

PUBLIC NOTICE



CITY OF BRANTFORD NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS 2020 FINAL TAX BILLS

Instalment 1: Friday, June 26

Instalment 2: Wednesday, September 9

IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED YOUR BILL,
PLEASE CALL THE TAX OFFICE AT: 519-759-4150.

Although late payment fees are not currently being added to accounts with unpaid 2020 taxes, property owners are strongly encouraged to pay their 2020 taxes by the due date. Properties with taxes outstanding for 2019 and prior years are still subject to a penalty of 1.25% of the unpaid tax on the first day of each month. Penalty and interest charges cannot be waived.

PAYMENTS:

AT YOUR FINANCIAL INSTITUTION: Ask your banker for the payment options they may provide.

ON-LINE BANKING: Payment can be made through on-line banking using your account number. Please pay at least two days before due date to ensure we have your payment in time.

Pre-Authorized Payment (PAP): Taxes may be paid conveniently by PAP from your bank account. Monthly PAP is offered for the 1st or 15th of the month. Please call our Tax Office for details. Online forms are also available from our website – www.brantford.ca.

BY MAIL: To The City of Brantford, PO Box 515, Brantford, ON N3T 6L6.

IN-PERSON: At this time, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, City Hall, 100 Wellington Square is closed to the public and payments cannot be made in-person. A drop box is located to the left of the front door. Please do not put cash in the drop box.

PROPERTIES WITH TAX ARREARS

Tax Sale legislation has changed: If your property taxes are in arrears for all or part of **TWO** (formerly three) years as at January 1, it is subject to the Municipal Act, 2001, Part XI - Sale of Land for Tax Arrears, and subject to our fees and costs for all notices sent to inform you of this matter.

NEW CONSTRUCTION PROPERTIES

For newly constructed / renovated homes or buildings, it can take up to three years for the assessment to be given to the City, but taxes are payable from the date of fit-for-occupancy or possession. Please plan ahead by setting aside funds for these retroactive tax billings. You can also pre-pay by joining the PAP plans. Call 519-759-4150 for details.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION

Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Mohawk Lake and Mohawk Canal Cleanup and Rehabilitation Project Functional Master Drainage and Restoration Study

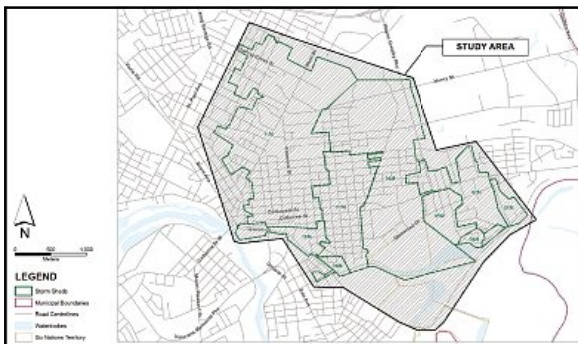


The Project

The City of Brantford (the City) has completed a Functional Master Drainage and Restoration Study (the Study), as part of the Mohawk Lake and Mohawk Canal Cleanup and Rehabilitation Project. The Study has identified rehabilitation measures to address accumulated sediment in the Lake and Canal and has provided opportunities/recommendations to improve the environmental quality of Mohawk Lake and Mohawk Canal and protect and enhance its future in the community.

Mohawk Lake is located in an urban area with a drainage area of 839 hectares. The land use within the lake's drainage area is primarily residential and commercial with some industrial properties. Over time, the lake and canal's sediment and water quality have been negatively impacted by stormwater and industrial discharges. Industrial discharges have been largely discontinued and cleanup efforts have been completed on brownfield lands upstream and adjacent to the canal, however, the lake and canal are still negatively impacted.

This project, conducted as a Municipal Engineer's Class Environmental Assessment, has reviewed the existing conditions/environment of the Lake and Canal, and from this established a number of alternatives (long-list) to address the identified Problem Statement. Through a systematic assessment of alternatives, which has included engagement and feedback from stakeholders and the public, a set of preferred works and activities has been advanced.



The Process

The Study was carried out in accordance with the requirements necessary to receive federal funding and followed the Ontario Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) process for Master Plans (Approach #2), as outlined in the Municipal Engineers Association's Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 & 2015), which is an approved process under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act. The process included consultation with the public, stakeholders and review agencies throughout the Study. Two Public Information Centres were held on June 5, 2019, and October 23, 2019, respectively.

In 2018, the City initiated the first phase of the Study that constituted a Characterization Study, documenting the existing physical and environmental conditions of the drainage network, lake, and canal for the Study area. Using background information collected as part of the Characterization Study, this Study investigated how to improve the environmental quality in the lake and canal by managing stormwater runoff, providing better habitat for fish and wildlife and improving recreational opportunities.

Project Reports for Public Review

The following documents have been prepared as part of this Study:

- A Subwatershed Stormwater Plan focusing on runoff management (quantity/quality) from the Mohawk Lake tributary's basin, aimed at understanding the current water resources of Mohawk Lake and Canal, as well as future subwatershed system (based on intensified land uses).
- An Environmental Assessment Report summarizing the planning and decision-making process, including consultation activities, preferred alternatives and the next steps.
- A Master Plan Report outlining Long Term Community Engagement Plan, conceptual cost estimates and phasing for implementation.

These reports will be available for public and agency review at brantford.ca/MohawkLakeCanalEA for a 45 day review period, starting from June 29, 2020, and ending on August 10, 2020.

This Study identified Schedule A/A+ and Schedule B projects. A complete list of those projects is provided in the Environmental Assessment Report prepared as part of this Study. A list of Schedule B projects is provided below:

Project Description	Class EA Schedule
West Canal Restoration (Upstream)	Schedule B
West Canal Restoration (Downstream)	Schedule B
Outfall Retrofits	Schedule B
Shallow Creek Retrofit	Schedule B
Mohawk Lake (and East Canal) Strategic Sediment Removal and Lake Bed Recontouring	Schedule B
Wildlife Management (Carp Exclusion)	Schedule B
Landfill Contamination Mitigation Works	Schedule B

Please contact the Project Managers with questions, concerns or accessibility requests regarding comments on the above reports:

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Anyone with an interest in the Study is encouraged to review these reports and provide comments to the City during the designated review period. If concerns arise during the 45-day review period which cannot be resolved through discussions with the City, a person may request that the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act (a Part II order). However, requests for an order to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act would be possible only for the Schedule B projects identified via this study. This request must be received within the above-noted 45-day timeline ending on August 10, 2020, by the Minister, at the address listed below, and copied to Nahed Ghbn, City of Brantford Senior Project Manager. If no request is received, subject to the receipt of necessary approvals, the City intends to proceed with the project implementation phase. Part II Order Requests should be made to the City Project Manager and Consultant and following:

Minister - Honourable Rod Phillips

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

777 Bay Street West, 5th Floor, Toronto ON M7A 2T5
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Director - Environmental Assessment Branch

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

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Civic News

CITY OF BRANTFORD CUSTOMER

CONTACT CENTRE519-759-4150

Our Customer Service Representatives are happy to answer your enquiries and/or direct you to the appropriate staff to respond.

Social Services 519-759-3330

Tax Office 519-750-1072

Economic Development
and Tourism 519-751-9900



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PUBLIC NOTICE



CITY OF BRANTFORD MASTER SERVICING PLAN TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN ENVISIONING OUR CITY: 2041

Notice of Public Information Centre Water, and Stormwater Master Servicing Plan and Transportation Master Plan Updates

The City of Brantford is undertaking three studies to guide the City's future development through to 2041. The City's Official Plan, Master Servicing Plan, and Transportation Master Plan are being updated, and account for the Boundary Expansion Lands that were transferred from Brant County to the City on January 1, 2017.

Master Servicing Plan Update (MSP)



The objective of the MSP study is to develop a comprehensive plan that will incorporate all facets of the management, expansion, and funding of the water, wastewater, and stormwater systems for the entire city, including servicing of the Boundary Expansion Lands, to the year 2041 and beyond.

Transportation Master Plan Update (TMP)



The TMP study will provide a balanced strategy for the servicing and operation of important transportation infrastructure within the entire City, including the Boundary Expansion Lands, up to 2041. The goal of this TMP is to ensure that the transportation system can accommodate growth and meet the needs of pedestrians, cyclists, transit users, goods movement, and automobiles.

The Master Servicing Plan and Transportation Master Plan Updates are being completed as separate Class EA studies in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) Class Environmental Assessment (EA) process for master planning (MEA, June 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 and 2015). The studies are being undertaken based on Phases 1 and 2 of the Class EA processes for Master Plans.

We Want to Hear From You!

What should the City of Brantford look like in 2041? The decisions we make as a community today will shape our City's future tomorrow. At our last Public Information Centre (PIC) in February 2020, we presented the opportunities and constraints associated with meeting the growth targeted in the City's Official Plan using existing transportation and servicing infrastructure. Where transportation and servicing constraints were identified, infrastructure/strategy improvement opportunities to meet these challenges in the future were presented.

At our current PIC, we will present the preferred strategy for a multi-modal transportation plan for the TMP and for a city wide master servicing plan for the MSP.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the PIC will be held as a virtual PIC. All content and instructions on how to submit questions will be posted on the project webpages:

www.brantford.ca/MasterServicingPlan
www.brantford.ca/TransportationMasterPlan

PIC Boards and a video walkthrough of their content were posted on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. This was followed by a two week question submission period that closed on June 23, 2020. A question and answers video will be posted on Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. This will be followed by a three week question submission period, closing July 21, 2020. A Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document will be posted on Tuesday, July 28, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. If you wish to submit comments or would like to be added to the project mailing list, please contact staff below:

MASTER SERVICING PLAN

brantford.ca/MasterServicingPlan

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