

TO: Administration & Finance Executive Committee

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SUBJECT: Consumer Price Index (CPI) Increase for 2021 User Fees

BACKGROUND

User Fees are an important part of the operational budget preparation for the coming year. In the past we have endeavored to pass the user fees, for the upcoming year in early December in order for them to be effective in January.

The first step in this process is to provide the Ontario Provincial Consumer Price Index (CPI) and the Canada Consumer Price index as guide for the user fee increases for the coming calendar year. The Ontario CPI indicates inflationary increase of 0.6% for the period of September 2019 to September 2020 and the Federal CPI indicates a 0.5% change for the same period as published by Statistics Canada, of which is attached for your information.

Administration is seeking direction for the inflationary increase for the 2021 user fees. Divisions will bring user fee schedules forward to their respective executive committees in November or December.