

Temporary Changes to Financial Operational Practices



Overview

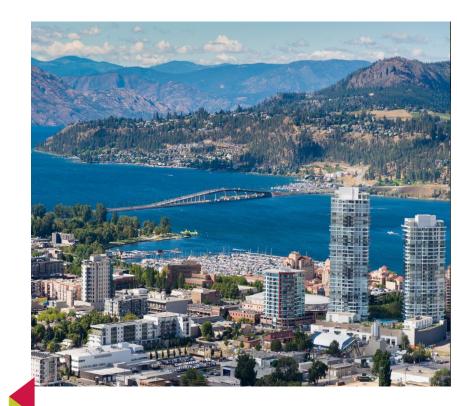
- The B.C. Assessment Authority has increased the assessed value UC1-5 properties as a result of the expanded land-use opportunities, and finalized property sales that informed the market values.
- These assessed values are driving significant property tax increases for some of those properties.
- This is a highly complex issue and is not driven by any single cause.
- » Landscape continues to evolve re: Provincial driven zoning





Challenges:

- » Affected properties exist in multiple classes
- » Tax Distribution Policy distributes the municipal portion of property taxes based on the proportion of the total assessed value.
- » All solutions create or maintain inequities.







Statistics

- Properties rezoned to UC1, UC2, UC3, UC4, or UC5:
 - 9,140 or 16% of overall properties within the City
- Portion of properties under 30% assessment increase or new tax roll in 2024:
 - » 8,720 or 95% of the total impacted properties
- » Remaining properties with a larger than 30% assessment increase:
 - » 420 properties
 - » Residential 225 properties
 - » Light Industrial 5 properties
 - » Business 190 properties
 - Represents ~\$3.5M in tax revenue





Recommendation 1:

- Defer late-payment penalties for Class 05 & Class 06 property taxes (to November 1, 2024)
 - Opportunity cost approximately \$1.8M in investment revenue





Recommendation 2:

- One-time Grant program
- » Criteria to be decided by Council that consider:
 - » Properties within a UC1-UC5 zone;
 - » Property assessment class;
 - » Principle use;
 - » Assessed value increase.





This concludes the report.

Questions?