



Cobourg Taxpayers Association

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Town Seeking Input on 2018-2022 Strategic Plan

In February Council participated in a two-day Strategic Planning session to create the 2018-2022 Strategic Plan. They are now embarking on their Public Engagement Plan to collect your feedback.

Public Meeting

Date: Monday, April 8, 2019 | Time: 5 p.m.

Location: Victoria Hall, 55 King St. W. | Room: Council Chambers

For more information, you can go to the Town's web site page:

[Council's Strategic Plan](#)

Here you will find more information on:

- [Draft 2018-2022 Strategic Plan](#)
- [Summary notes](#)

- [Feedback Form.](#)
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Development Charges



What the Heck is a Development Charge?

When a town grows with new housing, infrastructure – waste treatment plants, arterial roads, parks, hockey arenas, library, public transit, etc. – must be expanded and this requires money. It is unreasonable that long-time residents have to pay for the needs of the newcomers. To ensure fairness each new building is assessed a “development charge” (DC) to fund infrastructure upgrades. For new detached and semi-detached residences in Cobourg the development charges are almost \$28,000. New apartments are charged about \$21,500. New industrial buildings pay about \$115 per square meter of floor space. You can view the Town's development charge fees here:

[Town of Cobourg Development Charges](#)

Some have suggested that Cobourg eliminate development charges to make housing more affordable. Eliminating development charges for new construction would increase the property taxes of current residents to pay for the needs of new residents.

A news article was published this week that the Ontario government may be considering some significant changes to development charges.

[Your Water Bill Might Skyrocket in Mississauga Due to Doug Ford Policies Soon](#)

We will keep you updated as we learn more.

Help Us To Be Heard

Get involved! If you like what you see and have like-minded friends or neighbours, please share this email with at least two of your contacts. Together we can make sure that residents are well informed about the Town issues that affect us all. Help make Cobourg a better place to live, work and play.



PLEASE DONATE TO THE CTA

The CTA is completely volunteer run with no paid staff, no funding from government or special interests. Donations will be used to pay for Freedom of Information requests, our website, and other expenses.

Cheques are also welcomed and can be sent to:

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