

IMPORTANT NOTICE to ACMO Members

Re: Toronto Waste Reduction Levy Fee

April 1, 2005

Dear ACMO Members,

At the end of February 2005, Toronto City Council adopted the recommendation of the City of Toronto Works Committee to endorse a Waste Reduction Levy for multi family residential buildings.

Effective September 16, 2005, all condominium and apartment highrise buildings will be levied per garbage pick up based upon \$30 per tonne.

ACMO is seriously concerned about this new initiative for a number of reasons, including the following:

- Depending on the tonnage, this will result in literally thousands of dollars in fees.
- Recycling systems available to highrises are still at a developmental stage.
- It is evident that this recommendation received Council approval prior to the development of administrative and logistical processes.
- This is cost will have a significant impact on condominium fees, and will - to a large extent - be beyond our control as responsible condominium managers.

ACMO feels it is incumbent on Managers to bring this initiative to the attention of directors and homeowners.

The vote in Council was very close, and you should feel free to encourage homeowners to raise this matter with their local councillors (visit www.toronto.ca/wards for a list of councillors).