

Mayoral Direction to City Staff

Under Bill 3, the *Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, 2022*, which amended the *Municipal Act, 2001*,

I, Alex Nuttall, Mayor of the City of Barrie, announce that the City of Barrie fully supports the program recently introduced by the Government Canada and the Province of Ontario to reduce development charges by up to 50% for all applicable developments for the next three years, and as such provide the following direction to staff:

1. That those developments/applications that have previously been approved for the City's Development Charge Waiver program pursuant to Council motion 25-G-197 and further modified by Mayoral Direction to City Staff MDIR009-25, be permitted to pay their applicable development charges at any point prior to the commencement of building activity before May 31, 2026. The City agrees to reimburse these funds in full by June 1, 2026 in a manner consistent with the intent of the program.
2. That the Development Charge Deferral Waiver Program/Policy be updated to include the following:
 - a. The City may approve (at the City's sole discretion) the registration of Restrictive Covenants pursuant to Section 118 of the Land Titles Act (the "Section 118 Restrictions") by a developer in lieu of financial securities in order to have their required Development Charges deferred to the first date of occupancy.
 - b. The Section 118 Restrictions will prohibit the transfer of any lands benefitting from the deferral of Development Charges without the consent of the City; and
 - c. The City will provide its consent to remove the Section 118 Restrictions from title to any lands upon receipt of payment of all deferred Development Charges payable for those lands.

Dated at the City of Barrie, this 1st day of April, 2026.

"Original Signed by"

Mayor Alex Nuttall