

## **Hotel Development Charge Deferral Program**

Regional Council has approved a time-limited development charge deferral program (the Hotel DC Deferral Program) to support hotel development in Durham Region. Below is an outline of the program and how to apply.

1. Eligible developers can defer payment of commercial DCs for hotel developments from the time of building permit issuance until the earlier of occupancy or occupancy permit issuance, at which time DCs are payable in full.
2. This program applies to hotel developments that contain at least 60 rooms.
3. For the purposes of this program, a “hotel” is a commercial establishment offering lodging to the traveling public and that may provide other services such as restaurants, meeting rooms, conference space, convention centre, and retail stores and services that are available to the general public.
4. Participation is voluntary. Developers may choose to pay DCs at building permit issuance.
5. Developers must enter into a deferral agreement with the Region. A building permit must be issued within 14 months of entering into the agreement to remain eligible. If this milestone is not met, DCs will be payable at building permit issuance.
6. No interest is charged for the first 24 months following building permit issuance. After 24 months, interest is charged at 2.6 per cent until payment or occupancy. Interest also applies on any late payments after occupancy.
7. The program is available to eligible first building permit applications submitted on or after May 27, 2026 and until the program expires on July 1, 2027.
8. Developers can request to participate in the program through the existing Region Development Charge Information Form, submitted prior to building permit issuance.
9. If you have any questions, please contact Paul Gillespie at 905-668-4113 ext. 3443 or [paul.gillespie@durham.ca](mailto:paul.gillespie@durham.ca)