

YORK REGION DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

And

YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGE POLICY REVIEW PUBLIC MEETING

Tuesday, April 9, 2024, 6:30pm

YCDSB Board Room, 320 Bloomington Road West, Aurora, Ontario

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Agenda

1. Introduction/Roll Call by Elizabeth Crowe, Chair of the Board – YCDSB
2. Introduction/Roll Call by Ron Lynn, Chair of the Board – YRDSB
- 2** 3. Opening Prayer and Land Acknowledgement – On Reverse
4. Call to Order and Approval of the Agenda
 - Approval of Agenda by YRDSB (including invitation for motion to waive delegation requirements by YRDSB)
 - Approval of Agenda by YCDSB (including invitation for motion to waive delegation requirements by YCDSB)
5. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest by each Board
6. Opening Remarks by Chairs of both Boards
- 3** 7. Invitation by Chair of the YRDSB to Jack Ammendolia of Watson & Associates to review the Boards' existing EDC policies
8. Invitation by Chair of the YCDSB to Jim Easto of Keel Cottrelle LLP to make a presentation on the policy review
9. Invitation by Chair of the YCDSB to receive any submissions from the public
10. Invitation by Chair of the YRDSB to hear any delegations
11. Motion by YRDSB Trustees to receive the reports of the consultants, submissions and delegations
12. Motion by YCDSB Trustees to receive the reports of the consultants, submissions and delegations
13. Closing Remarks by both Chairs
14. Motion to Adjourn by Trustees of both Boards

**Lord,
We are gathered in Your presence united.
Strengthen our hearts and fill us with joy
because You guide everything on earth.
May we be comforted through all eternity
in this kingdom.
Amen.**

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We are gathered on the ancestral lands and waters of all Indigenous Peoples, who have left their footprints on Mother Earth before us.

We respectfully acknowledge, those who have walked on it, those who walk on it now, and future generations who have yet to walk upon it.

We pray to the Creator for strength and wisdom that all may continue to serve as stewards of the earth.



Education Development Charges Public Meetings

York Region District School Board
York Catholic District School Board

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Public Meeting #1

EDC Policy

Review



What Is An Education Development Charge?

- An Education Development Charge is a development charge that is imposed under a bylaw respecting growth-related net education land costs incurred or proposed to be incurred by a School Board.
- This means it is a charge that is levied on new development that is paid by the developer/permit taker when the building permit is issued by the municipality.
- The revenue collected from the charge is then used by a school board to purchase land/school sites for new schools to be built upon.

Policy Review Public Meeting



Each EDC by-law has a set of underlying policies which help determine the structure and type of by-law that will be enacted.

Provincial legislation dictates that each School Board with an existing EDC by-law must conduct a review of its EDC policies prior to renewing their EDC by-law.

Section 257.60 sub-section (1) of the Education Act states that:

“Before passing an education development charge by-law, the board shall conduct a review of the education development charge policies of the board.”

EDC Policies



- Policy decisions made by the Board can play a key role in determining things like:
 - areas to which the bylaw applies,
 - the ability to have different charges for different types of housing developments, or
 - how much of the eventual charge is to be borne by residential or non-residential development.



Percentage of growth-related net education land costs to be borne through EDCs

- **Exemptions**

School boards typically try to collect 100% of education land costs however exemptions in the EDC bylaws may result in less than 100% of land costs being collected. There are two types of exemptions, statutory and non-statutory. A statutory exemption is determined through the legislation and a non-statutory exemption is a 'voluntary' exemption.



Jurisdiction Wide vs. Area Municipal (or Sub Area) Charges

The existing EDC bylaws apply to the Region of York. All the bylaws are applied in a uniform way (the same EDC rate) across the area of the bylaw.

Percentage of net education land costs to be borne by residential and non-residential development

School boards can allocate up to 40% of their EDC to non-residential development. The average around the Province is approximately 10% but ranges from 0% to the mid-20's.

The existing bylaws both have a 10% non-residential allocation.



Uniform charges for all types of development vs. differentiated charges

School boards can have one rate that applies to all types of residential development in the same way (i.e. a low-density single family type home pays the same rate as a townhouse or a condo) or the school board can have a different rate dependent on the type of residential development.

All the EDC bylaws in Ontario are applied uniformly, like the current EDC bylaws for the YRDSB and YCDSB.

QUESTIONS?