

# **Development Charges Explained**

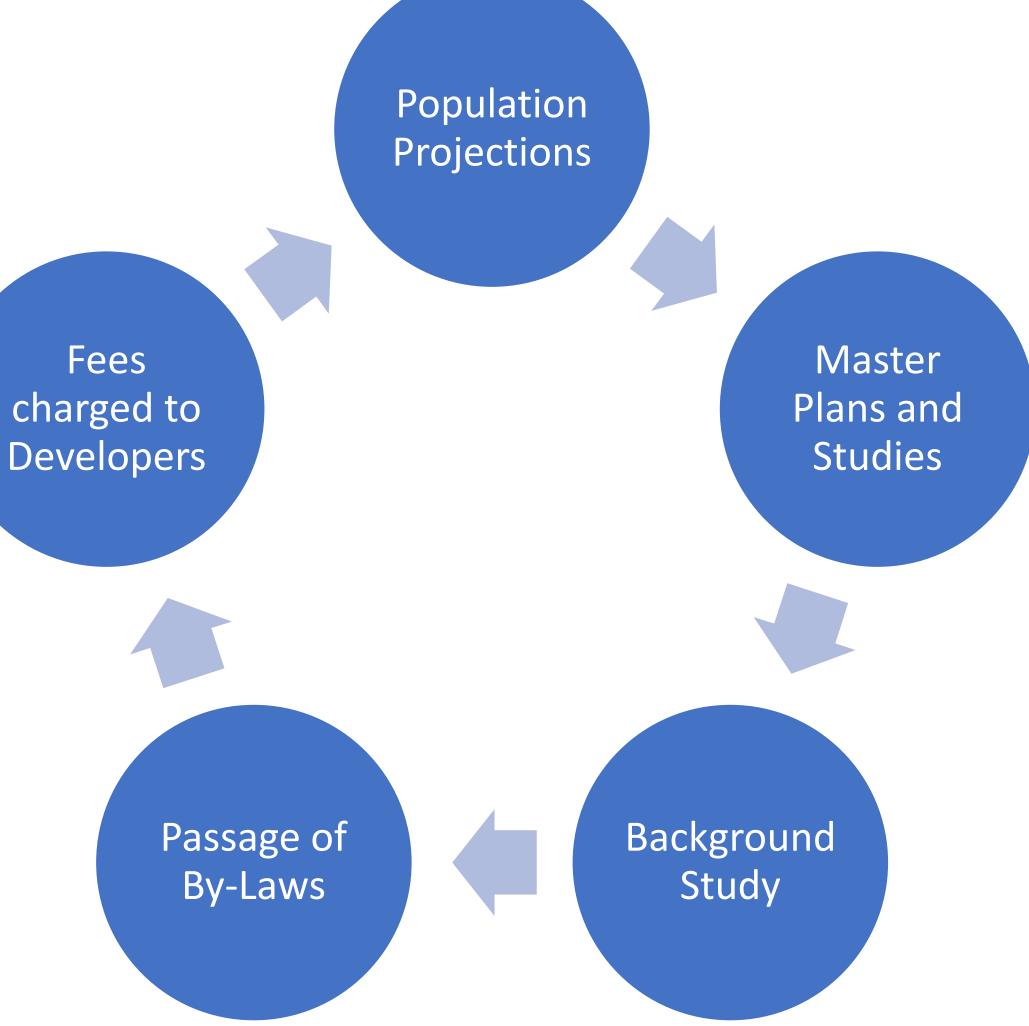
Development charges are one-time fees levied by municipalities on new construction of residential and non-residential development to help pay for a portion of growth-related capital infrastructure. Development charges are fees collected from developers at the time a building permit is issued. They help pay for the cost of the infrastructure required to provide municipal services to new development. The Municipality must comply with the Development Charges Act when determining how much the charges will be, and they types and value of the infrastructure they can help support.

### Upcoming Amendments

When different plans or needs studies are completed, the by-laws related to those services may be updated. In early 2024, the Municipality will update some of the new By-Laws using new information from the Transportation Master Plan, the Water & Wastewater Master Plan, and the Community Services Master Plan. The same process will be followed for these updates.

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Mississippi Mills conducted a Development Charges Background Study in the second half of 2023. This study reviewed population projections for the Municipality, planned infrastructure development, and how much funding would be needed to support this new growth. The study was published on October 5, 2023, on our web site. We encourage you to take a look, as it encapsulates future planning and growth across many different Municipal services.

**By-Laws** 

Following completion of the Background Study, Council held a public meeting to welcome questions and comments from the public about this study and the proposed by-laws related to the new fees, which are to be effective January 1, 2024. There are eight by-laws in total, one for each Municipal service that is supported by **Development Charges:** 

Child Care Services Library Services Water Fire & Emergency Services

After the public meeting, Council reviewed the by-laws again on November 21, and the by-laws were approved on December 5, 2023.

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## **Background Study**

**Transportation Services Recreation & Parks** Wastewater Septage