



Proposed Boundary Adjustment Frequently Asked Questions.

What is a "Municipal Boundary"?

A municipal boundary is a defined line that denotes the limits of a municipality's jurisdiction. Properties that fall within a municipality's boundary are subject to that municipality's bylaws, property tax levy, and services provided by that municipality.

How does a municipality "change" its boundary?

Section 173 of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001 identifies the process for a municipality to "restructure." Restructuring a municipality can include the annexation of lands from one municipality to another. Under this Act, the affected municipalities submit a proposal to the Minister of Municipal Affairs to change a municipal boundary. The Minister, after considering the proposal, can issue an order to change the municipal boundary, allowing one municipality to annex land from another municipality.

I am a resident of North Monaghan Ward – am I part of this proposed boundary adjustment?

The proposed boundary adjustment, with an anticipated effective date of January 1, 2018, is to the western boundary of the City including a long-term employment lands allocation, the Peterborough Airport, and the natural extension of residential lands. Maps are available on the Township website at <http://www.cavanmonaghan.net/en/proposed-boundary-adjustment-maps.asp>

What was the process that was used to develop the current proposal to change the City/ Township/ County boundary?

In March of 2015 the Minister of Municipal Affairs formally appointed the Provincial Land and Development Facilitator to assist the City, Cavan Monaghan and the County develop a local restructuring proposal that benefits all. Under the guidance of the Provincial Land and Development Facilitator, on December 7, 2016 the staff negotiations reached a successful conclusion with the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding

Is the proposed change to the City/Township boundary final?

The Memorandum of Understanding represents the terms of a proposal that has been negotiated by representatives of the City, Township and County. Should Council support moving this boundary adjustment forward, there are a series of actions that are required under **The Municipal Act, 2001**, one of which being the holding of a public meeting. A public consultation session is being proposed to Council for April 2017.

Following the public consultation, the Councils of each municipality will either support or not support the Restructuring Proposal. A Council will express support by passing bylaws approving the Restructuring Proposal and all agreements required to implement the proposal. The Restructuring Proposal will then be submitted to the Province for consideration.

What happens to the property taxes on the homes, businesses and farms that are part of the annexation?

For residents who will remain within the Township of Cavan Monaghan, taxes will not increase as a direct result of this proposed annexation. Under the MOU, the City of Peterborough will provide compensation to the Township and the County for lost revenue (over a 25 year time period) due to reduced tax base the annexation represents. Any fluctuations in tax rates will be the result of regular capital and operational planning.

For residents who will be annexed into the City of Peterborough, the city will provide transition capping to mitigate the increase that Township tax-payers may experience as City tax-payers following proposed annexation. For assessed properties the tax increase that may be experienced in the first year of proposed annexation will be capped at 10% and escalate in 10% increments until the full rate is achieved in year 10.

More information on City of Peterborough tax rates is available on the City website at www.peterborough.ca

Why is a change to the City of Peterborough/Township of Cavan Monaghan/County of Peterborough boundary being considered at this time?

Peterborough is one of eight cities located outside of the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) identified under Provincial policy as an Urban Growth Centre, which is where future population growth is projected to occur in the next 25 years. The Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe establishes growth targets for the City of Peterborough. The City is projected to have a population of 115,000 people and 58,000 jobs by 2041. To accommodate this projected growth, especially the employment aspects, the City of Peterborough will require additional lands to provide places for existing

and new residents to work.

Over the past 3 years City of Peterborough and the Township of Cavan Monaghan have engaged in discussions of inter-municipal interest focused on the need and opportunity to secure employment land, capable of being serviced, for the benefit of the region

How much land is being annexed to the City of Peterborough.

The land in question represents 4,140 acres of land involving 336 properties in the North Monaghan Ward. Residents within the area represent 6% of the total homes in Cavan Monaghan Township housing a population of roughly 510 people.

Will the City of Peterborough annex more land from the Township of Cavan Monaghan.

No. As part of the MOU, the City of Peterborough has agreed that the proposed annexation will satisfy the land needed from the Township beyond the planning horizon of 2041. Accordingly, the City has agreed to initiate no further boundary adjustments involving Cavan Monaghan until at least 2041.

How is the Township being compensated for the lost property tax revenue due to the annexation?

Below is a summary of the compensation for this annexation.

Annual Compensation	Township	County
Tax Replacement	\$815,000	\$325,000
Transferred Assets	\$165,000	\$150,000
Employment Land Participation	\$420,000	NA
Annexation Payment	\$300,000	NA
Incentive Payment	\$800,000	NA
Annual Financial Total	\$2,500,000	\$475,000

For a more detailed breakdown of the compensation please visit the Township website at: <http://www.cavanmonaghan.net/en/boundary-adjustment.asp>

How can I find more information on this proposed change to the City/Township boundary?

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