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King approves 2022 water/wastewater rates

King Township Council approved the 2022 water and wastewater rates at its Jan. 10, 2022, meeting.

Under a blended total rate of 3.21 per cent for water and wastewater services, the average annual increase will be \$58.57 for 2022 based on the average annual consumption of 270 cubic metres per year. King's water rates are tiered in terms of consumption to encourage water conservation and the majority of King homeowners are in the lowest tier.

As was offered last year, to assist homeowners who have been financially impacted by COVID-19, eligible property owners are once again able to spread payment of a quarterly water bill over a three-month period with no interest in 2022. To qualify, the property owner must contact the Township Finance Department to make a formal request prior to the due date. For more details see www.king.ca/waterrates.

Municipalities are required by the Sustainable Water and Sewage Act (2002) to recover the full cost of providing water services to the public.

York Region is responsible for bulk water supply and transmission, as well as wastewater treatment and trunk sewer conveyance systems. The Township is responsible for operation and maintenance of the local water distribution and sewage collection systems in King City, Nobleton, Schomberg and Ansnorveldt.

The Township's water rate consists of fixed and variable components: a base rate to cover fixed costs and a variable rate based on water consumption.

QUOTE

Mayor Steve Pellegrini (FOR APPROVAL)

"We are taking a balanced approach to ensure water quality is maintained while recognizing the financial challenges some of our residents may be facing during the pandemic. Staff brought forward rate increases that are below inflationary pressures and will still allow us to continue to offer the safe and reliable services our residents depend on."

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Lying in the heart of the Greater Toronto Area, King Township is located within York Region, one of the fastest growing and diverse economies in Canada. More than 60 per cent of the Holland Marsh, also known as Ontario's salad bowl, lies within King Township. Though predominantly rural, most of King Township's 28,500 residents live in the communities of King City, Nobleton and Schomberg. Residents and visitors are drawn to King because of its rural lifestyle, village atmosphere and quality of life.

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