EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGES BY-LAWS 2014



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Education Development Charges

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

The Education Act provides that a district school board may pass by-laws for the imposition of education development charges against land in the area of its jurisdiction that is undergoing residential or non-residential development if there is residential development in the area of the jurisdiction of the district school board that would increase education land costs and the residential or non-residential development require one or more of the actions identified in section 257.54(2) of the Education Act;

Education development charges shall be imposed against all lands, buildings or structures undergoing residential and development if the development requires one or more of the following:

- a) the passing of a zoning by-law or of an amendment thereto under section 34 of the Planning Act;
- b) the approval of a minor variance under section 45 of the Planning Act;
- c) a conveyance of land to which a by-law passed under subsection 50(7) of the *Planning Act* applies:
- d) the approval of a plan of subdivision under section 51 of the *Planning Act*;
- e) a consent under section 53 of the Planning Act;
- f) the approval of a description under section 9 of the Condominium Act; or
- g) the issuing of a permit under the *Building Code Act, 1998* in relation to a building or structure.

PURPOSE OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGES:

Education development charges are used to fund the acquisition of school sites and related costs to accommodate growth-related pupil needs.

EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGE BY-LAW PROCESS:

The Durham District School Board and the Durham Catholic District School Board, together, held joint Public Meetings on March 31, 2014 and subsequently the Durham Catholic District School Board adopted an Education Development Charges (EDC) Bylaw on April 22, 2014, and the Durham District School Board adopted an EDC By-law on April 24, 2014. The effective implementation date for each Board's EDC By-law is May 2, 2014. The By-laws have a term of five (5) years unless repealed at an earlier date.

EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGE RATES:

The EDC By-laws impose education development charges against residential development in the Region of Durham excluding the Municipality of Clarington. The applicable rates are as follows:

For the period May 2, 2014 to May 1, 2019:

 Durham District School Board
 \$ 1,949.00

 Durham Catholic District School Board
 \$ 786.00

 Total
 \$ 2,735.00

The education development charges are additional to charges levied by other Boards and government bodies.

BY-LAW EXEMPTIONS:

In addition to the statutory exemptions required under the Education Act and set out in the By-laws, a number of non-statutory exemptions were approved by the Boards.

The exemptions as indicated in the By-Laws are as follows:

- iv. a public hospital receiving aid under the *Public Hospitals Act*;
- a publicly-funded university, community college or a college of applied arts and technology established under the *Ministry of Colleges and Universities* Act, or a predecessor statute, or a private elementary or secondary school;
- vi. a religious organization, but only when used and occupied as the principal residence of the clergy associated with the religious organization;
- vii. a seminary of learning maintained for educational purposes that is exempt from taxation under the Assessment Act, the whole profits from which are devoted or applied to such purposes.

TIMING OF PAYMENT OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGES:

Education Development Charges are payable in full to the municipality in which the development takes place, prior to the issuance of a building permit.

BY-LAW INSPECTION:

The EDC By-laws (2014) adopted by the Durham Catholic District School Board and the Durham District School Board are available for inspection in the Clerk's Office of each area municipality, as well as at the Board offices during regular business hours.

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