# City of Toronto 2015 Scarborough Subway Development Charges Bylaw Amendment





Public Meeting (April 22, 2015)

Executive Committee



## Today we will discuss...

- Project Overview
- Current Bylaw
- Background Study Findings
- Proposed Bylaw Amendment



## Project Overview

- Council directed staff to update the DC rates for the Scarborough Subway Extension project (CC39.5, October 11, 2013)
- Retained Hemson Consulting to complete DC Study
- Proposed Amendment to 2013 Study and Bylaw
- Calculated based on existing DC legislation



## Key Documents Recently Released

- April 1 Notice of Public Meeting
- April 7 DC Background Study and Proposed Bylaw
- April 15 Staff Report

April 22 – Statutory Public Meeting



## Background - What are DCs?

- Fees collected at building permit
- Pays for growth-related capital infrastructure
- Principle is that "Growth Pays for Growth"
- Widely used in Ontario
- Governed by Provincial Legislation (DC Act, 1997)

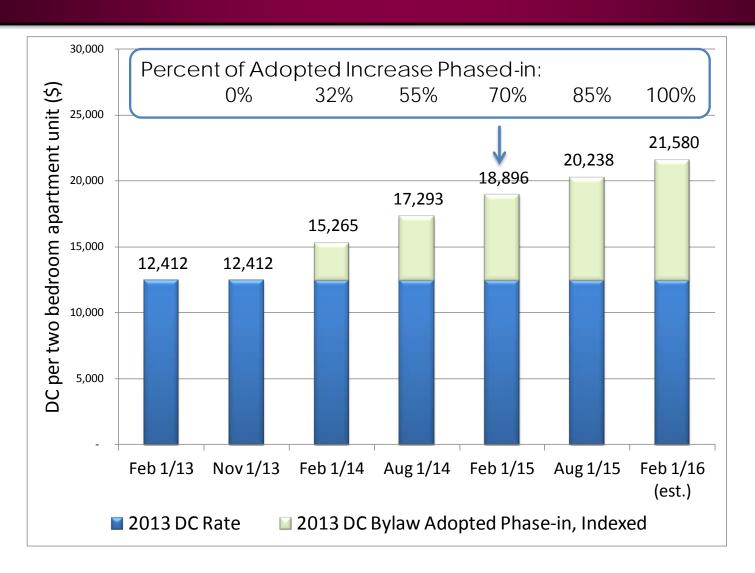


## Current (2013) DC Bylaw

- Adopted on October 11, 2013
- Effective November 1, 2013
- Expires in five years (October 2018)
- Two-year phase-in full rates still not implemented
  - Next phase-in dates: Aug 1/15 and Feb 1/16
- Uniform city-wide charges
- Various exemptions including:
  - Affordable rental housing
  - Industrial uses
  - Non-ground floor non-residential uses

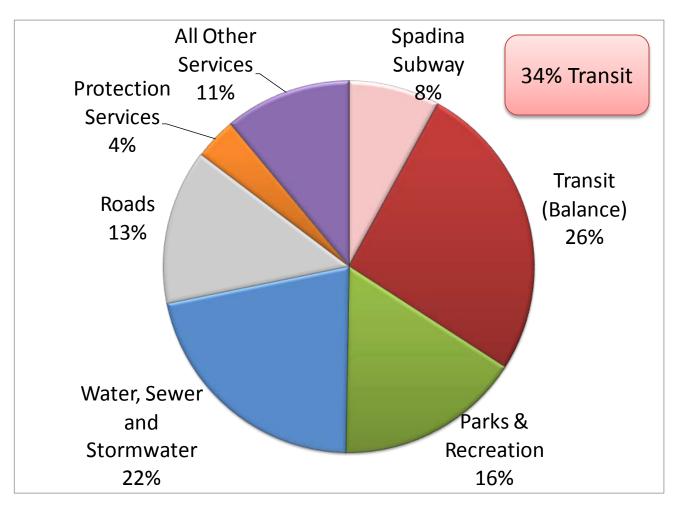


### 2013 DC Phase-in





## Residential Charge by Service



- 17 DC Services
- "All Other Services" includes Library, Subsidized Housing, Studies, Civic Improvements, Childcare, Health & Pedestrian Infrastructure



#### Process Overview

- Background Study 2014 to early 2015
  - Calculate DC rates
  - Allows growth capital costs to be recovered from new development ("cost recovery")
- Statutory Public Meeting April 22, 2015
  - Consider public input to proposed bylaw
- Council consideration
  - Can implement rates at or below calculated rates
- Bylaw can be appealed to the OMB (within 40 days)



## Public Engagement

- Key Stakeholders
  - BILD, TREB, TRBot, NAIOP, REALpac, TIN
  - DC Study calculations released in early March
  - Three meetings (March April) to discuss methodology, capital program, calculations, rates, and policies
  - Additional technical meeting with BILD at their request (April)
  - Responded to written submissions
  - Request for longer phase-in and questions about calculations
- Statutory Public Meeting
  - April 22, 2015 (Executive Committee) to consider public input

## Project Funding

#### 2015 to 2024 Capital Budget and Plan:

	\$millions		
Funding	(inflated dollars)		
Federal	660.0		
Provincial	1,990.0		
City	910.0		
Total	3,560.0		

City share funded through a combination of:

Property Tax Increase (0.5% for each of 2014 and 2015, and 0.6% planned for 2016

Development Charges (\$165M plus debt charge recovery)



#### Calculated DC Rates

Туре	2013 DC Background Study Calculated Charge <sup>1</sup>	Calculated Scarborough Subway Charge <sup>2</sup>	Total Amended Charge	% Change
Residential Charge Per Unit				
Singles & Semis	\$35,095	\$3,357	\$38,452	10%
Townhouses 2+ Bedrooms <sup>3</sup>	\$29,559	\$2,827	\$32,386	10%
Townhouses 1 Bed and Bach. <sup>3</sup>	\$21,113	\$2,019	\$23,132	10%
Apartments 2+ Bedrooms	\$21,582	\$2,064	\$23,646	10%
Apartments 1 Bed and Bach.	\$15,014	\$1,436	\$16,450	10%
Dwelling Room	\$9,384	\$897	\$10,281	10%
Non-Residential Charge Per Square Metre <sup>4</sup>				
Adjusted Charge per Square Metre	\$178.91	\$20.55	\$199.46	11%

<sup>(1)</sup> Calculated 2013 rates have been indexed

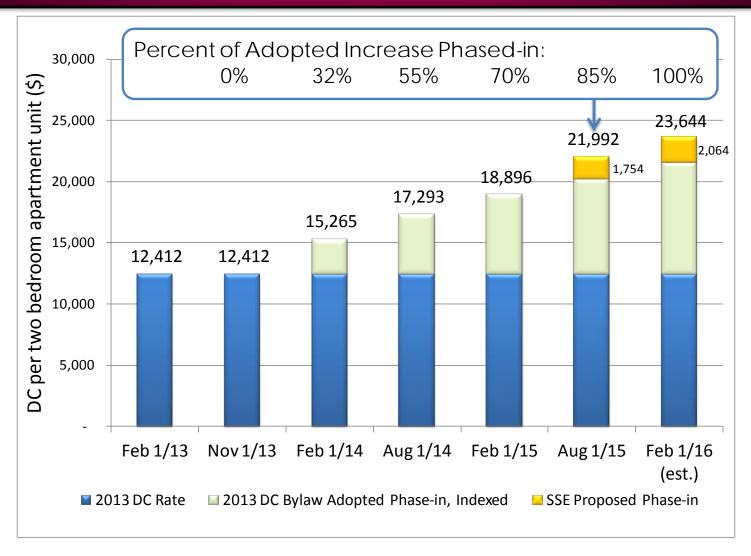
<sup>(4)</sup> Non-residential rates applicable to non-residential floor area located on the ground floor only



<sup>(2)</sup> Calculated SSE charge represents an additional rate applicable to the existing Transit DC

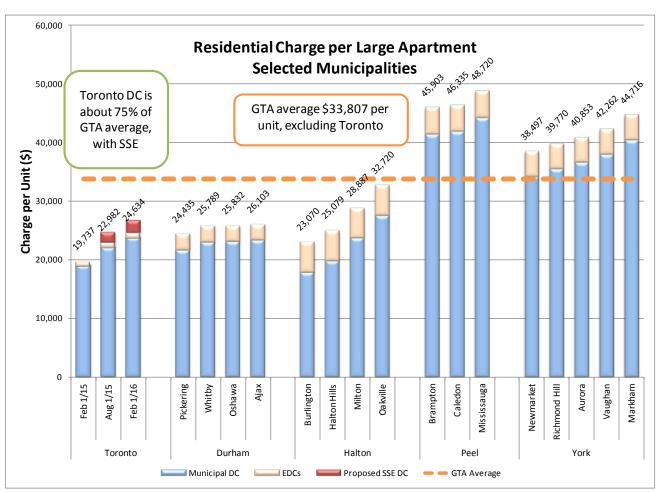
<sup>(3) &</sup>quot;Multiple dwelling unit" category in the DC bylaw includes a row dwelling, duplex, triplex or a back to back townhouse unit

## Proposed Rate Phase-In





## DC Rate Comparison



Notes: (1) Rates as of February 2015, including EDCs.

(2) MLTT for Toronto (not shown in chart) is estimated at \$3,725 based on a \$400,000 value. Toronto DC rates, with MLTT, are about 15% below the GTA average DC imposed.



## Proposed Bylaw Amendment

- Proposed bylaw amendment to Transit DC rates
- Expected to generate approximately \$20 to \$25 million annually, on average, in Transit DC
- No changes to current bylaw policies
- Uniform City-wide charge
- Phase-in of rate increases



