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WELLAND LEADING THE WAY

**WELLAND/PELHAM
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
MAYOR'S LUNCH**

May 26, 2011

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Presented By: Mayor Barry Sharpe





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SIX MONTHS LATER



AN **ECCLETTIC** UPDATE FROM THE MAYOR



2011 BUDGET AND TAXES

HISTORY OF PROPERTY TAX LEVY CHANGES FROM PREVIOUS YEAR

Year	Levy % Increase/Decrease	Growth	Net Levy % Increase/Decrease
2007	4.65%	1.37%	3.28%
2008	6.49%	1.12%	5.37%
2009	2.40%	1.00%	1.40%
2010	2.55%	0.56%	1.99%
2011	1.64%	1.64%	0.00%





TOTAL TAX IMPACT ON AN AVERAGE WELLAND HOME

Average Assessment \$171,300

		<u>MUNICIPAL</u>	<u>EDUCATION</u>	<u>REGION</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>
2011 (\$171,300)	\$	1,196.05	395.70	1,206.68	\$	2,798.43
2010 (\$165,350)	\$	1,216.03	398.49	1,233.65	\$	2,848.17
\$ Change	\$	-19.98	-2.79	-26.97	\$	-49.74
% Change		-1.64%	-0.70%	-2.19%		-1.75%



PROJECTED IMPACT OF INDUSTRIAL BET RATE REDUCTION

TABLE A

Impact of immediate Reduction in Industrial BET					
Year	Annual Provincial Ceiling Rate	Annual Region Projected Tax Rates	Tax Savings under current 7-Year Reduction Plan	Savings from immediate Reduction to 1.6%	Addition Savings
2011	2.25%	2.25%	2,044,965	5,995,144	(3,950,179)
2012	2.00%	2.00%	3,564,265	5,995,144	(2,430,879)
2013	1.75%	1.75%	5,083,564	5,995,144	(911,580)
2014	1.60%	1.60%	5,995,144	5,995,144	-
Total					(7,292,638)



NEW AT CITY HALL

1. Successful Negotiations: CAW and CUPE

2. Core Services Review Leading into the 2012 Budget Process

3. Taxpayer Affordability Strategy Based on Region of Niagara Model

- 5 year annual regional tax increase as of 2007 was 6.38% less assessment growth of 1.8% equals net annual increase of 4.5%
- 5 year household income increase: 1.9%
- Affordability Gap – 2.6%

- 2008 – 2011 Effectively no increase in property taxes





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STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE



Vision

The Municipality of Choice

Mission

To plan for and provide a vibrant, safe community which promotes healthy living and supports business growth.

To respond to the diverse needs of our community in a timely, innovative and effective manner, through teamwork and partnerships.

City Manager, Craig Stirtzinger will be inviting community partners to an orientation of the Corporation's Strategic Plan to create opportunities to penetrate the Strategic Plan, action plans and success measurements to the mandates of the community partners and to create a reporting mechanism to Council of the community partners' accomplishments in attaining their goals and furthering the direction of the Corporation's Strategic Plan.



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JOBS

Welland Development Commission

Roy Timms - Timbro Design Build Contractor Ben Cecil - Niagara College Aggie Giovannini - Northtown Medical Associates

Mike Melinyshyn - Lift Line Machinery Ltd. Sandor Szabo - CRS Electronics Ross Peever - Welland Hydro-Electric Holding Corp.

Mark Carl – Councillor

Jim Larouche – Councillor

David McLeod - Councillor

Barry Sharpe - Mayor

Craig Stirtzinger – City Manager

OSM Solar, Universal Resource Recovery, Welded Tube, Lakeside Steel,



Welland Toyota, Great Lakes Bioversel



FritoLay, John Deere, Family Health Team,

ASW, Genesis Solar



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COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS



Welland Arena Renovation



Welland Community Wellness Complex



Niagara College, Welland Campus

Job Gym





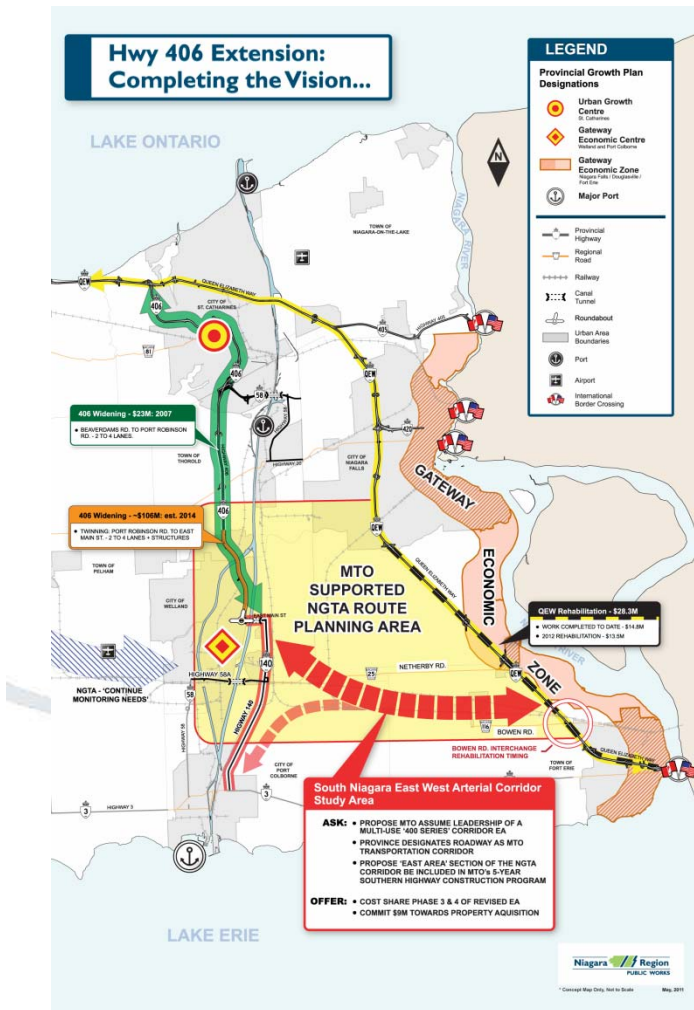
2011 NIAGARA WEEK THEMES

GATEWAY ECONOMIC ZONE AND CENTRE

TRANSPORTATION

ENVIRONMENT/NATURAL RESOURCES

HEALTH CARE





Thank You

