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Dear Ratepayers,

Re: Changes to Municipal Property Tax Due Date and Penalty Enforcement

We hope this letter finds you well. As we prepare for the upcoming tax season, we wanted to inform you of important changes regarding municipal property tax due dates and penalty enforcement.

In light of the evolving circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, the Council made a temporary adjustment to the property tax schedule in 2021. This adjustment extended the due date for municipal property tax payments from September 30 to December 31, with the penalty applied on January 1st only.

Now, after careful consideration and discussions, the Council has decided to reinstate the prior bylaw regarding property tax due dates and penalties. Beginning with the 2024 tax year, property taxes will once again be due by September 30th, with penalties applied on October 1, November 1, and December 1 for any outstanding payments. Any remaining unpaid taxes as of January 1st will be considered arrears, and penalties will be levied accordingly.

We understand that many of you have arrangements with financial institutions for the collection of property taxes through your mortgages. If this applies to you, we kindly ask that you notify your financial institution of this change in schedule.

For those who receive tax notices directly from the municipality, please be advised that the 2024 Municipal levy and tax notices will be issued and mailed/emailed at the end of April or beginning of May. Rest assured, any changes regarding property tax due dates will be clearly communicated in these notices.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and your cooperation as we work to ensure the smooth operation of municipal services.

If you have any questions or require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the office Thank you for your continued support.