

City of Hamilton GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE ADDENDUM

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Date: March 2, 2020

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Location: Council Chambers, Hamilton City Hall

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INFORMATION REPORT

Mayor and Members General Issues Committee
March 2, 2020
2019 Assessment Growth (FCS20019) (City Wide)
City Wide
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INFORMATION

Assessment growth is the change in the assessment base due to new properties, deleted rolls, as well as changes in the assessment of existing properties. Positive net assessment growth from 2019 has a positive impact on 2020 taxation by generating additional property tax revenue.

The final 2019 net assessment growth used for 2020 taxation purposes is 1.2%, which is equivalent to approximately \$10.6 M in new tax revenue as shown in Table 1.

TABLE 1
2019 ASSESSMENT GROWTH

(Gross/Net)										
Increases	\$	11,878,100	1.3%							
Decreases	\$	(1,243,300)	-0.1%							
Total	\$	10,634,800	1.2%							

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Table 2 provides a historical look at the City's recent assessment growth.

TABLE 2

NET ASSESSMENT GROWTH 2015 - 2019

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total	1.6%	0.7%	1.4%	1.2%	1.2%
Residential	1.3%	0.6%	1.3%	0.9%	1.1%
Non-Residential	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%	0.1%

It is important to note that the 1.2% growth is a net figure which takes into account both new construction / supplementary taxes (increase in assessment), as well as, write-offs / successful appeals, etc. (decrease in assessment). An existing property's assessment can change for many reasons, some of which include: a change as a result of a Request for Reconsideration (RfR) or Assessment Review Board decision; a change to the actual property (i.e. new structure, addition, removal of old structure); or a change in classification (i.e. property class change). In addition, Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) conducts regular reviews of properties, both individually and at the sector level, analyzing changing market conditions and economic trends to determine any potential changes in valuation in order to ensure that assessments are up to date and are reflective of the properties' current state.

It is important to note that year-over-year increases in assessment that are related to the four-year phase-in reassessment cycle do not count as assessment growth and, therefore, do not result in additional tax revenue for the City.

Since each property class has its own specific tax ratio, some assessment changes have a larger impact on the net assessment growth than others. An assessment change on an industrial property (with a 2019 tax ratio of 3.3696) has a far greater impact on the net assessment growth than a similar assessment change on a residential property (with a tax ratio of 1.0000). As such, assessment reductions on a few properties (particularly in the industrial, large industrial and commercial property classes) can reduce the overall net assessment growth, regardless of large growth in the residential property class.

Table 3 breaks down the 2019 assessment growth into major property classes.

TABLE 3

2019 TOTAL ASSESSMENT GROWTH BY CLASS

	Change in Unweighted Assessment		hange in Iunicipal Taxes	% Class Change		% of Total Change
Residential	\$ 1,010,370,800	\$	9,788,000	1.6%		1.1%
Multi-Residential	\$ 3,395,700	\$	(167,400)	-0.2%		0.0%
Commercial	\$ 30,052,900	\$	491,100	0.3%		0.1%
Industrial	\$ 11,476,700	\$	232,500	0.6%	I	0.0%
Other	\$ 15,455,600	\$	290,700	3.9%		0.0%
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Total	\$ 1,070,751,600	\$1	0,634,800	1.2%		1.2%

Anomalies due to rounding

The change in unweighted assessment is the net change in the assessment base for each property class. The change in municipal taxes is the increase or decrease in the tax revenue for the City resulting from the change in unweighted assessment.

The percentage of class change column is the change in municipal taxes from the previous year for the class, while the percentage of total change column represents the contribution of each class to the total assessment growth increase.

The change in unweighted assessment recorded in 2019 of \$1,071 M is in line with the strong construction activity in the City. The value of building permits has exceeded the \$1.0 B mark for eight consecutive years and reached a record of \$1.4 B in 2019. The value of building permits includes the construction value of Government / Institutional properties which are tax exempt and, therefore, will not result in additional revenue for the City.

Residential Property Class

The residential property class continues to have a strong building activity and remains the main driver of the assessment growth in the City with an increase of 1.6% from last year, which represents additional tax revenue of \$9.8 M. The residential property class contributed approximately 90% of the total assessment growth of 1.2%.

Ward 9 continues to be the area of the City with the largest year-over-year assessment growth (5.6%) with a large number of residential developments including single homes, townhouses and condos. Wards 10, 12 and 15 also continue to have significant residential assessment growth.

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Additional details of the residential property class assessment growth by ward can be found in Appendix "A" to Report FCS20019 "2019 Assessment Growth".

Multi-Residential and New Multi-Residential Property Classes

Assessment changes in the multi-residential property class (combined) resulted in a net decline in municipal property taxes of \$167 K or -0.2% from the previous year. This is mostly the result of multi-residential properties being converted to condominiums. The negative effect of these conversions is partially mitigated by a new multi-residential high rise on Cannon Street East.

Conversions affect the tax revenue for the City since the property tax classification changes from multi-residential which has a tax ratio of 2.5671 to residential which has a tax ratio of 1.0000. In addition, although the newly converted condominiums are assessed at a higher value than the multi-residential units, the valuation is generally lower than comparable properties in the market.

The tax revenue from the multi-residential property class has also been affected negatively since 2017 when restrictions were imposed on the multi-residential property class preventing municipalities from increasing taxes beyond the 2016 level, effectively reducing the valuation and tax rate for the multi-residential property class. Therefore, any increases in the multi-residential property class are taxed at a lower rate than in previous years.

Commercial Property Class

During 2019, the commercial property class had a minimal net increase of 0.3% which represents \$0.5 M in additional tax revenue to the City, contributing 0.1% to the overall assessment growth. It is important to note that although there were a large number of assessment increases of approximately \$53 M, the commercial property class experienced a notable decrease in the assessment base due to appeals and requests for reconsiderations (RfR). The total assessment decrease was approximately \$23 M. Report FCS20019 will present a summary of some of the most significant changes, but details of the appeals will be brought for Council's consideration in the "Annual Assessment Appeals as of December 31, 2019" report, scheduled for the spring of 2020.

Assessment increases in the commercial property class are partially driven by previously reported developments that have continued their expansion and have been occupied by new tenants. Some of these commercial developments include Winona Crossing Shopping Centre, Clappison Power Centre, Heritage Green Shopping Centre as well as the commercial plaza on Portia Drive (Ancaster). It is important to note that these developments are spread across the City reflecting commercial trends and community needs.

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Other assessment increases recorded in 2019 in the commercial property class include:

- Stryker in Flamborough (development in progress)
- Commercial plaza on Upper Sherman and Rymal in Hamilton (No Frills)
- New commercial / flex building in the Stoney Creek commercial park
- New warehouse in Stoney Creek
- New Medical Building in Ancaster
- Hamilton Volkswagen on Upper James, Hamilton
- Terra Greenhouse in Glanbrook
- Restoration projects in downtown Hamilton (Bread Bar, Prowind, Hifyre)
- New / Change of tenants in the Ancaster Industrial Park
- New / Change of tenants in the Hamilton Port Authority
- Renovations at The Keg on Upper James, Hamilton

In addition, there are a number of large pieces of land that are in the process of being developed and, therefore, are not fully taxable as of yet. Some examples are the L3 Wescam headquarters in Flamborough and a commercial plaza at Trinity Church and Rymal Road East (Hamilton).

As previously mentioned, notwithstanding all the expansions and new developments, the commercial property class has experienced a notable decrease in the assessment base. The main reason is the large number of appeals and RfR's that are being settled with significantly lower assessments. Some of the most notable appeals are:

- Flamborough Power Centre
- Smart Centres on Centennial Parkway
- Waterdown Supercentre
- Eastgate Shopping Mall
- Other commercial plazas across the City
- Commercial Warehouse in Stoney Creek
- Walmart
- Large office building downtown (1 King Street West)
- Medical building (part of former Chedoke Hospital)
- Hamilton Hyundai
- Lowe's

Industrial Property Class

The industrial property class had an overall assessment growth of 0.6% resulting in additional tax revenue of \$0.2 M.

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The following are some examples of properties in the industrial property class that experienced growth either through expansions, renovations or new developments:

- Industrial lands on Nebo Road and Twenty Road (development in progress)
- New industrial lands on Tradewind Drive (converted from farm)
- New industrial mall in Dundas
- Bennet Mechanical Installations
- Nova Steel
- Green Relief Cannabis

As in 2018, most of the assessment decreases in the Industrial property class were due to reclassification from the industrial property class to the commercial property class and not from erosion of the assessment base.

Changes between Industrial and Commercial Property Class

Some of the mixed-used properties (properties with more than one property class) have assessment changes with one or more property classes increasing and the remaining property classes decreasing. The total change may be either an increase or decrease to the property's total assessment. The reason for the change in assessment may be due to a successful assessment appeal, a change in class or a change in use of the property. The net change for each individual class is recorded in its respective category.

Other Classes

The other classes (farmland awaiting development, pipelines, landfills, farm and managed forest) had a minimal increase of \$0.3 M in tax revenue. Due to low tax ratio of these classes, assessment increases do not result in significant tax revenue. Changes in these classes are also due to RfR and reclassifications from farmland awaiting development to residential, multi-residential or commercial. Overall, the changes in the other classes are not substantial and do not have a significant impact on the City's assessment growth.

Assessment Growth by Ward

Table 4 breaks down the 2019 assessment growth by Ward.

TABLE 4

2019 TOTAL ASSESSMENT GROWTH

BY WARD

	Change in Unweighted Assessment	Char	nge in Municipal Taxes	% Ward Change	% of Total Change
Ward 1	\$ 39,331,700	\$	454,200	0.8%	0.1%
Ward 2	\$ 87,666,100	\$	818,600	1.4%	0.1%
Ward 3	\$ 16,882,600	\$	178,500	0.4%	0.0%
Ward 4	\$ 7,244,900	\$	38,600	0.1%	0.0%
Ward 5	\$ (13,488,800)	\$	(303,400)	-0.5%	0.0%
Ward 6	\$ 14,432,800	\$	159,400	0.3%	0.0%
Ward 7	\$ 24,944,800	\$	317,900	0.5%	0.0%
Ward 8	\$ 5,337,100	\$	3,300	0.0%	0.0%
Ward 9	\$ 233,291,600	\$	2,356,500	5.1%	0.3%
Ward 10	\$ 169,843,200	\$	1,656,900	2.2%	0.2%
Ward 11	\$ 40,527,300	\$	513,400	1.2%	0.1%
Ward 12	\$ 264,165,000	\$	2,681,900	2.9%	0.3%
Ward 13	\$ 34,451,700	\$	400,400	0.7%	0.0%
Ward 14	\$ (810,800)	\$	(60,600)	-0.1%	0.0%
Ward 15	\$ 146,932,400	\$	1,419,400	2.4%	0.2%
Total	\$ 1,070,751,600	\$	10,634,800	1.2%	1.2%

Anomalies due to rounding

Additional assessment growth tables by tax class and ward are available in Appendix "A" to Report FCS20019 "2019 Assessment Growth".

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix "A" to Report FCS20019 – 2019 Assessment Growth by Ward and Class

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2019 RESIDENTIAL ASSESSMENT GROWTH BY WARD

	Change in Unweighted Assessment		Change in nicipal Taxes	% Ward Change ¹	% of Total Change
Ward 1	\$ 36,097,200	\$	382,900	1.0%	0.1%
Ward 2	\$ 83,617,400	\$	886,900	4.2%	0.1%
Ward 3	\$ 14,456,900	\$	153,300	0.6%	0.0%
Ward 4	\$ 10,575,300	\$	112,200	0.4%	0.0%
Ward 5	\$ 943,200	\$	10,500	0.0%	0.0%
Ward 6	\$ 8,208,400	\$	87,100	0.2%	0.0%
Ward 7	\$ 19,652,400	\$	208,400	0.5%	0.0%
Ward 8	\$ 10,142,000	\$	107,600	0.3%	0.0%
Ward 9	\$ 219,614,500	\$	2,105,100	5.6%	0.3%
Ward 10	\$ 156,187,900	\$	1,485,300	2.9%	0.2%
Ward 11	\$ 26,464,000	\$	227,800	0.7%	0.0%
Ward 12	\$ 233,031,500	\$	2,238,100	3.0%	0.4%
Ward 13	\$ 42,512,200	\$	366,300	0.7%	0.1%
Ward 14	\$ 3,847,000	\$	38,900	0.1%	0.0%
Ward 15	\$ 145,020,900	\$	1,377,700	2.9%	0.2%
Total	\$ 1,010,370,800	\$	9,788,000	1.6%	1.6%

¹% change in respective property class

Anomalies due to rounding

2019 MULTI-RESIDENTIAL ASSESSMENT GROWTH BY WARD

	ι	Change in Inweighted Assessment		Change in icipal Taxes	% Ward Change ¹	% of Total Change
Ward 1	\$	1,078,600	\$	29,400	0.3%	0.0%
Ward 2	\$	16,502,100	\$	185,600	1.0%	0.2%
Ward 3	\$	(1,753,400)	\$	(64,300)	-1.0%	-0.1%
Ward 4	\$	(935,300)	\$	(25,500)	-0.6%	0.0%
Ward 5	\$	-	\$	-	0.0%	0.0%
Ward 6	\$	(300,000)	\$	(8,200)	-0.2%	0.0%
Ward 7	\$	-	\$	-	0.0%	0.0%
Ward 8	\$	(952,300)	\$	(25,900)	-0.8%	0.0%
Ward 9	\$	368,300	\$	4,300	0.6%	0.0%
Ward 10	\$	(8,346,500)	\$	(205,100)	-26.2%	-0.3%
Ward 11	\$	-	\$	-	0.0%	0.0%
Ward 12	\$	(2,140,200)	\$	(52,900)	-29.0%	-0.1%
Ward 13	\$	513,100	\$	12,600	0.4%	0.0%
Ward 14	\$	(638,800)	\$	(17,400)	-0.6%	0.0%
Ward 15	\$	-	\$	-	0.0%	0.0%
Total	\$	3,395,700	\$	(167,400)	-0.2%	-0.4%

¹% change in respective property class

Anomalies due to rounding

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2019 COMMERCIAL ASSESSMENT GROWTH BY WARD

	Change in Unweighted Assessment	Mu	Change in nicipal Taxes		% Ward Change ¹	% of Total change
Ward 1	\$ 2,155,900	\$	41,900		0.6%	0.0%
Ward 2	\$ (12,931,300)	\$	(271,600)		-1.6%	-0.2%
Ward 3	\$ 3,840,700	\$	78,200		0.8%	0.1%
Ward 4	\$ (2,433,000)	\$	(53,400)		-0.4%	0.0%
Ward 5	\$ (14,278,500)	\$	(298,800)		-1.8%	-0.2%
Ward 6	\$ 10,529,300	\$	223,200		2.2%	0.1%
Ward 7	\$ 4,924,200	\$	103,400		0.7%	0.1%
Ward 8	\$ (3,848,200)	\$	(78,300)		-0.8%	-0.1%
Ward 9	\$ 8,159,200	\$	151,200		2.0%	0.1%
Ward 10	\$ 28,665,500	\$	523,500		3.8%	0.3%
Ward 11	\$ 1,305,900	\$	20,500		0.7%	0.0%
Ward 12	\$ 7,052,700	\$	129,700		1.0%	0.1%
Ward 13	\$ (175,200)	\$	(2,900)		-0.1%	0.0%
Ward 14	\$ (3,900,600)	\$	(81,900)		-3.0%	-0.1%
Ward 15	\$ 986,500	\$	6,500		0.1%	0.0%
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Total	\$ 30,052,900	\$	491,100		0.3%	0.3%

^{1%} change in respective property class Anomalies due to rounding

2019 INDUSTRIAL ASSESSMENT GROWTH BY WARD

	Change in Unweighted Assessment	Mu	Change in inicipal Taxes	% Ward Change ¹	% of Total Change
Ward 1	\$ -	\$	-	0.0%	0.0%
Ward 2	\$ 477,900	\$	17,700	2.8%	0.0%
Ward 3	\$ 338,500	\$	11,200	0.2%	0.0%
Ward 4	\$ 37,800	\$	5,200	0.1%	0.0%
Ward 5	\$ (153,400)	\$	(15,000)	-0.6%	0.0%
Ward 6	\$ (4,093,500)	\$	(142,800)	-7.6%	-0.3%
Ward 7	\$ -	\$	-	0.0%	0.0%
Ward 8	\$ -	\$	-	0.0%	0.0%
Ward 9	\$ 4,570,500	\$	95,300	40.8%	0.2%
Ward 10	\$ (6,923,700)	\$	(147,100)	-1.6%	-0.4%
Ward 11	\$ 9,757,100	\$	196,900	4.8%	0.5%
Ward 12	\$ 8,686,900	\$	216,500	6.7%	0.5%
Ward 13	\$ 1,546,500	\$	39,100	3.0%	0.1%
Ward 14	\$ -	\$	-	0.0%	0.0%
Ward 15	\$ (2,767,900)	\$	(44,300)	-2.6%	-0.1%
Total	\$ 11,476,700	\$	232,500	0.6%	0.6%

¹% change in respective property class

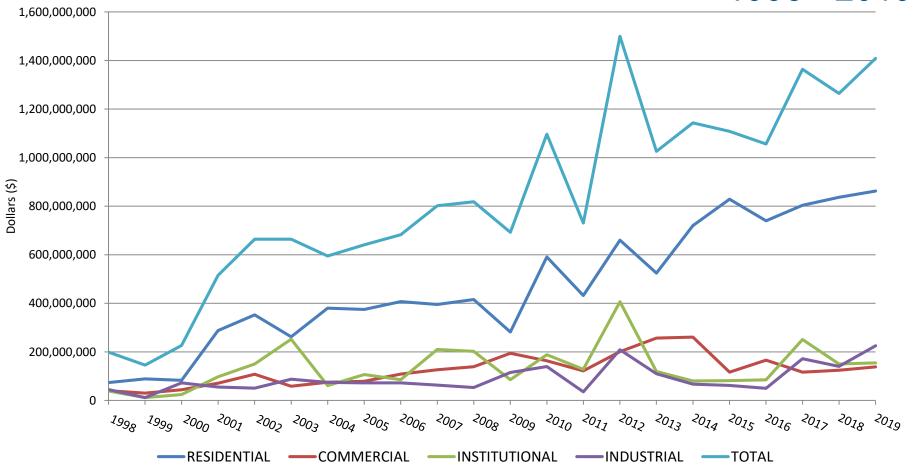
Anomalies due to rounding



GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE

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Building Permit Activity 1998 - 2019



Residential vs. Non-Residential Growth

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total	1.6%	0.7%	1.4%	1.2%	1.2%
Residential	1.3%	0.6%	1.3%	0.9%	1.1%
Non-Residential	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%	0.1%

- Continued reliance on the residential property class
- Assessment changes in non-residential properties have a larger impact on tax revenue
- Appeals in the commercial and industrial property classes are eroding the assessment base



2019 Assessment Growth

 2019 recorded a net assessment growth of 1.2% or \$10.6 M in tax revenue

(Gross/Net)										
Increases	\$	11,878,100	1.3%							
Decreases	\$	(1,243,300)	-0.1%							
Total	\$	10,634,800	1.2%							

 Includes new assessment, changes in assessment due to Request for Reconsiderations (RfR) and Appeals, as well as MPAC's proactive and ongoing reviews of key property sectors



2019 Assessment Growth

	G	ross Change in Unweighted Assessment	Net Change in Unweighted Assessment		Difference \$		Difference %
Residential	\$	1,012,163,200	\$	1,010,370,800	\$	(1,792,400)	0%
Multi-Residential	\$	17,689,400	\$	3,395,700	\$	(14,293,700)	-81%
Commercial	\$	52,652,700	\$	30,052,900	\$	(22,599,800)	-43%
Industrial	\$	25,152,600	\$	11,476,700	\$	(13,675,900)	-54%
Other	\$	30,743,700	\$	15,455,600	\$	(15,288,100)	-50%

Total \$	1,138,401,600	\$ 1,070,751,7	00 \$ (67,649,900)	-6%
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2019 Net Assessment Growth by Class

	Change in Unweighted Assessment
Residential	\$ 1,010,370,800
Multi-Residential	\$ 3,395,700
Commercial	\$ 30,052,900
Industrial	\$ 11,476,700
Other	\$ 15,455,600

Change in Municipal Taxes		
\$	9,788,000	
\$	(167,400)	
\$	491,100	
\$	232,500	
\$	290,700	

% Class Change
1.6%
-0.2%
0.3%
0.6%
3.9%

% of Total Change
1.1%
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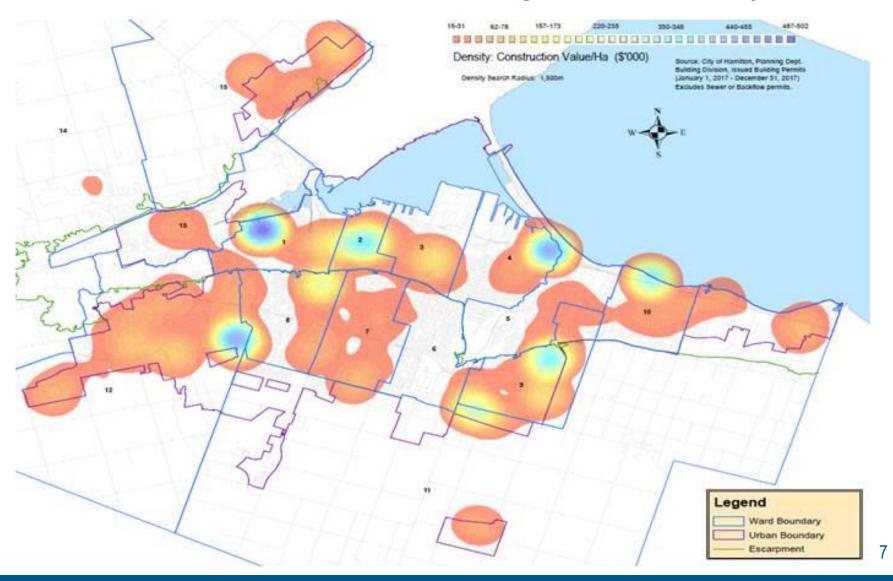
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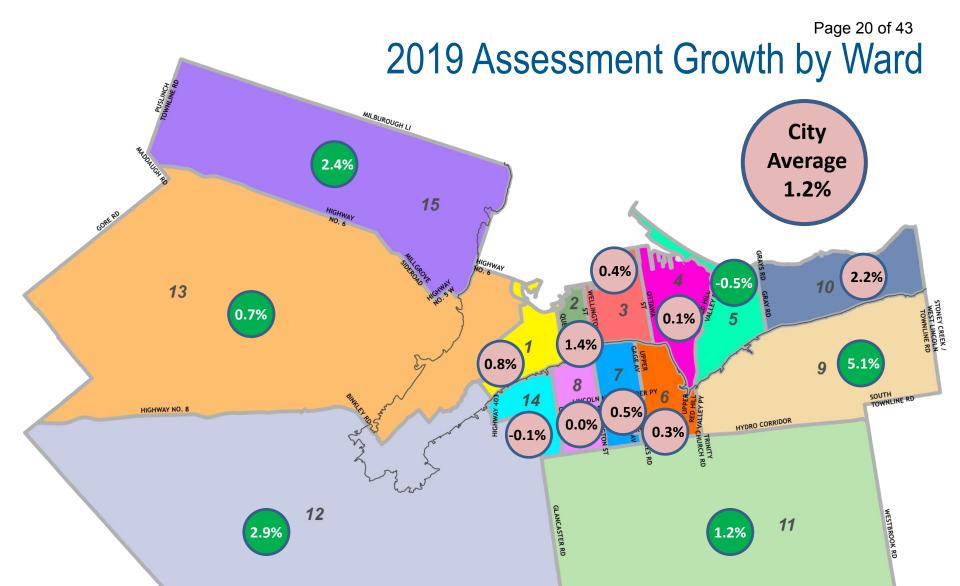
1.2%

The Residential property class continues to have a strong building activity and remains the main driver of the assessment growth in the City with an increase of 1.6% from last year, which represents additional tax revenue of \$9.8 M

Building Permit Activity 2014 → 2014







SAWMILL RD



HALDIBROOK RD

Residential vs. Non-Residential Growth

It's all about the tax ratio...

	2019 RATIOS
RESIDENTIAL	1.0000
COMMERCIAL	1.9800
INDUSTRIAL	3,3696

- \$1 million increase in residential assessment results in \$10,000 in additional taxes
- \$1 million increase in commercial assessment results in \$19,800 in additional taxes
- \$1 million increase in industrial assessment results in \$33,700 in additional taxes



Multi-Residential Property Class

- The Multi-Residential property class had a decrease of -\$167 k or -0.2%
- Mostly as a result of the conversion of multiresidential properties to residential condos.
- Conversions affect the tax revenue for the City since the property tax classification changes from Multi-Residential, which has a tax ratio of 2.5671 to Residential, which has a tax ratio of 1.0000.



Multi-Residential Property Class

- Provincial policy also restricts tax increases beyond the 2016 level resulting in increases in the Multi-Residential property class being taxed at a lower rate than in previous years
- No indication from the provincial government as to whether the policy will change in the upcoming years



- During 2019 the Commercial property class had a net increase of 0.3% which represents \$0.5 M in additional tax revenue
- This class has been negatively affected by a significant number of appeals and request for reconsiderations. Net assessment growth for 2019 was \$30M



 Assessment increase is partially driven by previously reported developments that have continued their expansion and have been occupied by new tenants

Examples:

- Winona Crossing Shopping Centre
- Clappison Power Centre
- Heritage Green Shopping Centre
- The commercial plaza on Portia Drive (Ancaster)
- These developments are spread across the City reflecting commercial trends and community needs



- Other assessment increases include:
 - Stryker (development in progress)
 - Commercial plaza on Upper Sherman & Ryman (NoFrills)
 - New commercial/flex building in the Stoney Creek commercial park
 - New warehouse in Stoney Creek
 - New Medical Building in Ancaster
 - Hamilton Volkswagen
 - Terra GreenHouse in Binbrook
 - Restoration projects in downtown Hamilton (James St. North)



 Assessment appeals are causing a significant erosion of the assessment base. Some examples include:



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Industrial Property Class

- The Industrial property class had a net assessment growth of 0.6% resulting in additional tax revenue of \$0.2 M.
- The decreases that are occurring (Approx. \$13 M)
 are mostly due to reclassification from the industrial
 property class to the commercial property class.



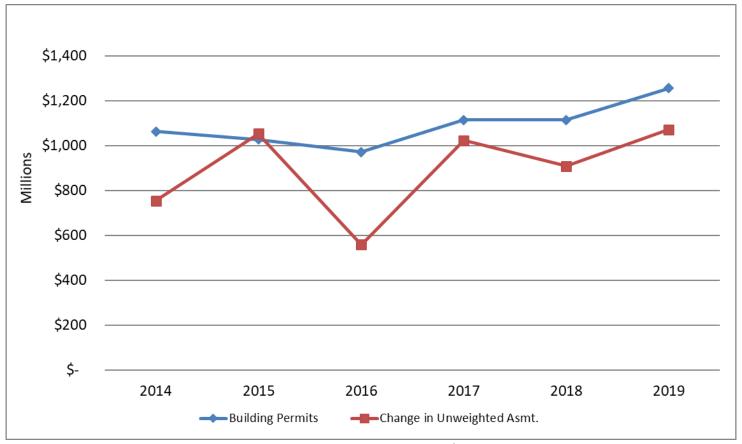
Industrial Property Class

Assessment increases include:

- Industrial lands on Nebo Rd. & Twenty Rd. (development in progress)
- New industrial lands in the Ancaster Industrial Partk (vacant)
- New industrial mall in Dundas
- Bennet Mechanical Installations
- Nova Steel



Assessment Growth vs. Value of Building Permits (*)



(*) Building permits are net of Government/Institutional construction value as they do not result in taxable assessment for the City.



Assessment Growth vs. Value of Building Permits (Cont'd)

Property Type	Building Permit Value	Increase in Assessment	Assessment to Building Permit Ratio	
Typical Subdivision House (Ancaster)	\$250,000	\$224,000	90%	
Custom Built House (Ancaster)	\$3,070,000	\$2,190,000	71%	
Apartment Building (Downtown)	\$7,936,110	\$10,164,000	128%	
Hotel (Downtown)	\$6,983,000	\$10,531,000	151%	
Industrial Building (Ancaster)	\$7,175,000	\$12,198,000	170%	
Industrial Building (Waterdown)	\$12,256,750	\$11,662,000	95%	
Industrial Building (Glanbrook)	\$26,601,700	\$20,095,500	76%	
Hotel (Downtown)	\$30,215,000	\$14,347,500	47%	
Institutional/Industrial Building (Hamilton)	\$55,000,000	\$15,366,000	28%	
Industrial Building (Glanbrook)	\$85,531,933	\$34,406,000	40%	



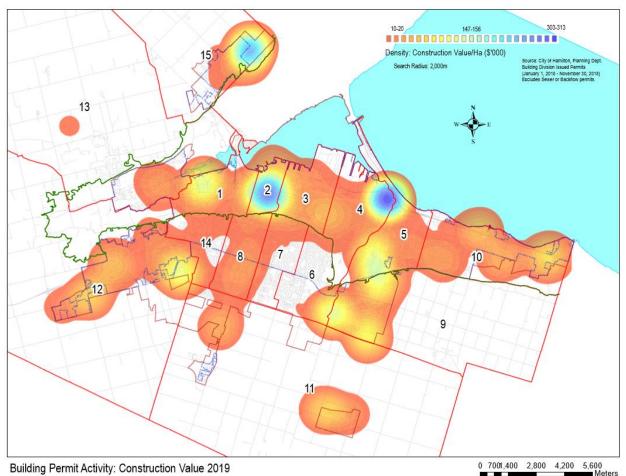
Assessment Growth vs. Value of Building Permits (Cont'd)

Property Type	Building Permit Year	MPAC Asessment	Assessment Effective Date	Taxes Received	Time Lag (Years)
Typical Subdivision House (Ancaster)	2013	2015	2015	2016	3
Custom Built House (Ancaster)	2012	2016	2015	2016	4
Apartment Building (Downtown)	2014	2015	2015	2016	2
Hotel (Downtown)	2011	2013	2012	2014	3
Industrial Building (Ancaster)	2012	2015	2014	2015	3
Industrial Building (Waterdown)	2017	2019	2019	2019	2
Industrial Building (Glanbrook)	2010	2012	2011	2012	2
Hotel (Downtown)	2012	2014	2014	2015	3
Institutional/Industrial Building (Hamilton)	2009	2016	2014	2014	5
Industrial Building (Glanbrook)	2012	2014	2014	2015	3



Building Permit Activity - 2019

Year	Construction Value
2009	\$692,402,386
2010	\$1,096,299,091
2011	\$731,019,287
2012	\$1,499,627,394
2013	\$1,025,785,000
2014	\$1,143,192,846
2015	\$1,108,192,846
2016	\$1,056,237,746
2017	\$1,364,145,418
2018	\$1,264,757,129
2019	\$1,408,521,764 / \$1,538,521,764



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2020 Average

Res. Assessment

		Average Residential	Asmt as % of
	A	ssessment	City Average
Ward 1	\$	412,500	108%
Ward 2	\$	285,200	75%
Ward 3	\$	223,100	59%
Ward 4	\$	232,800	61%
Ward 5	\$	312,700	82%
Ward 6	\$	332,600	87%
Ward 7	\$	337,700	89%
Ward 8	\$	366,900	96%
Ward 9	\$	392,900	103%
Ward 10	\$	425,300	112%
Ward 11	\$	401,800	106%
Ward 12	\$	533,500	140%
Ward 13	\$	484,300	127%
Ward 14	\$	405,500	107%
Ward 15	\$	532,300	140%

2020 Average City-wide Residential Assessment = \$380,300 2019 Average City-wide Residential Assessment = \$358,600







INFORMATION REPORT

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	February 28, 2020
SUBJECT:	Financial Impacts of Parking Rate Increases (PED19238(b))
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
SUBMITTED BY:	Brian Hollingworth Director, Transportation Planning and Parking Planning and Economic Development Department
SIGNATURE:	Brin Hollyn

On November 19, 2019, Report PED19238 provided a preliminary estimate of the revenue impacts of increases in on-street meter rates, off-street parking rates, weekend parking payment, parking penalties and modified parking lot operations. This Report was followed by an Information Update on November 27, 2019 which provided additional information on off-street parking rates. On February 4, 2020, Report PED19238(a) provided a more detailed assessment of some of the potential fee and rate increases, as well as initial feedback on consultation with the BIAs.

The purpose of this Information Update is to provide a consolidated summary of the potential parking rate increases and associated revenue impacts contained in those reports. This summary was requested of staff at the General Issues Committee meeting on February 24, 2020.

Category	Scenario	Net Revenue Impacts (Annual)
	25 cent increase	\$280 K
On-street meter rates	50 cent increase	\$560 K
	Weekend Parking Payment	\$40 K

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Category	Scenario	Net Revenue Impacts (Annual)
Off-street parking	Increase to \$3/hr and \$12/day in downtown parkades and lots	\$376 K
rates	\$10/month increase in monthly permits	\$306 K
Parking Penalties	Increase parking penalties to a level equal to comparator municipalities	\$383 K

The above estimates reflect the annual impacts. It is estimated that for 2020, most of the changes could be implemented with a three-month lead time.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Brian Hollingworth at Ext. 2953 or via e-mail.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

N/A

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INFORMATION REPORT

ТО:	Mayor and Members General Issues Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	March 2, 2020
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Under-Performing HSR Routes (PW20015) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
PREPARED BY:	Debbie Dalle Vedove (905) 546-2424 Ext. 1860
SUBMITTED BY:	Debbie Dalle Vedove Director, Transit Public Works Department
SIGNATURE:	

COUNCIL DIRECTION

At the February 24, 2020 General Issues Committee Budget meeting a motion was passed that staff be directed to report back during the 2020 budget process with a list of under-performing HSR routes.

INFORMATION

Detailed information regarding under-performing HSR routes is attached as Appendix "A" to Report PW20015 and also includes the Council approved service standards in the local 10-year strategy. Appendix "B" attached to Report PW20015 includes measures relative to how identified underperforming routes are performing against the approved service standards. Finally, Appendix "C" attached to Report PW20015 outlines a breakdown of possible service reductions on the low performing routes and other adjustments that could be made to reduce operating costs.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix "A" to Report PW20015 - Council Approved Service Standards

Appendix "B" to Report PW20015 – Service Standards Application

Appendix "C" to Report PW20015 – Budget Mitigation Options

	HSR Service	e Standards	
Coverage	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday
System Wide	90% of residents / v	vorkplaces within Urba	an Transit Area to be
Minimum	within 400	metres of Weekday Pe	eak service.
Span (Start of trip)	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday
Route Maximum	5:00 AM - 2:00 AM	5:00 AM - 2:00 AM	6:00 AM - 12:00 AM
Frequency (Time between buses)	Weekday Peak / Non-Peak/ Evening	Saturday AM / Day / Evening	Sunday AM / Day / Evening
Route Minimum	30/30/60	30/30/60	30/30/60
Productivity (Boardings per Service Hour)	Weekday Peak / Non-Peak/ Evening	Saturday AM / Day / Evening	Sunday AM / Day / Evening
Route Minimum	25 / 15 / 15	15 / 15 / 15	15 / 15 / 15
Loading (Expressed as Percentage of Seated Capacity)	Weekday Peak / Non-Peak/ Evening	Saturday AM / Day / Evening	Sunday AM / Day / Evening
Route Maximum	125 / 100 / 100	100/100/100	100/100/100

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Service Standard

	Route		Fre	quen	icy (m	inimu	um tin	ne btv	wn			Pro	ductiv	vity (r	ninim	num k	board	ings							
WARD	noute				bus	es (m	ins))							per	serv.	hr.)				Load (% of	seated capacity)	Spa	n (route maxim	um)	Coverage (system wide minimum)
			Wkdy	,		Sat			Sun			Wkdy			Sat			Sun		Wkdy	Sat and Sun	Wkdy	Sat	Sun	Wkdy
	Serv. Standard	30	30	60	30	30	60	30	30	60	25	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	125 100 10	0 100 100 10	0 5AM to 2AM	5AM to 2AM 6	SAM to 12AM	90% of res./workpl. within UTA within 400m of service
2,3,4	3-Cannon	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\square	\checkmark	n/a	\checkmark		×	\checkmark	\checkmark	X	\checkmark	\checkmark	n/a			\square	\square	\square	44,587 population within 400m of route stops
2,3,4,5	4-Bayfront	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	×	\checkmark	\checkmark	X			\square	\square		39,505 population within 400m of route stops
1,2	6-Aberdeen	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\square	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		×	×	×	X	×	×	×			\square	\square	\square	25,896 population within 400m of route stops
1,2	7-Locke	$ \overline{\mathbf{A}} $		\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\square		n/a	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	n/a						24,594 population within 400m of route stops
1,2	8-York		\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark	\square		n/a	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	n/a			\square	\square	\square	18,822 population within 400m of route stops
1,2	9-Rock Gardens	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	×	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	×	n/a			n/a	n/a	\square	does not contribute to coverage standard
9,4,5	11-Parkdale	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\square	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		×	\checkmark	\checkmark	X	×	\checkmark	×			\square	\square	\square	24,466 population within 400m of route stops
3	12-Wentworth		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	×	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Analysis vet	to be completed	☑	n/a	n/a	19,907 population within 400m of route stops
12	16-Ancaster	\checkmark	×	n/a	×	×	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	×	×	n/a	×	×	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		to be completed	☑	☑	n/a	14,712 population within 400m of route stops
15	18-Waterdown	\checkmark	\checkmark	n/a	\checkmark	\checkmark	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	×	×	n/a	×	×	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a			\square	\square	n/a	12,770 population within 400m of route stops
6,7	42-Mohawk East	×	×	n/a	×	×	n/a	×	×	n/a	×	×	n/a	×	×	n/a	×	×	n/a						15,223 population within 400m of route stops
1,13	52A-Dundas Loc.	×	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	×	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a			\square	n/a	n/a	8,245 population within 400m of route stops
5,10	55-St. Creek Cent.		\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark	n/a	$\overline{\checkmark}$	n/a	abla		×	×	\checkmark	×	n/a	×	n/a			\square	\square	\square	22,361 population within 400m of route stops
5	56-Centennial	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	×	n/a	n/a	×	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	×	n/a	n/a	×	n/a			n/a	\square	\square	5,323 population within 400m of route stops
5,10	58-St. Creek Loc.	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	n/a	\checkmark	\checkmark	n/a	\checkmark	n/a	×	×	×	n/a	×	×	n/a	×	n/a			☑	\square		11,907 population within 400m of route stops
2	99-Waterfront	\checkmark	\checkmark	n/a	n/a		n/a	n/a	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$	n/a	×	×	n/a	n/a	$\overline{\mathbf{A}}$	n/a	n/a	\checkmark	n/a			\square	\square		does not contribute to coverage standard

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n/a not applicable (bus does not operate during defined period)

does not meet standard in defined period

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oute	Recommendation	Rationale	Hours	Annualized Savings Non-Peak 2020	Non Peak Savings at Fall Board Implementation	Non Peak Savings at Summer Board Implementation		Peak Savings at Fall Board Implementation	Peak Savings at Summer Board Implementation	Annualized Total Savings	Fall Implementation Total Savings	Summer Implementation Total Savings	Comments	Customer Impact
1	(WD) Adjust frequency to 15mins at 7pm eb from GO Station.	Introduction of B line from 7pm to 10pm adds capacity to corridor	725	\$58,373	\$18,746	\$29,855				\$58,373	\$18,746	\$29,855	This is not an unperforming time period, however, introduction of extended B line service between 7pm and 9pm in Fall 2019 will offset the need for 10 minute King service and will support the change.	average wait +2 min.
3	(M to SA) Reduce span to have last depart at 10pm eb	Route underperforming to standard	689	\$55,532	\$18,010	\$28,561				\$55,532	\$18,010	\$28,561	Frequency drops from 30 minutes to 1 hour during this period and the lone bus on route after 10 pm operates below 10 boardings/hour in the westerly direction and between 10 and 14 boardings per/hour in the easterly direction. (Service standard = 15 boardings per hour)	average wait +15 min.
3	(WD) Eliminate first eb trips on keys 1, 2, and 3 starting them at Reid/Dunsmere instead	Route underperforming to standard	441	\$35,531	\$11,411	\$18,173				\$35,531	\$11,411	\$18,173	The first 3 eb trips operate with an average of 3.5 boardings per bus.	EB service starts 1h later
3	(SA) Eliminate first eb trips on keys 1 and 2 starting them at Reid/Dunsmere instead	Route underperforming to standard	97	\$7,793	\$2,644	\$4,113				\$7,793	\$2,644	\$4,113	The first 2 eb tips operate with an average of 2.2 boardings per bus.	EB service starts 1h later
3	(SA) Adjust frequency to 30 minutes during the day, to match Weekday base	Lower demand than WD base	399	\$32,147	\$10,909	\$16,969				\$32,147	\$10,909	\$16,969	The route is operating just above the service standard of 15 boardings/hour at 15.75 boardings/hour and could support a reduction in frequency based on current demand.	average wait +5 min.
4	(SU) 4-1 end at 11:10pm, (SU) 4 2 end at 11:02pm - span reduction to 10pm eb depart	Route underperforming to standard	183	\$14,744	\$4,911	\$7,857				\$14,744	\$4,911	\$7,857	Frequency drops from 30 minutes to 1 hour after 9pm and after 10pm the route operates with one bus and at 10.4 boardings per hour.	average wait +15 min.
4	(SU) Eliminate first eb trips on keys 1 and 3 starting them at Mt Albion. Reduced frequency until 8am	Route underperforming to standard	114	\$9,172	\$3,055	\$4,887				\$9,172	\$3,055	\$4,887	The first 3 eb trips operate with an average of 6.2 boardings per bus. Eliminating 2 of 3 trips would set frequency back to one hour for the first hour of the day and could achieve the boarding service standard with 18 boardings per bus.	EB service starts 40 min. late average wait +15 min.
5	(SA) Adjust frequency to 12 minutes (36 min. on tails), 6a to 9p; allocate r'tic to 5A/C	Addition of B Line provides west end coverage, east end underperforming	2,340	\$188,534	\$63,975	\$99,516				\$188,534	\$63,975	\$99,516		average wait on trunk +1 m and on tails +3 min.
5	(SU) Adjust frequency to 12 minutes (36 min. on tails), 9a to 6p	East end underperforming; r'tics will accommodate west end	1,647	\$132,699	\$44,195	\$70,711				\$132,699	\$44,195	\$70,711	Same as above.	average wait on trunk +1 m and on tails +3 min.
6	(SU) 6-1 end at 10:52pm - span reduction to 10pm wb depart	Route underperforming to standard	122	\$9,830	\$3,274	\$5,238				\$9,830	\$3,274	\$5,238	Frequency drops to one hour after 5pm. After 10pm less than 3 boardings are taking place per hour.	service ends 2h earlier
7 and 8	(WD) 6-1 end at 10:15pm, (SA) 6-2 end at 9:35pm. Only route 6 after 10pm		1,168	\$94,109	\$30,520	\$48,401				\$94,109	\$30,520	\$48,401	Route 7 operates once per hour in the identified periods and has less than 2 boardings per hour during these periods. Route 8 operates once per hour in the identified periods and has less than 1 boarding per hour during these periods. Similar treatment on interlined routes occurs on Sunday night as well.	service ends 3h earlier
9	(SU) Reduce span by 2 hours	Route underperforming to standard	48	\$3,867	\$1,288	\$2,061				\$3,867	\$1,288	\$2,061	Less than 2 boardings per hour are taking place on trips after 5pm. The route does not meet service standard in any period but has one trip midday that approx 10 boardings take place.	service ends 2h earlier
11	(SA) change start time on key 2 to 7:19am VP, and (SU) key 2 to 7:17am VP. Reduced frequency until 7am	Route underperforming to standard	169	\$13,656	\$4,588	\$7,245				\$13,656	\$4,588	\$7,245	Less than 6 boardings per hour take place on the identified key during the time period on Saturdays and less than 3 boardings per hour take place on the identified key during the time period on Sundays. Route frequency would drop from 30 minutes to one hour for the first trip of each day and service standard would be achieved on the one operating bus on Saturday morning during the period. The one operating bus on Sunday morning would continue to not achieve the standard with approx 8 boardings per hour.	average wait +15 min.

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Route	Recommendation	Rationale	Hours	Annualized	Non Peak Savings at Fall	Non Book Covince of	Ammunitand	Dool: Carrings at Fall	Peak Savings at	Assurational Total	Fall Implementation	Summer	Comments	Customer Immed
Route	Recommendation	Rationale	nours	Savings		Summer Board		Peak Savings at Fall Board Implementation	Summer Board	Savings	Total Savings	Implementation Total	Comments	Customer Impact
16	(SA) end service at 6:10pm wb		208	Non-Peak 2020 \$16,759	\$5,687	\$8,846			Implementation	\$16,759	\$5,687	\$8,846	Currently operating at approx 6 boardings per	service ends 4h earlier
10	trip - span reduction (WD) Reduce span with final	standard Route underperforming to	907	\$73,093	\$23,474	\$37,384				\$73,093	\$23,474	\$37,384	hour during period. Standard = 15 Currently operating at less than 8 boardings per	service ends 1h earlier; average
10	trips arriving at ALGO at key 1 - 6:52p, 2 - 7:12p, 3 - 7:42p		507	\$73,033	323,474	337,364				373,053	, ,,,,,,,,	337,364	hour during period. Standard = 15	wait +22 min.
18	(SA) Reduce span with final trips arriving at ALGO at key 1 - 7:15p, 2- 7:10p, 3 - 6:45p, 4 - 7:00p	Route underperforming to standard	312	\$25,138	\$8,530	\$13,269				\$25,138	\$8,530	\$13,269	Currently operating at less than 3 boardings per hour during period. Standard = 15	service ends 1.5h earlier; average wait +22 min.
33	(WD) 33-1 end at 10:34pm, 33- 2 (SU) end at 10:46pm - span reduction to 10pm sb depart	Route underperforming to standard	626	\$50,437	\$16,198	\$25,796				\$50,437	\$16,198	\$25,796	(WD) route operates just above standard during this period but demand could be handled by one bus. (SU) route operates below 9 boardings per hour during period. Standard = 15	service ends 3h earlier
34	(WD) Reduce frequency to 1 hour at 10:15pm sb depart. 34- 1 ends at 10:22p		504	\$40,607	\$13,041	\$20,769				\$40,607	\$13,041	\$20,769	(WD) route operates just below standard during this period @ 14 boardings per hour. One bus could handle demand and potentially meet standard.	average wait on trunk +15 min. and on tails +30 min.
35	(SU) change start time on key 1 to 6am MCTM, key 2 to 5:59am SEVI	Route underperforming to standard	57	\$4,587	\$1,528	\$2,444				\$4,587	\$1,528	\$2,444	Annual boardings on keys averaged 7 and 5 customers respectively during the identified period.	service starts 30 min. later
42	Eliminate route - all periods	Grossly underperforming to standard in all periods	3,989				\$409,224	\$104,690	\$166,273	\$409,224	\$104,690	\$166,273	Grossly underproductive and is achieving less than 5 boardings per hour during off peak (standard = 15) and less than 15 boardings per hour in peak periods (standard = 25). During summer the route fails to achieve 5 boardings per hour in any period. 75% of the route operates over top of existing routes. 87% of annual activity is taking place at stops on existing routes and only 5.5% of annual activity is taking place at the Arena which was the intended destination of purpose for the route. Pilot that was never removed when it underperformed.	no service at Mohawk 4 Ice Centre
99	Eliminate route - all periods	2018 = 27,000+ boardings. No fares. Service area available by 2 routes. Takes away fares from other routes.	848				\$87,037	50	\$0	\$87,037	\$0	50	The route meets productivity service standards, however it is provided with no return on investment. A regular fare charge could produce approx \$50,000 in revenue to offset costs or the route could be eliminate as productivity on routes 4 and 20 show a slight decline during the summer months (potentially shifting to no cost offering) and could support the additional demand should it be removed.	no free Summer service between Downtown and Waterfront; 2 other routes available
Drop off	F Eliminate Mountain/West End drop off for all day types and operate only one drop off	Over resourced based on demand. Consider using driver shuttle for remaining drop off	465	\$37,459	\$12,202	\$19,380				\$37,459	\$12,202	\$19,380	Not customer based	no customer impact
Festival	Require fare payment for Peach Festival Shuttle customers	Estimated 16,000 boardings in 2018 at avg fare of \$1.90 = potential lost revenue to offset service	264	\$21,299	\$0	\$21,299				\$21,299	\$0	\$21,299	Approx 10,000 shuttle boardings took place in 2019. At an average customer cost of \$1.90, revenue of approx. \$19,000 could be produced to offset cost of service.	fare payment required
Holiday	/ Service 4 (Christmas) on New Years Day, Family Day and Good Friday	Closures and limited demand	2,036	\$164,041	\$0	\$0				\$164,041	\$0	\$0	Customer demand on these 3 stat holidays drops approx 40% compared to normal Sunday demand which is currently offered.	service ends 3h earlier
Holiday	Alternative delivery model for Boxing Day - 1, 2, 21, 25, 26, 41 and 43 on SA schedule all others on SU schedule		402	\$32,389	\$32,389	\$32,389				\$32,389	\$32,389	\$32,389	Customer demand on Boxing day is equivalent to demand on a normal Sunday. The routes identified represent 56% of the total demand on this holiday.	majority of routes converted to Sunday sched.
Holiday	Alternative delivery model for Thanksgiving - end Service 3 (SU) at 10pm	Closures and limited demand	77	\$6,204	\$6,204	\$6,204				\$6,204	\$6,204	\$6,204	Customer demand on this stat holiday drops approx 40% compared to normal Sunday demand and only 6.5% of existing demand is taking place after the hour 10pm	service ends 2h earlier
ScEx	Extra 7010 eliminated for Fall 2019	No longer required based on Fall enhancements	459	\$36,949	\$36,949	\$36,949				\$36,949	\$36,949	\$36,949	Completed	none
ScEx	Eliminate Part B - 7054, Part C - 7061, Part B and C - 7004, Part B - 7014		688	\$55,423	\$55,423	\$55,423				\$55,423	\$55,423	\$55,423	School extra pieces could be re-aligned. Identified ones are those that have redundancy with regular routes that could handle demand.	some students may be required to transfer