2019 Your tax dollars at work

Council’s Strategic Priorities

- Increase housing affordability
- Improve walkability, roads and transportation
- Demonstrate leadership on climate action
- Strengthen economic development opportunities
- Foster healthy citizens and vibrant spaces

The City’s $388.6 million tax-supported operating budget for 2019 is funded through a combination of user fees, transfers from other levels of government, and property taxes. Council approved a budgeted municipal tax increase of 2.5%, which includes 1.5% for inflationary impacts on the operating budget and 1% earmarked for capital infrastructure.

The final average residential tax increase in 2019 is 1.84%. For a residential property owner with an average assessment of $319,073, the annual property taxes would be approximately $4,114. Included in this total, is $514 for education, which is set by the provincial government. The municipal portion is $3,600.

When broken down, this amounts to $300 per month, for all municipal services. These services include:

- **$10 Waste Management**
- **$37 Other Agencies & Boards**
- **$29 General Government**
- **$21 Community & Family Services**
- **$3 Planning, Licensing & Bylaw Enforcement**
- **$5 Cultural Services**
- **$35 Fire & Emergency Management**
- **$10 Recreation Programs & Facilities**
- **$22 Transportation Services**
- **$21 Community & Family Services**
- **$3 Planning, Licensing & Bylaw Enforcement**
- **$5 Cultural Services**
- **$35 Fire & Emergency Management**
- **$10 Recreation Programs & Facilities**
- **$22 Transportation Services**
- **$41 Capital Infrastructure Investment**
- **$7 Rideaucrest Long-Term Care**
- **$20 Roads, Sidewalks, Parks Maintenance & Winter Control**

See CityofKingston.ca/Budget for further details of the 2019 approved operating and capital budgets
2019
Property Tax Information

Residential Tax Bill Changes 2018-2019*

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Assessment change (24.46) Average result of assessment changes as returned by Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC)

Farm tax ratio reduction 0.17 Council approved 4 year tax ratio reduction for the farm property class, starting in 2017

Multi-residential tax ratio reduction 16.83 Council approved tax ratio reduction to 1.80 for the multi-residential property class for 2019

Municipal budget change 87.48 2019 municipal budget change 2.5%. Municipal budget change includes 1% earmarked for capital infrastructure

Education tax room adjustment 7.78 Adjustment to partially offset changes to Provincial funding

Education change (13.35) Reduction in the provincial education tax rate

Average 2019 tax bill total $4,113.67

Municipal – $3,599.97

Education – $513.70

2019 area weighted average tax bill based on residential assessment of $319,073

Average residential tax bill change 1.84% % change from 2018 to 2019

*Fire services are area-rated, causing tax rates to vary from area to area. The estimated average tax bill total has been updated to reflect an area weighted average fire charge. Tax bill changes will vary from the average as a result of MPAC property assessments that are above or below the average.

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

Assessment and tax appeal information
If you have questions about your property assessment contact MPAC at 1-866-296-6722 or visit www.mpac.ca.

If your property has undergone changes, you may be eligible to apply for a tax adjustment. For information and applications please go to CityofKingston.ca/Tax. Please note that taxes must be paid even if you are appealing your assessment.

The City has no authority to cancel interest beyond the amount of tax reduction achieved if your appeal is successful.

Payment transfer or refund fee
There is a fee of $20.60 to transfer and $31 to refund a payment which has been incorrectly made.

Returned items from bank
There is a service fee of $37 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 $15.20.

Payment options
Please see the back of your bill or go to CityofKingston.ca/Tax.

Tax payment receipts
Receipts are available when paying in person at the payment centre, City Hall, 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 2019 capping factors and options adopted by council to set the 2019 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 Customer Service at 613-546-0000.

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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

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