

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

BYLAW NO. 2025-17

A bylaw to establish charges for the uniform water service rate

WHEREAS Part XII of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, authorizes a municipality to pass bylaws imposing fees or charges on persons for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of it;

AND WHEREAS, on September 9, 2021, the Committee of the Whole recommended that Regional Council adopt the annual water and wastewater user rates for the period of April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2028 to maintain full cost recovery as set out in the Report of the Commissioner of Environmental Services and Commissioner of Finance and the recommendation was approved by Regional Council on September 23, 2021;

AND WHEREAS, on October 24, 2024, the Commissioner of Finance presented the 2025 to 2026 Regional Budget report shown as item H.5 on the agenda, Regional Council referred certain recommendations for consideration at the November 28, 2024 Regional Council meeting, including the recommendation to authorize the Regional Solicitor to prepare the necessary bylaws including bylaws to authorize the fees and charges relating to transit and water and wastewater detailed on pages 86 and 93, respectively, in the 2025 to 2026 Budget Book;

AND WHEREAS, on November 28, 2024, Regional Council adopted the referred recommendation and approved the 2025 budget;

AND WHEREAS, Regional Council deems it necessary and expedient to establish a water service rate for the upper-tier water system operated in the Region;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of The Regional Municipality of York enacts as follows:

1. In this bylaw:

“Area Municipality” includes the following local municipalities of the Region:

The Corporation of the Town of Aurora,
The Corporation of the Town of East Gwillimbury,
The Corporation of the Town of Georgina,
The Corporation of the Township of King,
The Corporation of the City of Markham,
Corporation of the Town of Newmarket,
The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill,
The Corporation of the City of Vaughan, and

The Corporation of the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville;

“Region” means The Regional Municipality of York;

“Regional Council” and “Council” mean the municipal council of the Region; and

“Regional Treasurer” means the treasurer appointed by Regional Council pursuant to the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, and their designate; and

“Uniform Water Service Rate” shall be the rate described in section 2.

2. For the period from April 1, 2025, to March 31, 2026, inclusive, the Uniform Water Service Rate shall be \$1.4734.
3. Each Area Municipality shall pay to the Region for water service supplied to that Area Municipality the amount determined by multiplying the Uniform Water Service Rate by the total amount of cubic metres of water supplied to the Area Municipality.
4. An account shall be submitted by the Regional Treasurer to each of the area municipalities for water service supplied for each of the periods ending April 30, June 30, August 31, October 31, December 31, 2025, and February 28 and April 30, 2026, and each such account shall be payable to the Region at its office in the Town of Newmarket within 30 days after the date on which the account was submitted.
5. In the event of default or dispute of payment of any account submitted pursuant to this bylaw, a dispute resolution process agreed upon by the Region and Area Municipality shall be initiated by the Area Municipality. Each Area Municipality will be responsible for all timely payment of any account submitted pursuant to this bylaw to be eligible for any credits resulting from the agreed upon dispute resolution process.

ENACTED AND PASSED on March 20, 2025.

Regional Clerk

Regional Chair

*Authorized by Item H.5 of the Regional Council Meeting agenda of October 24, 2024,
adopted by Regional Council at its meeting on November 28, 2024*