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December 11, 2025

Here are the highlights from the South Dundas Council meeting held December 10, 2025.

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**2026 Water and Wastewater Rates**

Council has approved the water and wastewater rates for 2026.

At the September 21, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting, Derek Ali of DFA Infrastructure International Inc. presented the Water and Wastewater Rate study as commissioned by the Municipality. The report, as accepted by council on October 11, 2022, recommended a 4% increase to each of the fixed and consumption water rates to become effective in 2023 and continue to increase the rates 4% annually for the next 19 years to support, in part, maintenance and future replacement of infrastructure. South Dundas continues to follow the recommendations set out in the water rate study by including a 4% increase in the water rate. Wastewater rates will increase based on water rates. They are 75% of water for Morrisburg and 100% of water for Iroquois.

In similar fashion, Morrisburg and Iroquois water and wastewater connection fees will increase from \$5,000 to \$6,148.77, as they have remained unchanged since 2019. The increase represents CPI adjustments since 2019.

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**Chess Road Speed Limit Reduction**

The Chess Road speed limit will be reduced to 60 km/hr.

Chess Road is a rural, dead end road with a number of residential dwellings along its length. This road operates under an 80 km/h speed limit. Recent concerns from residents have prompted a comprehensive speed study using traffic monitoring equipment owned by the Municipality of South Dundas. The study collected data over a 21-day period, measuring 1,360 incoming vehicles and 1,065 outgoing vehicles.

Reducing the speed will reduce stopping distances and severity of potential collisions, improves community concerns about speeding and demonstrates Council's commitment to road safety, and better reflects actual traffic conditions while discouraging extreme speeding behavior.

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### **Morrisburg Plaza – Design Options Discussion**

Council received a detailed delegation from Greer Galloway, the project consultant, outlining the preliminary design findings and various options for the Morrisburg Plaza redevelopment. This was followed by a staff report providing analysis and recommendations on key design decisions.

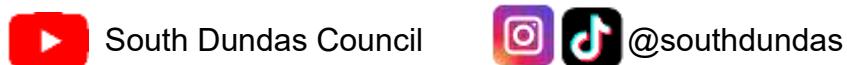
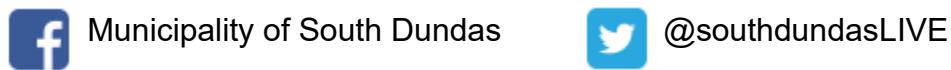
Council provided preliminary feedback on the presented options, allowing staff to move forward with the next phase of work. Staff were given direction to prioritize consultation with the Plaza's businesses on final aesthetics and layout items, including the critical discussion points of the storefront angled parking, general parking layouts, the future of the historical elements and necessary underground infrastructure upgrades.

This feedback enables staff to continue advancing the design work and finalize the aesthetic and functional details in the new year, ahead of the anticipated 2026 construction start.

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#### **Upcoming Meetings**

January 21, 2026 – 6:00 pm

February 4, 2026 – 6:00 pm