WASTEWATER

## 2024

■ Revenue	\$1,095,200
■ Salary	\$19,400
■ FTE	0.16
■ Contract	\$427,800
■ Electricity and Gas	\$139,100
■ Debt	\$318,000
■ Other (e.g. R&M, Capital)	\$178,500
■ Transfer to reserve	\$12,400

## 2025 (Presented)

■ Revenue	\$1,413,568
■ OCIF Transfer	\$278,318
■ Penalty	\$7,600
■ Salary	\$19,020
■ FTE	0.15
■ Contract	\$473,950
■ Electricity and Gas	\$139,100
■ Debt	\$318,000
■ Other (e.g. R&M, Capital)	\$230,650
■ Transfer to reserve	\$232,848

## 2025 (Amended)

■ Revenue	\$1,413,568
■ OCIF Transfer	\$278,318
■ Penalty	\$7,600
■ Salary	\$19,150
■ FTE	0.15
■ Contract	\$463,250
■ Electricity and Gas	\$139,100
■ Debt	\$318,000
■ Other (e.g. R&M, Capital)	\$230,775
■ Transfer to reserve	\$243,293



# PROPOSED CAPITAL & SPECIAL PROJECT: WASTEWATER

Description	Type	Capital or Special Project	New/ Replacement	Cost	Funded By
Electric Chain Lift	Equipment	Capital	New	\$30,000	Rates
Permeate Rotary Lobe Pump	Equipment	Capital	Replacement	\$35,000	Rates

# WASTEWATER RATES

Class	2024 Rate	2025 Rate	Total Change	Billing Change
Residential	\$1,901.73	\$1,958.78	\$57.05	\$9.51
Small Commercial	\$1,901.73	\$1,958.78	\$57.05	\$9.51
Medium Commercial	\$2,851.92	\$2,927.48	\$85.56	\$14.26
High Commercial	\$3,803.39	\$3,917.49	\$114.10	\$19.02
Multi-residential	\$1,521.89	\$1,567.55	\$45.66	\$7.61
Metered	\$4.914	\$5.016	\$0.102	N/A

# WATER & WASTEWATER COMBINED

Class	2024 Rate	2025 Rate	Annual Change	Billing Change
Residential	\$3,075.06	\$3,167.31	\$92.25	\$15.38
Small Commercial	\$3,075.06	\$3,167.31	\$92.25	\$15.38
Medium Commercial	\$4,613.13	\$4,751.53	\$138.39	\$23.07
High Commercial	\$6,151.27	\$6,335.80	\$184.54	\$30.67
Multi-residential	\$2,460.56	\$2,534.38	\$73.82	\$12.30
Metered	\$6.96	\$7.16	\$0.20	N/A

# ESTIMATED EFFECT ON MEDIAN SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED (OPTION I)\*

	<b>MUNICIPAL TAX, WATER AND WASTEWATER**</b>	<b>MUNICIPAL TAX AND WATER**</b>	<b>MUNICIPAL TAX ONLY**</b>
2024	\$4,526.06	\$2,624.33	\$1,451
2025	\$4,730.31	\$2,771.53	\$1,563
Change	\$204.25	\$147.20	\$112
Monthly Change	\$17.02	\$12.27	\$9.33

\*Based on \$198,000 assessment.

\*\*Does not include Education or County portion of property taxation.

# ESTIMATED EFFECT ON MEDIAN SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED (OPTION 2)\* (NOT CHOSEN)

	<del>MUNICIPAL TAX, WATER AND WASTEWATER**</del>	<del>MUNICIPAL TAX AND WATER**</del>	<del>MUNICIPAL TAX ONLY**</del>
2024	<del>\$4,526.06</del>	<del>\$2,624.33</del>	<del>\$1,451</del>
2025	<del>\$4,718.31</del>	<del>\$2,759.53</del>	<del>\$1,551</del>
Change	<del>\$192.25</del>	<del>\$135.20</del>	<del>\$100</del>
Monthly Change	<del>\$16.02</del>	<del>\$11.27</del>	<del>\$8.33</del>

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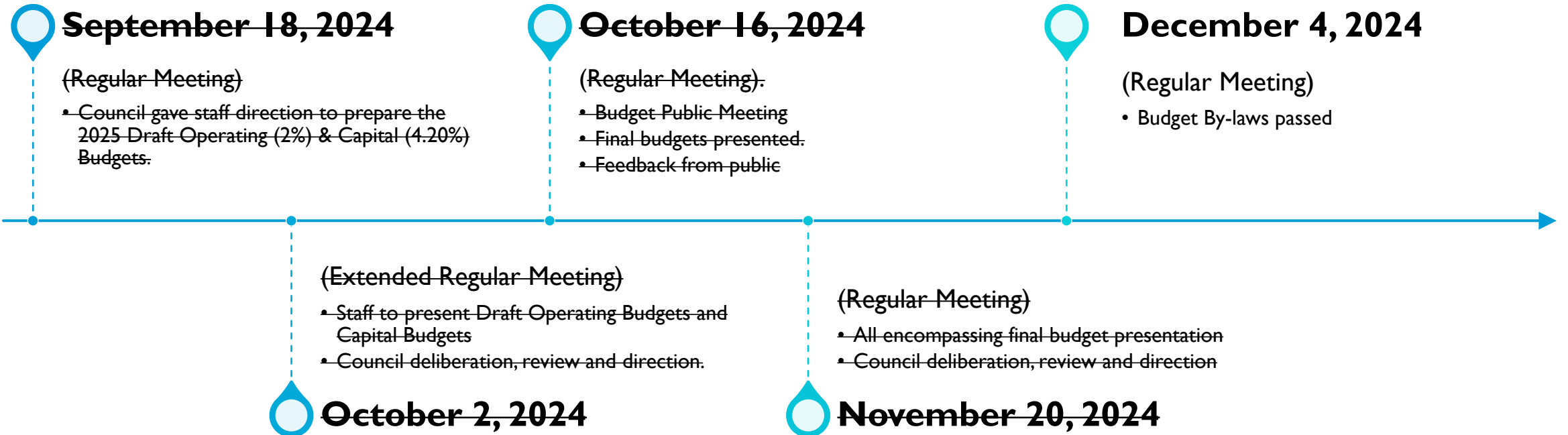
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## COUNCIL DIRECTION

1. Accept the proposed 2025 Water and Wastewater budgets and rates as presented by staff and bring forward for by-law approval.
- ~~2. Amend the proposed 2025 Water and Wastewater budgets and rates as presented by staff and bring forward for by-law approval.~~

~~Council Amendments:~~

# BUDGET SCHEDULE





THANK YOU