



# COVID-19 Update Growth & Community Development Services

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Growth Committee



# Growth Service Delivery Priorities

1. Essential Services - Effective March 17
  - Emergency related services related to dangerous buildings, inspections and permitting, dangerous conditions, emergency locates and serious dog bite incidents.
2. Critical Services - Effective March 30
  - Virtual One Stop Development Shop: Building, Plumbing, Demolition, Water and Sewer, Street Occupancy, Street Excavation, Development and Heritage Officer permits, Pre-application support.
3. Service Restoration - Under review
  - Planning & Heritage Committee / Council approvals
4. Economic recovery - Under review
5. Other Strategic priorities

# Growth Service Impacts

## Best case – 3 month

Reduced Construction activity

Suspension of non-life safety enforcement

10% Reduction of heritage & beautification grants

Delayed implementation of Neighbourhood Plan

Reduced funding to civic events

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## Worst Case – 9 months (Changes to 3 months)

50% Reduction of heritage & beautification grants

Elimination of civic event funding



# Growth Service Restoration Plans & Activities

- Phased approach
  - Phase 1: Emergency Permitting & Inspection Services
  - Phase 2 : Virtual Permitting
  - Phase 3: Planning & Heritage Committee & Council approvals & others as required
- Development Activity Indicators
  - Lower levels of Permit activity
  - Indications are large projects are moving forward

# Economic Response Overview

- Financial Scenario Planning underway
- Economic Development Agencies engaged
- Minimize impacts to development support programs
- Potential for leveraging Growth reserve to support recovery efforts
- Significant community leadership
- Growth Committee engagement on Economic recovery plans

# Q & A

