



## Staff Report

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**Report To:** Council Meeting  
**From:** Terri Towstiuć, Clerk  
**Date:** 2024-02-08  
**Subject:** Development Charges – Study Proposal

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### **Recommendation:**

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Terri Towstiuć, Clerk Re: Development Charges, Study Proposal; And

That Council direct staff to obtain a quote for a Development Charges study for West Elgin.

### **Purpose:**

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council's direction regarding the recent Development Charges Presentation, provided by Mr. Daryl Abbs, Watson & Associates.

### **Background:**

At the regular meeting of Council on January 25, 2024, Council was provided with a Development Charges (DC) Overview from Watson & Associates Economists Ltd, providing Council with a background information about DC's, and the potential benefits of West Elgin implementing DCs.

The purpose of DCs is for the Municipality to recover capital costs associated with residential and non-residential growth within the Municipality and are in addition to what costs would normally be constructed as part of a subdivision.

Potential Services to be considered under the DCs include Fire and Police services, parks & recreation, water and wastewater services and services related to highways.

Attached to this report is the full presentation from Mr. Abbs, for review.

### **Financial Implications:**

Quote to be obtained with approval.

### **Policies/Legislation:**

Development Charges Act

**Alignment with Strategic Priorities:**

<b>Infrastructure Improvement</b>	<b>Recreation</b>	<b>Economic Development</b>	<b>Community Engagement</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> To improve West Elgin's infrastructure to support long-term growth.	<input type="checkbox"/> To provide recreation and leisure activities to attract and retain residents.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To ensure a strong economy that supports growth and maintains a lower cost of living.	<input type="checkbox"/> To enhance communication with residents.

Respectfully submitted by,

Terri Towstiuic, Clerk