COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 9, 2014

TAX ADJUSTMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 354, 357 AND 358 OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT, S.O. 2001 - ALL WARDS

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer, in consultation with the Manager of Property Tax & Assessment, recommends:

That the tax adjustments as outlined on the attached report be approved.

Contribution to Sustainability

This is not applicable to this report.

Economic Impact

The City's share of these property tax adjustments is approximately \$29,898. A provision for tax adjustments has been budgeted.

Communications Plan

As required by the Act, notification of this meeting has been sent to all applicants and persons in respect of whom the applications were made, at least 14 days prior to the meeting. Notices of Decisions will be issued to all applicants detailing the total amount of the adjustment and the right of the applicant to appeal the decision to the Assessment Review Board.

Purpose

To obtain Council's approval for the increase or cancellation of property taxes as permitted under Section 354, 357 and 358 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

Background - Analysis and Options

Forty-one (41) applications have been prepared for Council's consideration for the cancellation, reduction or refund of taxes for the current and prior tax years, under sections 354, 357 and 358 of the *Municipal Act, 2001, as amended.* There are various reasons for tax adjustments such as property becoming exempt, roll numbers being cancelled by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), buildings that have been demolished or razed by fire, and properties that have been over assessed by a gross or manifest clerical error. These tax adjustments do not relate to collection issues.

One (1) application has been included for Council's consideration but does not require adjustment. They do not qualify for any adjustment under sections 354, 357 and 358 of the *Municipal Act, 2001, as amended.*

The total cancellation, reduction or refund of taxes, as recommended is \$154,180. The City portion of this amount is approximately \$29,898, or approximately 19%.

Approval of these adjustments will allow the applicant the right to appeal the decision to the Assessment Review Board.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

Regional Implications

The Region's share of these property tax adjustments is approximately \$52,649 or approx. 34%.

Conclusion

Council approval of the applications in this report will allow staff to proceed with the property tax adjustments as applicable. Council approval also gives the applicant the right to appeal the decision to the Assessment Review Board if so desired.

Attachments

Attachment 1 - Tax Appeal Report

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Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner of Finance and City Treasurer

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