City of Mississauga

Corporate Report



Date: March 1, 2021

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Gary Kent, CPA, CGA, ICD.D, Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer

Originator's files:

Meeting date: March 24, 2021

Subject

Tax Adjustments pursuant to Section 334, 357 and 358 of the Municipal Act

Recommendation

- That the report of the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer dated March 1, 2021 entitled Tax Adjustments pursuant to Section 334, 357 and 358 of the *Municipal Act* be received.
- 2. That the tax adjustments outlined in Appendix 1 attached to this report for applications for cancellation or refund of taxes pursuant to Sections 334, 357 and 358 of the *Municipal Act* be approved.

Background

Sections 334, 357 and 358 of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25* allow a property owner or the Treasurer to make an application for the cancellation, reduction or refund of taxes for a number of specific reasons. Taxes may be adjusted when a building has been demolished or razed by fire or if a property has become exempt, changed class or has been overcharged by reason of gross or manifest error.

Comments

A total of 34 applications for tax adjustments have been prepared for Council's consideration.

The total cancellation or refund of taxes as recommended is \$210,485.98. Appendix 1 outlines the tax cancellations being recommended by property and summarizes by reason the number of applications and tax dollars recommended for reduction.

Following Council's decision, a Notice of Decision will be mailed to all applicants and their taxes will be adjusted accordingly. With the exception of Section 358 applications, if the applicant disagrees with the amount of the tax adjustment, they have 35 days from the date of the Notice of Decision to appeal Council's decision to the Assessment Review Board. Council's decision with respect to Section 358 tax adjustments is final.

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Financial Impact

The tax cancellations resulting from the section 334, 357 and 358 applications as listed in Appendix 1 will be charged back as follows:

	2019	2020	Total
City	9,368.49	40,420.50	49,788.99
Region	11,803.65	50,512.85	62,316.50
Education	21,591.31	76,789.18	98,380.49
Total	42,763.45	167,722.53	210,485.98

Conclusion

Tax adjustments for 2019 and 2020 taxation years are listed in Appendix 1. The *Municipal Act* requires Council to approve the tax adjustments.

Attachments

Appendix 1: Tax Adjustments Pursuant to the Municipal Act for Meeting on March 24, 2021

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