Council priorities support a smart and livable city

These strategic priorities have been established by council to guide the City in its efforts to make Kingston a smart and livable city:

• Create a smart economy
• Invest in infrastructure
• Plan a livable city
• Green the city
• Advance a vibrant waterfront
• Foster open government

See updates on the actions being taken to make progress on these priorities at CityofKingston.ca/apps/councilpriorities/

The City’s 2016 work plan includes:

• Transforming Portsmouth Town Hall into a business accelerator site.
• Developing a preliminary design for the proposed Third Crossing of the Cataraqui River.
• Building up the embankment area that will support the bridge to be built over the rail tracks on John Counter Boulevard.
• Conduct a community visioning exercise and market analysis to guide the secondary plan to revitalize North King’s Town – Kingston’s Inner Harbour and Old Industrial areas.
• Complete a review of Kingston Transit fares and services to guide transit improvements over the next five years.
• Develop an engagement plan for conducting public consultations.
• Start construction to extend the K&P Trail into Kingston’s urban area.
• Complete the update to the Official Plan — the plan that shapes our city.
• Work with the federal government and the public to create a vision for Portsmouth Olympic Harbour and the former Kingston Penitentiary.

Your tax dollars at work

The chart below shows a breakdown of the annual amount paid by a residential property owner for all municipal services, based on an average property assessment of $292,977.

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<td>Police</td>
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<td>Fire &amp; emergency management</td>
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The City’s $348M operating budget for 2016 is funded through a combination of property taxes, transfers from other levels of government and user fees.

See CityofKingston.ca/budget for further details on the 2016 approved operating and capital budgets.
Average 2015 tax bill total $3,749.18 This is the amount of a 2015 average tax bill based on residential assessment of $282,720
- Municipal portion $3,197.88
- Education portion $551.30

Reassessment change $ (6.18) As a result of assessment change as returned by Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC)

Tax policy change $ 8.31 Council approved a 10 year tax ratio reduction for the multi-residential property class starting in 2008

Municipal budget change $ 80.07 2016 municipal tax rate change of 2.50%

Education change $ (0.50) Reduction in the provincial education tax rate

Average 2016 tax bill $3,830.88 This is the amount of the 2016 average tax bill based on residential assessment of $292,977
- Municipal portion $3,280.08
- Education portion $550.80

Average tax bill change 2.18% % change from 2015 to 2016

Want to lookup your property taxes?
Use the assessment tax levy lookup tool at CityofKingston.ca/assessment

Payment re-distribution or refund fee
There is a fee of $29.80 to re-distribute or refund a payment which has been incorrectly made.

Returned items from bank
There is a service fee of $33.95 for all items returned from your banking institution.

Reprinted tax bill and statement of account
A bill reprint or statement of account is available from the tax office for a fee of $13.90.

Tax payment receipts
Receipts are available when paying in person at the payment centre, 216 Ontario St., or by mail when you enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with your tax bill. You may also present your tax bill to have it stamped “paid”.

Multi-residential, commercial, and industrial property classes
Visit CityofKingston.ca/tax for information about capped properties, the 2016 capping factors and options adopted by council to set the 2016 capping limits as well as information on rebate programs for businesses, charities and landlords. Information and applications are at CityofKingston.ca/taxrebates or by contacting Taxation Services at 613-546-4291, ext. 2015.

Questions about your taxes?
Call 613-546-0000 | Email tax@cityofkingston.ca | Mail City of Kingston, P.O. Box 640, Kingston, ON K7L 4X1
If you need accessibility information about a City of Kingston service or facility, or if you require this document in another format, call 613-546-0000 weekdays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., or email contactus@cityofkingston.ca

Sign up at epost.ca to have future Property Tax Bills delivered to your own safe, secure epost account. Information is at CityofKingston.ca/tax