

City of Mississauga Corporate Report



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From: Shari Lichterman, CPA, CMA, Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer	Meeting date: December 1, 2021

Subject

2021 Strike-off of Taxes Deemed Uncollectible

Recommendation

That unpaid taxes, charges, fees, penalties and interest totalling \$46,941.03 as outlined in the corporate report from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer dated November 2, 2021 entitled "Strike-Off of Taxes Deemed Uncollectible" be written-off as uncollectible and removed from the tax roll.

Executive Summary

- Section 354 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* allows municipalities to remove unpaid taxes from the tax roll if the Council of the local municipality approves the recommendation of the treasurer to write off the taxes as uncollectible.
- \$46,941.03 of uncollectible property taxes, charges, fees, penalty and interest on three properties is being recommended for write-off.
- All collection efforts in accordance with Corporate Policy 04-02-03, Collection of Outstanding Property Taxes, have been exhausted.

Background

Section 354(2) (a) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* allows for the removal of unpaid taxes from the tax roll if the Council of the local municipality, on the recommendation of the Treasurer, writes off the taxes as uncollectible.

Comments

Staff have determined that taxes billed on three properties are uncollectible and the balance of taxes, fees and late payment charges should be written-off. All collection efforts in accordance with Corporate Policy 04-02-03, Collection of Outstanding Property Taxes, have been exhausted. Collection activities included assignment to the Bailiff.

Details of the properties including the reason and amounts being recommended for write-off are provided below.

Roll No.	Ward	Address	Tax Year(s)	Amount
05-05-0-113-07400	5	7198 Airport Rd	2008	\$3,353.79

The tax roll was deleted in January 2009 following the condominium being registered and tax rolls being created for all new units. The arrears are from 2006-2007 supplementary taxes billed in 2008.

Roll No.	Ward	Address	Tax Year(s)	Amount
05-05-0-113-60134	5	0 Airport Rd	2013-2019	\$41,683.33

This was a leased space at the Airport, leased by a foreign owned airline. The airline discontinued business with Canada in 2018.

Roll No.	Ward	Address	Tax Year(s)	Amount
05-15-0-070-12701	9	5591 Ninth Line	2004	\$1,903.91

The tax roll was deleted in January 2006. The arrears are from a 2004 assessment appeal that was completed in September 2007 resulting in additional taxes owing.

Engagement and Consultation

Collection activities include assignment to the Bailiff. For accounts at the airport, staff also consult with GTAA representatives in an effort to collect any outstanding tax balances.

Financial Impact

The tax write-off when approved will be charged back as follows:

City	\$ 9,533.42
Region	\$13,485.98
Education	<u>\$24,221.63</u>
Total	<u>\$46,941.03</u>

Conclusion

Taxes totalling \$46,941.03 have been deemed uncollectible and should be removed from the tax roll pursuant to section 354(2) (a) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.



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