

# Delivering the 2016 Assessment Update

Town of Newmarket

Committee of the Whole

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## PROPERTY ASSESSMENT & PROPERTY TAXES

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## ONTARIO'S ASSESSMENT CYCLE

2008

2009-2012 Tax Years January 1, 2008 (valuation date) 2012

Tax Years
January 1, 2012
(valuation date)

2013-2016

2016

2017-2020 Tax Years January 1, 2016 (valuation date)

## **2016 ASSESSMENT UPDATE**

#### **2012 ASSESSMENT UPDATE**



#### 2016 ASSESSMENT UPDATE



## **ZONE 3: DATA COLLECTION & PREPARATION**

**Building permits** 

Sales reviews

Site variable update project

Farm forestry exemptions reviews

Requests for Reconsideration

**Severances and Consolidations** 

Data integrity checks

MPAC initiated reviews

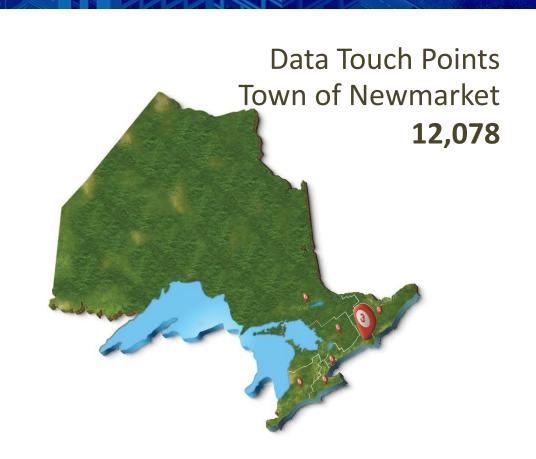
**Process controls** 

Tax and Vacancy Applications

**Municipal Requests** 

Appeals

**Property Owner Enquiries** 



## TRANSPARENCY AND SHARED UNDERSTANDING

## **Level 1 - Methodology Guides**

Comprehensive guides that explain assessment methodology.

### **Level 2 – Market Valuation Reports**

Comprehensive reports that explain how assessment methodology was applied at the sector level to value properties for the 2016 Assessment Update

# Level 3 – Property Specific Valuation Information

Detailed information that is available through secure-access only

## BENEFITS OF ADVANCED DISCLOSURE

## **Benefits for municipalities:**

✓ Improved roll predictability and stability

✓ Improved risk analysis

- ✓ No surprises
- ✓ Opportunity to provide feedback

## **Benefits for property taxpayers:**

✓ Increased satisfaction and confidence

√ Easy access to property information

- ✓ No surprises
- ✓ Opportunity to provide feedback



Residential property owners will receive their Property Assessment Notices starting **June 13**<sup>th</sup>



Farm Property Assessment Notices will be mailed October 11th



Multi-Residential and Business Notices will be mailed October 18th

THE NEW ASSESSMENTS WILL SERVE AS THE BASIS FOR CALCULATING PROPERTY TAXES FOR 2017 – 2020







Issue Date: April 4, 2016

200 MAIN STREET 11 FLOOR ANYWHERE ON M4K 183

#### THIS IS NOT A TAX BILL.

The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) is responsible for assessing more than five million properties in Ontario in compliance with the Assessment Act and regulations set by the Government of Ontario.

#### MPAC's updated value of your property is \$228,000

#### Account Information:

Roll Number 12 34 567 899 12345 1234 AboutMyProperty™ Access Key ABCD EFG1 HJK2 Your property's location and description 900 Dynes Rd. PLAN169 BLK 1 PT LOT4 Ottawa City Municipality School support English-Public

#### Assessment overview:

MPAC's assessed value of your property as of January 1, 2016 \$228,000 MPAC's assessed value of your property as of January 1, 2012 \$162,000 Between 2012 and 2016, your property's assessed value changed by \$66,000

If you disagree with MPAC's assessment or classification, you can file a Request for Reconsideration and MPAC will review your assessment.

#### How will my municipality use MPAC's property assessment?

Under the phase-in provision in the Assessment Act, an increase in assessed value is introduced gradually. A decrease in assessed value will be introduced immediately. The January 1, 2016 assessed value and classification of your property will be used as the basis for calculating your 2017 to 2020 property taxes as illustrated below.

#### Property

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#### Property Assessment Notice

For the 2017 to 2020 property taxation years

This Property Assessment Notice has important information for you as a property owner.

Please review it and file it away for your records.

No action is required unless you disagree with your assessment.

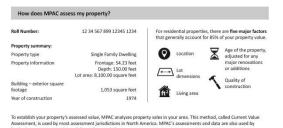
#### **CONTACT US**

1 866 296-MPAC (6722) TTY 1 877 889-MPAC (6722) Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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#### www.aboutmyproperty.ca





banks, insurance companies and the real estate industry.

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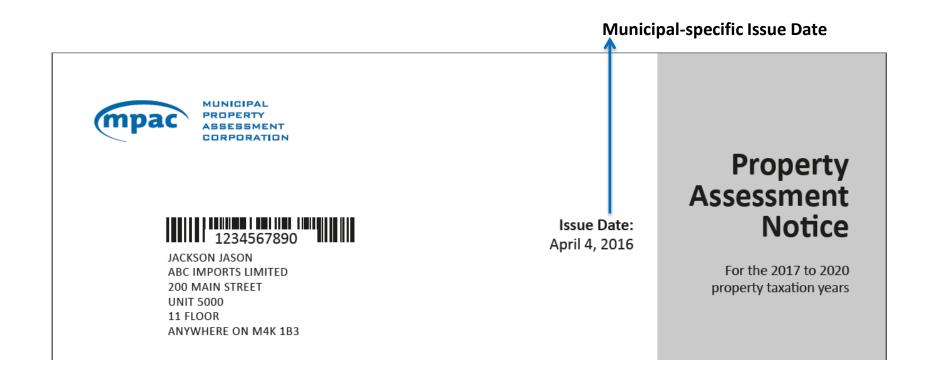
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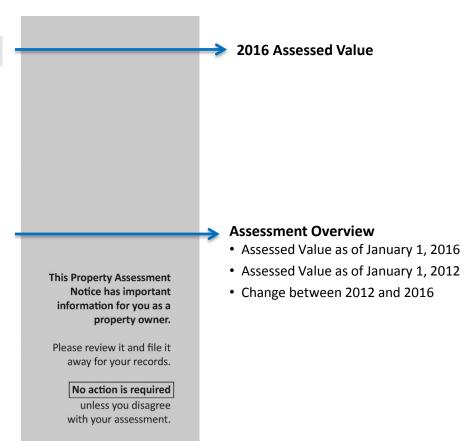
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Property summary:

Property information

Single Family Dwelling Property type

> Frontage: 54.23 feet Depth: 150.00 feet

Lot area: 8,100.00 square feet

Building - exterior square

1,053 square feet footage

Year of construction 1974 For residential properties, there are five major factors that generally account for 85% of your property value.



Location



Age of the property, adjusted for any major renovations or additions



Quality of construction

To establish your property's assessed value, MPAC analyzes property sales in your area. This method, called Current Value Assessment, is used by most assessment jurisdictions in North America. MPAC's assessments and data are also used by banks, insurance companies and the real estate industry.

Living area

#### **Property Details**

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✓ Five major factors affecting residential values

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Description of Ontario's property assessment system

## **CHANGES TO FILING A REVIEW (BILL 144)**



- Residential property owners have 120 days from the Issue Date of their Property Assessment Notice to file a Request for Reconsideration (RfR)
- The RfR deadline for the Town of Newmarket is October 11th, 2016
- The Issue Date and RfR deadline are included on the Notice
- The early delivery of Assessment Notices and a 120-day RfR deadline will allow RfRs to be processed before Assessment Rolls are sent to municipalities – greater stability and accuracy



## ABOUTMYPROPERTY.CA

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READ MORE



Through **AboutMyProperty**™ property owners can:

- ✓ Access information on how their property was assessed
- ✓ Compare their assessment to others in their community
- ✓ Learn more about property values through Market Trends (available before login)

Login information is included on every Notice mailed.

## RESOLVING ASSESSMENT CONCERNS

STEP 1: Ask yourself: "could I have sold my property for the assessed value on January 1, 2016?"



STEP 2: Visit aboutmyproperty.ca to review the information MPAC has on file for your property.

STEP 3: Contact MPAC

STEP 4: File a Request for Reconsideration

STEP 5: File an appeal with the Assessment Review Board



Online: aboutmyproperty.ca

OR



mpac.ca/ContactUs



Fax: 1-866-297-6703



Mail: MPAC, PO Box 9808 Toronto ON M1S 5T9

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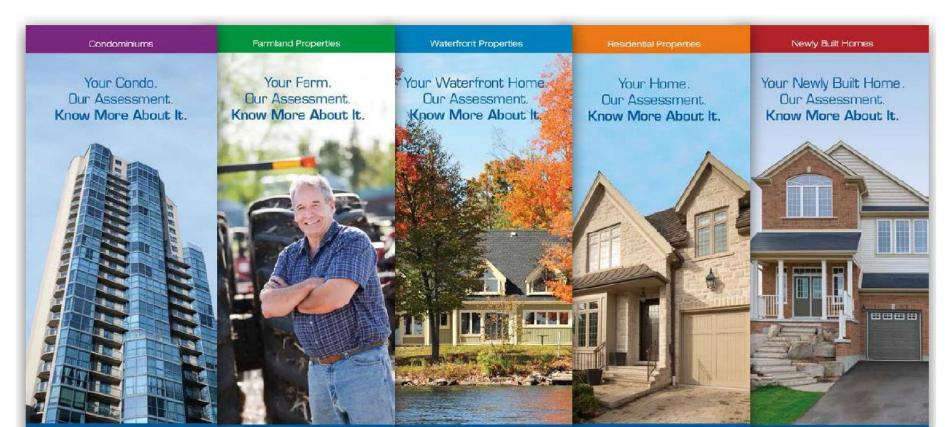
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## MUNICIPAL CONNECT™

- Redesigned Municipal Connect<sup>™</sup> launching April 4
  - Increased transparency
  - Improved stability and predictability in the municipal tax base
  - Modern and flexible way to access assessment information
- Access to 2016 base year values (2017-2020 tax years)
  - Support municipal understanding of assessed values
  - Early consultation/discussion for greater roll stability
  - Insight into assessment at risk







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## **MUNICIPAL TOOLKIT**

To support municipalities in their communication efforts regarding the 2016 province-wide Assessment Update, MPAC has prepared a fully customizable toolkit that includes:

- Contact information for Municipal and Stakeholder Relations representatives
- Key Messages and Frequently Asked Questions
- Information regarding changes to Property Assessment Notices and Notice Mailing Dates
- Changes regarding Requests for Reconsideration
- Written Material for Print or Web
- Social Media Materials
- Highlights on AboutMyProperty and Municipal Connect
- Links/references to other resources including:
  - MPAC's full suite of brochures (links to mpac.ca)
  - Videos (will be housed on MPAC's YouTube Channel)
  - Buckslip for insertion in municipal tax bills (editable)

# SAMPLE OUTREACH OVERVIEW

Zone 3 Outreach Plan	Zone Director: Carmelo Lipsi	Regional Manager: Heather Colquhoun
Municipality	Town of Newmarket	
Residential Property Notice Mail Date	June 13, 2016	RfR Deadline — October 11, 2016
Business Property Notice Mail Date	October 18, 2016	RfR Deadline – February 15, 2017
Municipal Influencers	Mayor Tony Van Bynen, MPP Chris Ballard	Media Outlets – Newmarket Era, Era-Banner, snapd Newmarket, etc.

Type of Outreach	Stakeholders	Timing
Pre-Notice Mailing Municipal Outreach Socialize changes for 2016 including new PAN, Connect, Outreach, etc.	Municipal Administrators	May – June
Municipal Connect Training Introduction of new tool and early access to MCP information	Municipal Administrators	April – June
Public Information Meetings Property assessment and taxation, residential values, enhancing engagement, assessment changes	Elected Officials Property Owners MPPs	May 25th (ongoing)
AboutMyProperty Events Pop up events to support education	Property Owners	May 25 <sup>th</sup> (ongoing)



## **NEW FOR 2016 – MARKET TRENDS**

- Maps showing residential assessment change and typical residential values across Ontario municipalities
- Located in the Market Trends area on aboutmyproperty.ca
- Finalizing the maps for the first few extracts now and plan to roll them out over the next few weeks
- Through aboutmyproperty.ca and proactive media relations

