

# CITY OF HAMILTON

### CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT Treasury Services Division

TO: Chair and Members
Audit, Finance and Administration
Committee

COMMITTEE DATE: December 7, 2011

SUBJECT/REPORT NO:
Treasurer's Apportionment of Land Taxes for Property in Flamborough (FCS11001(g)) (Ward 15)

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#### RECOMMENDATION

That the 2010 land taxes in the amount of \$1,444 for 87-93 Browview Drive, Flamborough, (Roll #2518 303 420 23010 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the four newly created parcels as set out in Appendix A to report FCS11001(g).

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Assessment and therefore taxes levied on Roll #2518 303 420 23015 0000 (87-93 Browview Drive, Flamborough) for the 2010 tax year did not recognize the fact that this property had been the subject of a severance. The taxes levied in the year 2010 needs to be apportioned amongst the four newly created parcels of land. Section 356 of the Municipal Act, 2001 permits such an apportionment.

Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable.

#### FINANCIAL / STAFFING / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS (for Recommendation(s) only)

**Financial:** Taxes owing against the original parcel of land must be transferred to the

new parcels, in a timely manner, or the City of Hamilton runs the risk of

these amounts becoming uncollectible.

**Staffing:** There are no implications.

**Legal:** The City's Legal Services Division has recommended that apportionments

be completed in accordance with the procedure set out in Section 356 of

the Municipal Act, 2001.

### HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The original blocks of land identified in this report were severed into several newly created parcels of land.

The assessment returned on the roll for the year 2010 reflects the value for the original parcel of land. The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) produced a severance information form for the assessment originally levied and identified the split amongst the new parcels of land. Since the original assessment remained with the base roll for the 2010 taxation year, the taxes were overstated and now need to be adjusted to the newly created roll numbers.

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Section 356 of the <u>Municipal Act</u>, 2001, permits Council to approve the apportionment of land taxes due to the severance of the land. Once the tax roll is adjusted, the taxes shall be deemed to have always been levied in accordance with the adjusted tax roll.

#### **RELEVANT CONSULTATION**

All apportionment recommendations provided to Council are supported by reports provided by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, identifying the split in the assessment value due to the land severance.

### ANALYSIS / RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The original assessment returned on the base roll and the corresponding taxes levied are the sole responsibility of the current property owner. Since the properties have been severed into new lots, the property owners have applied to have the taxes apportioned fairly to all of the lots, in accordance with the provisions of Section 356 of the Municipal Act, 2001.

#### ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION

There are no alternatives.

#### CORPORATE STRATEGIC PLAN

Focus Areas: 1. Skilled, Innovative and Respectful Organization, 2. Financial Sustainability, 3. Intergovernmental Relationships, 4. Growing Our Economy, 5. Social Development, 6. Environmental Stewardship, 7. Healthy Community

Skilled, Innovative and Respectful Organization.

#### **APPENDICES / SCHEDULES**

Appendix A to Report FCS11001(g) – Apportionment of Taxes. Appendix B to Report FCS11001(g) – Map identifying location of the properties being apportioned.

## **APPORTIONMENT OF TAXES**

That the original land taxes recorded against;

**Roll #2518 303 420 23010 0000** - (87 - 93 Browview Drive, Flamborough) in the amount of \$1,444 for the year 2010 be split amongst the four newly created lots listed below:

YEAR	ADDRESS	ROLL NUMBER	APPORTIONED ASSESSMENT	TAX AMOUNT
2010	93 Browview Dr.	2518 303 420 23010 0000	27,139	\$ 362.51
2010	91 Browview Dr.	2518 303 420 23011 0000	26,903	359.36
2010	89 Browview Dr.	2518 303 420 23012 0000	26,903	359.36
2010	87 Browview Dr.	2518 303 420 23013 0000	27,139	362.51
		Total	108,084	\$ 1,443.74

Map identifying 87-93 Browview Dr., Flamborough;

