
Term	Acronym	Description
Deficit		Excess of liabilities over assets, or expenditures over revenue
Department Head		Commissioner of any City department
Developer Contributions		Monies collected from developers for specific municipal infrastructure to be constructed by the City (for example, traffic signals, tree planting and sidewalks)
Development Charges	DC	Fees collected by the City from developers, generally at the time a building permit is issued, to pay for the cost of the infrastructure required to provide municipal services (for example, roads, transit, community centres, and fire stations) to support a growing population and employment base
<i>Development Charges Act, 1997</i>	DCA	The <i>Development Charges Act, 1997</i> and its regulations lay out Ontario's regulatory and legislative framework for municipalities for the collection of Development Charges
Donations & Contributions		Cash or in-kind, from individuals and organizations
Drainage		Removal of excess surface water or ground water from land by means of surface or subsurface drains
Dredging		Removal of accumulated sediments and/or deposits to improve water quality and/or flow capacity; typically performed to improve water quality of stormwater management facilities or increase flow capacity of watercourses
Economic Adjustment		Cost-of-living wage/salary adjustment
Enersource		Enersource is a company whose principal business activities are to hold the shareholders' equity interest in Alectra, receive dividends from Alectra, service its debt and distribute dividends to its shareholders annually. The City is a 90 per cent shareholder in Enersource
Environmental Assessment	EA	Mandated study/review of the impact public sector undertakings, usually infrastructure, will have on the environment
