



OTTAWA TAX PAYERS ADVOCACY GROUP

"The Silent Majority is Silent No More"

The Ottawa Taxpayer Advocacy Group Releases Detailed Plan for 2 Year Budget Freeze – No New Money

Drinking Water, Solid & Liquid Waste

Kindly estimate the cost of providing each service based on the groups below?
If there is a 5% cut on this core service, what will be the impact to each cost group?

	Service	operating cost	Total Program
	Drinking Services		
	Water Distribution		
	Fire Hydrants		
	Water Production & Testing		
	Cross Connection Control		
	Water & Sewer Billing		
	Water Usage Measurement		
1	Rural Well Water Testing	51,230	125,833
	Solid Waste		
	Green Bin - transportation		
	Blue Bin- transportation		
	Black Bin- transportation		
	Regular Garbage- transportation		
	Green Bin – other costs		
	Blue Bin – other costs		
	Black Bin – other costs		
	Regular Garbage – other costs		
	Advertising & promotion		
	Garbage Inspection		
	Landfill- Trail Road		
	Landfill- Carp Road		
	Incineration To Energy		
2	Composting	72,734	66,569
	Waste Water Services		
	Sewer System		
	Storm Water System		
	Rural & Agriculture (Storm Water)		
3	Integrated Water	43,991	126,472

City Response

Decisions with respect to the setting of water rates are made on an annual basis by Council based on the financial requirements to operate the system, to address the maintenance and growth of the infrastructure and to meet all provincial legislative requirements. Depending on a number of factors such as the amount of cash or debt used in the financing of capital works or how storm water costs are funded, the water rates will vary between municipalities.