### Municipality of Tweed Community Improvement Plan: Brownfield Property Tax Assistance & Remediation Program



The Brownfield Property Tax Assistance & Remediation Program encourages the remediation & rehabilitation of brownfield sites by providing a cancellation of part or all of the property tax increase for that property in addition to allocating funds to assist with environmental remediation.

#### **Eligible Costs**

- 1. Environmental remediation costs, including any action taken to reduce the concentration of contaminants on or underground the exterior of property to permit a Record of Site Condition to be filed in the Environmental Site Registry under sect. 168.4 of the Environmental Protection Act
- 2. Placing clean fill & related grading
- 3. Environmental insurance premiums

Interior brownfields are not eligible for this program.

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

- Must adhere to general program requirements outlined in Section 5.1 & general application requirements outlined in Section 5.7
- 2. Preparation of a business plan or feasibility study may be required
- Application of Provincial tax assistance shall be at the discretion of the Municipality
- 4. Applicant must demonstrate that the subject area is a brownfield site

**Financial Details:** The Municipality may pass bylaws to provide a deferral or cancellation of all or part of the municipal taxes on a brownfield site during the rehabilitation and development period. The Municipality may also apply for the provincial brownfield financial tax incentive program on behalf of the owner to cancel or freeze all or a portion of the education component of property taxes. The Municipality may cover 50% of construction costs to a maximum of \$2500 grant and/or \$2500 loan. All loans issued at 0% interest and payable over three years (36months) unless noted otherwise. The grant will be awarded upon completion of the work. The loan will be awarded once application approved.



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# Municipality of Tweed Community Improvement Plan: Accessibility Grant/Loan



The **Accessibility Grant and/or Loan** is designed to assist businesses in improving the accessibility of their building in accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act 2005.

#### **Eligible Costs**

- 1. Installation of automatic doors
- 2. Installation of wheelchair accessible ramps
- 3. Widening of public entrance ways
- 4. Leveling or repair to pathways/accesses and stairs
- 5. Any combination of the above
- 6. Other pre-approved accessibility improvements

## **Eligibility Criteria**

- All general program
   requirements outlined in
   Section 5.1 and application
   requirements outlined in
   Section 5.7
- 2. Only the commercial area of the property
- 3. Improvements shall comply with the *Accessibility of Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*

**Financial Details:** The Municipality may cover 50% of construction costs to a maximum of \$2500 grant and/or \$2500 loan. All loans issued at 0% interest and payable over three years (36months) unless noted otherwise. The grant will be awarded upon completion of the work. The loan will be awarded once application approved.



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# Municipality of Tweed Community Improvement Plan: Façade Improvement Grant/Loan



The Façade Improvement Grant/Loan is designed to encourage aesthetic improvements to commercial building exteriors.

## **Eligible Costs**

# Restoration, repair or replacement of:

- brickwork, wood, masonry and metal cladding
- 2. windows & doors
- 3. signage
- 4. exterior lighting
- awnings, marquees and canopies
- 6. redesigned shop fronts
- 7. eaves, parapets & other architectural details
- 8. professional fees

## **Eligibility Criteria**

- 1. Must adhere to general program requirements outlined in Section 5.1 & general application requirements outlined in Section 5.7
- 2. Improvements shall generally comply with the design guidelines in Section 6

**Financial Details:** The Municipality may cover 50% of construction costs to a maximum of \$5000 grant and/or \$5000 loan. All loans issued at 0% interest and payable over three years (36months) unless noted otherwise. The grant will be awarded upon completion of the work. The loan will be awarded once application approved.



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# Municipality of Tweed Community Improvement Plan: Planning & Building Permit Fee Grant



Application and permit fees imposed by the Municipality may present barriers to investment and redevelopment in the CIP Districts. This program is intended to encourage sensitive, attractive and desirable infill development and redevelopment by reducing the costs involved with making improvements to property. This Grant is not intended for greenfield development or development through Consent to Sever applications.

#### **Eligible Costs**

- 1. Minor variance application fees
- 2. Zoning by-law amendment fees
- 3. Site plan applications
- 4. Building permit fees

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

- 1. Must adhere to general program requirements outlined in Section 5.1 & general application requirements outlined in Section 5.
- Preparation or a business plan or feasibility study may be required

**Financial Details:** A grant to a maximum of \$2500 to cover the cost of minor variance applications, zoning by-law amendments, site plan applications or building permit fees.



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