

Media Release

Township of Essa
Office of the Mayor and CAO

Council approves 2025 Township of Essa Budget

Utopia - December 19th, 2024 – On December 18th, 2024, Township of Essa Council approved its 2025 budget, which focuses on resources necessary to maintain existing services, aged asset replacement and address significant growth in our communities. The 2025 approved budget of \$38,222,833.00 represents a total tax increase of 3.26% which equals approximately \$25.61 per \$100,000 of residential assessment based on the MPAC 2016 Current Assessments Value (CVA) not the current market value of a home/property.

“Essa Council and Staff worked diligently to find efficiencies wherever possible, and Essa remains the lowest tax rate in all 16 municipalities in Simcoe County, while ensuring we maintain the ability to meet service demands and infrastructure needs as our communities continue to grow” said Mayor Sandie Macdonald.

“We are thankful to the provincial Ford government for providing the 2025 financial relief to offset the financial impact of the rapidly escalating cost of policing in Essa and across Ontario” Mayor Macdonald said.

While pressures continue, the 2025 budget ensures the Township continues to address infrastructure needs and areas of growth, as well as initiatives directed by Council to enhance and maintain critical service levels. The Township’s 2025 Capital requests of \$15,750,414 include new and continuing capital projects. Capital projects are not directly funded by property tax and user rates; rather they are funded by a combination of grants, reserves /reserve funds and debentures.

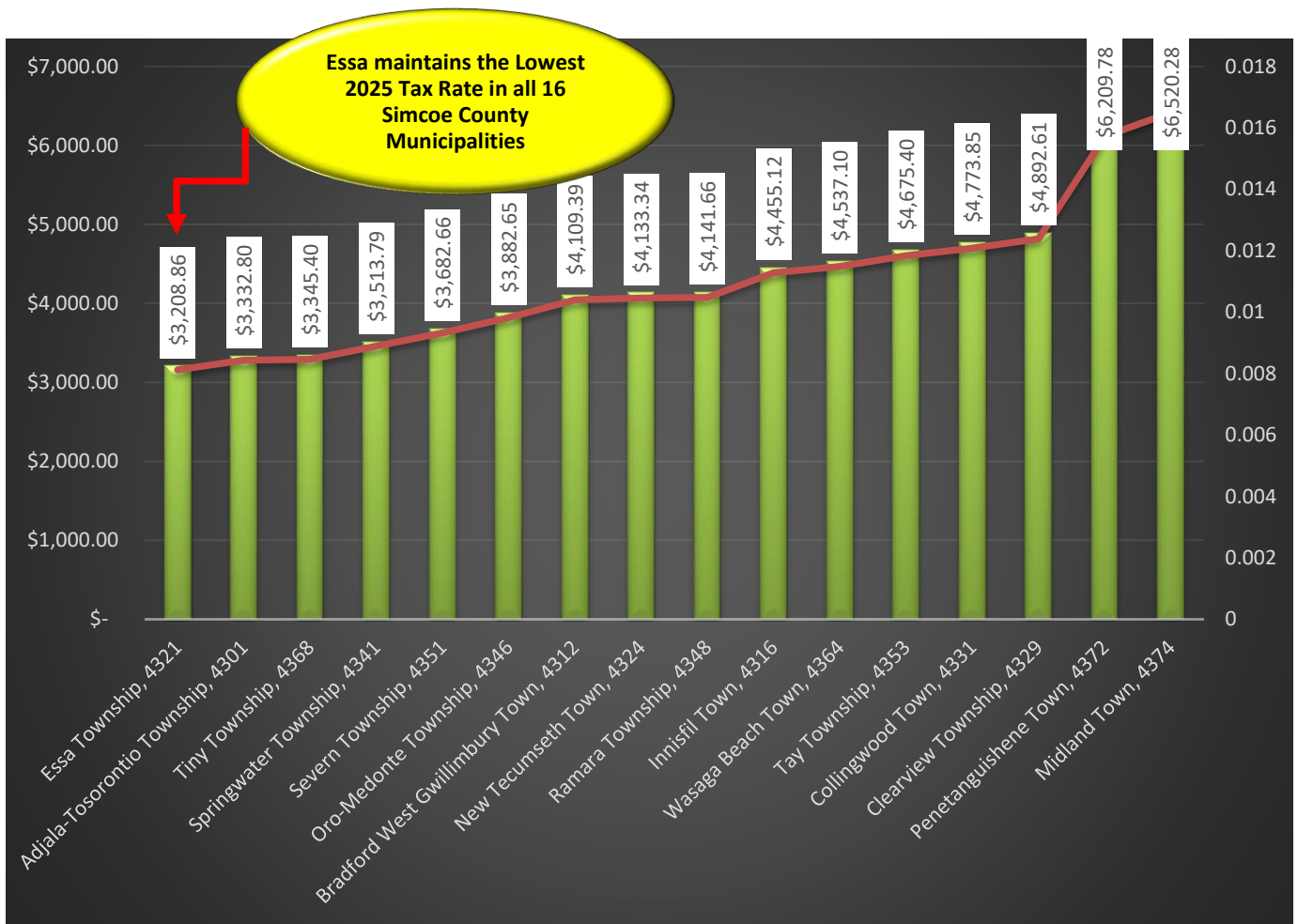
2025 Budget Highlights include:

- Asset Management Contribution was increased to 7.5%
- Official Plan updates
- Replacing and Upgrading Fire Services Equipment
- Finalizing the design of the new Angus Firehall
- Road Upgrades & Urbanization (11th Line, 9th Line, Simcoe Street, 10th Line, 8th Line, 6th Line)
- Bridge Culvert Replacement and Concrete Culvert Replacement (Aged Assets)
- Marshall Subdivision Drainage Improvements
- 5th Line Bridge (Bridge No.9, Miller’s Bridge) replacement detailed design.
- Angus Wastewater Expansion Environmental Assessment (Class EA)
- LeClair Park Improvements
- Skate Park Relocation / Outdoor Rink to the Angus Community Centre
- Gold Park – ECO Park – Phase 1
- 366 Mill Street – Fishing Park Upgrades
- Brownley Meadows Park – Outdoor Arena

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2025 Tax Levy by Dept.

