

Exemptions

Town development charges apply to new developments unless exempted by the [Development Charges By-law](#) or [Development Charges Act](#). Exemptions include, but are not limited to:

- Land used for private schools
- Land used for cemeteries or burial grounds exempt from taxation under the Assessment Act
- Places of worship
- Non-residential uses permitted by the Planning Act
- Building permits not resulting in additional gross floor area
- Agricultural uses
- Public hospitals receiving aid under the Public Hospital Act
- Land vested in or leased to government-funded universities for post-secondary education
- Non-Profit residential development
- Affordable residential units required pursuant to section 34 and 16(4) of the Planning Act
- Affordable and attainable residential units

Development Charge Credits

Town of Aurora Council may offer, by agreement, credit towards development charges in exchange for relevant work. Contact Town of Aurora staff for further information.



Indexing

Development charges imposed under the current Development Charges By-law shall be adjusted semi-annually, without an amendment to the by-law. Development charges rates will be adjusted on January 1 and July 1 of each year, in accordance with the Statistics Canada Non-Residential Building Quarterly Construction Price Index for Toronto.

Reporting

The annual Treasurer's Statement identifies opening and closing reserve fund balances and transactions during the year. The statement is available for review in the office of the Town Clerk email clerks@aurora.ca.

Development Charges By-law Term

The Town of Aurora's Development Charges By-law will be in effect until March 26, 2034, unless it is repealed at an earlier date.

This pamphlet provides an overview of the Town of Aurora's development charges and is intended to be used only as a guide. Applicants should review the [Town's Development Charges By-law](#) and the [Development Charges Act, 1997](#) and consult with Finance Department staff.

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Development Charges Rates

Effective June 6, 2024

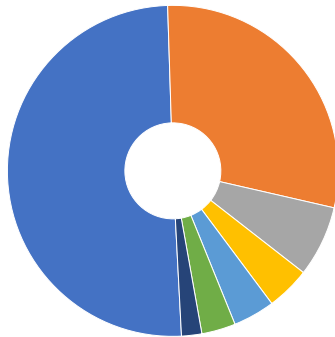


Town of Aurora Development Charges

Town of Aurora's 2024 [Development Charges Bylaw No. 6592-24](#) allocates \$255.6 million for growth-related capital projects until 2029. \$168.6 million of this sum will be recovered through development charges. These charges, collected from developers serve as a key revenue stream to fund essential growth-related infrastructure like water, wastewater, roads and parks & recreation.

Breakdown of Development Charges Eligible Capital Costs until 2029 Total \$168.6 Million

- Parks and Recreation Services
- Services Related to a Highway
- Library Services
- Fire Protection Services
- Wastewater - Sewers
- Water Distribution
- Public Works



Development Charges Rates

The development charges rates represent 80 percent of the full required rate with the remaining 20 percent phased in annually over the next five years, as per Section 5(8) of the Development Charges Act effective March 26, 2024.

Residential Development Charges Rates in the Town of Aurora

Service	RESIDENTIAL (per unit)				
	Single and Semi-Detached Dwelling	Apartment Large ≥700 sq.ft	Apartment Small <700sq.ft	Other Multiples	Special Care/Special Dwelling Units
Town-Wide Services					
Fire Protection Services	1,292	726	499	991	401
Library Services	2,935	1,648	1,133	2,251	912
Parks and Recreation Services	21,280	11,950	8,211	16,321	6,612
Town-Wide Services	25,507	14,324	9,843	19,563	7,925
Town-Wide Engineered Services					
Services Related to a Highway	9,404	5,281	3,629	7,212	2,922
Wastewater Services	1,233	692	476	946	383
Water Services	1,003	563	387	769	312
Town-Wide Engineered Services	11,640	6,536	4,492	8,927	3,617
GRAND TOTAL	37,147	20,860	14,335	28,490	11,542

Non-Residential Development Charges Rates in the Town of Aurora

Service	Per square foot of Gross Floor Area			Per square Metre of Gross Floor Area		
	Industrial/Office/Institutional	Retail	Hotel/Motel	Industrial/Office/Institutional	Retail	Hotel/Motel
Town-Wide Services						
Fire Protection Services	0.58	0.58	0.58	4.99	4.99	4.99
Library Services	0.15	0.15	0.15	1.29	1.29	1.29
Parks and Recreation Services	1.07	1.07	1.07	9.22	9.22	9.22
Town-Wide Services	1.80	1.80	1.80	15.50	15.50	15.50
Town-Wide Engineered Services						
Services Related to a Highway	4.22	4.22	4.22	36.34	36.34	36.34
Wastewater Services	0.55	0.55	0.55	4.74	4.74	4.74
Water Services	0.45	0.45	0.45	3.87	3.87	3.87
Town-Wide Engineered Services	5.22	5.22	5.22	44.95	44.95	44.95
GRAND TOTAL	7.02	7.02	7.02	60.45	60.45	60.45

Imposition of Development Charges

Development charges are applied to all new residential and non-residential lands, buildings or structure developments within the Town of Aurora at the time of development approval.

The Town enforces these charges through a single bylaw. Bylaw No. 6592-24 that was enacted on March 26, 2024

This by-law imposes the necessary development charges to cover the Town's growth-related capital costs for services including water, fire, wastewater, library, roads, public works and parks & recreation.

Development Charges Payment Timing

Payment of development charges is typically due upon the issuance of the first building permit for each building or structure.

For residential subdivisions, charges for roads, water and wastewater are collected upon entering into a subdivision development agreement. For purpose-built rental or institutional developments, charges are paid in equal annual installments starting from the earlier of the permit authorizing occupation or the date of the building's first occupancy, continuing for the next five anniversaries of that date.

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