



INFORMATION REPORT

TO:	Chair and Members Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	December 11, 2019
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Transit Area Rating Methodology Review (FCS19094) (City Wide) Outstanding Business List Item
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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COUNCIL DIRECTION

City Council, at its meeting of March 27, 2019, approved the following Motion:

26. A System-Wide Approach to Public Transit (Item 7.1)

- (c) That staff be directed to report back to the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee with an area rating analysis for transit for the 2020 Operating budget process, with respect to a public transit system that supports a system-wide approach, with that report to include enhanced service levels that align with the overall City Transit Strategy; and,
- (d) That staff be directed to review the possibility of the area rating net benefit to Wards 1 to 8 being used for public transit city-wide and report to the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee.

INFORMATION

The current transit service area rating formula has been in place since 2001 and is based on an urban / rural transit model recognizing that properties outside of the transit service area (rural) should not be levied for the service. The methodology also accounts for the difference in service levels in the former area municipalities by allocating the levy based on transit service mileage within the service area.

In response to Council's direction and following approval of Report FCS19058 "Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee Terms of Reference" by Council on June 19, 2019, staff has prepared a presentation for Committee outlining the history and current methodology of transit area rating, including alternatives to the existing model. The presentation also includes potential changes to the transit service as a result of the Re-envision of HSR and a timeline for the implementation of the Sub-Committee recommendations.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

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