

# **2012 Outlook and Long Term Financial Plan Update**

**Budget Committee**

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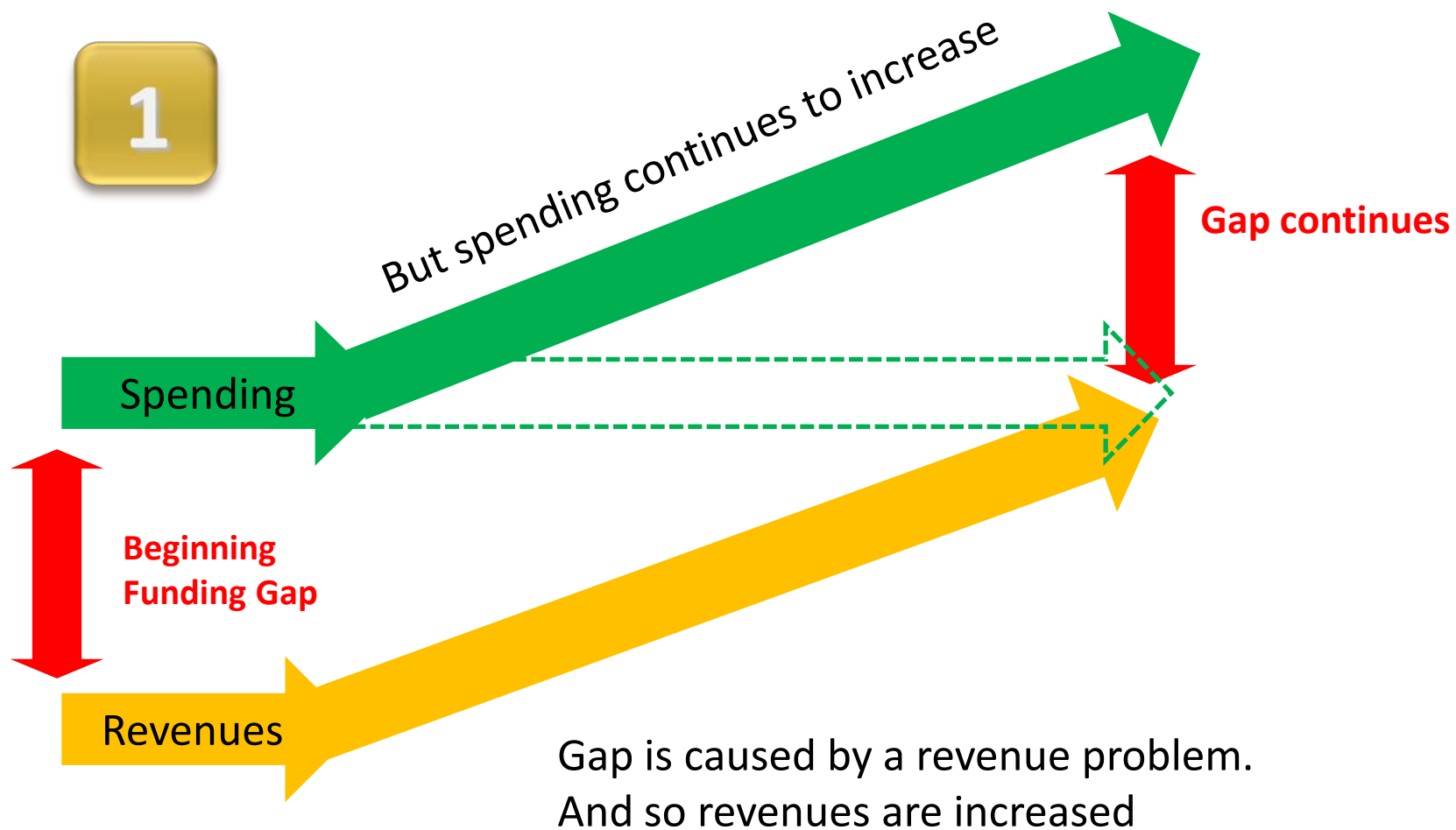
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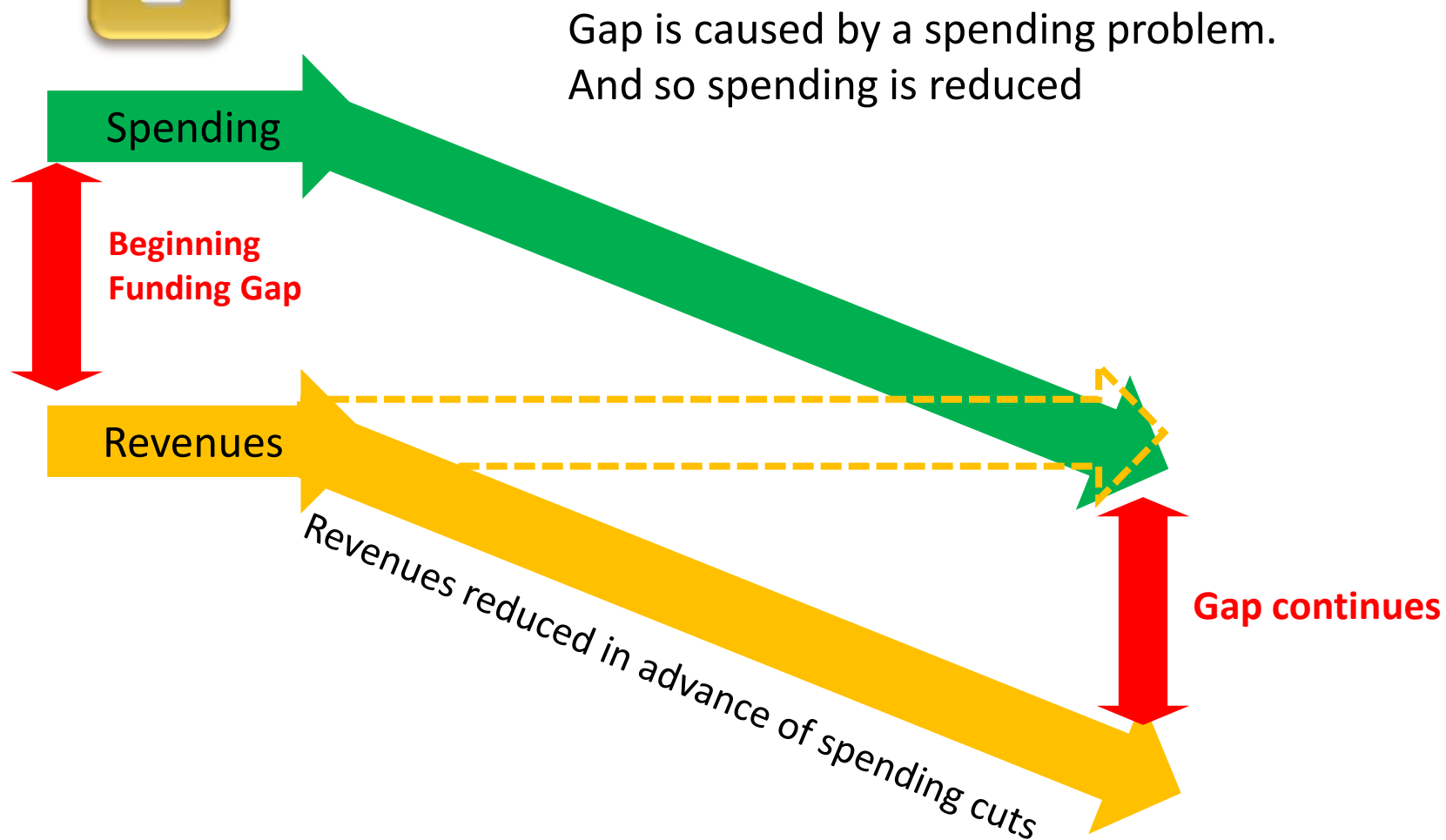
# 1. Perspective on the Long Term Funding Gap

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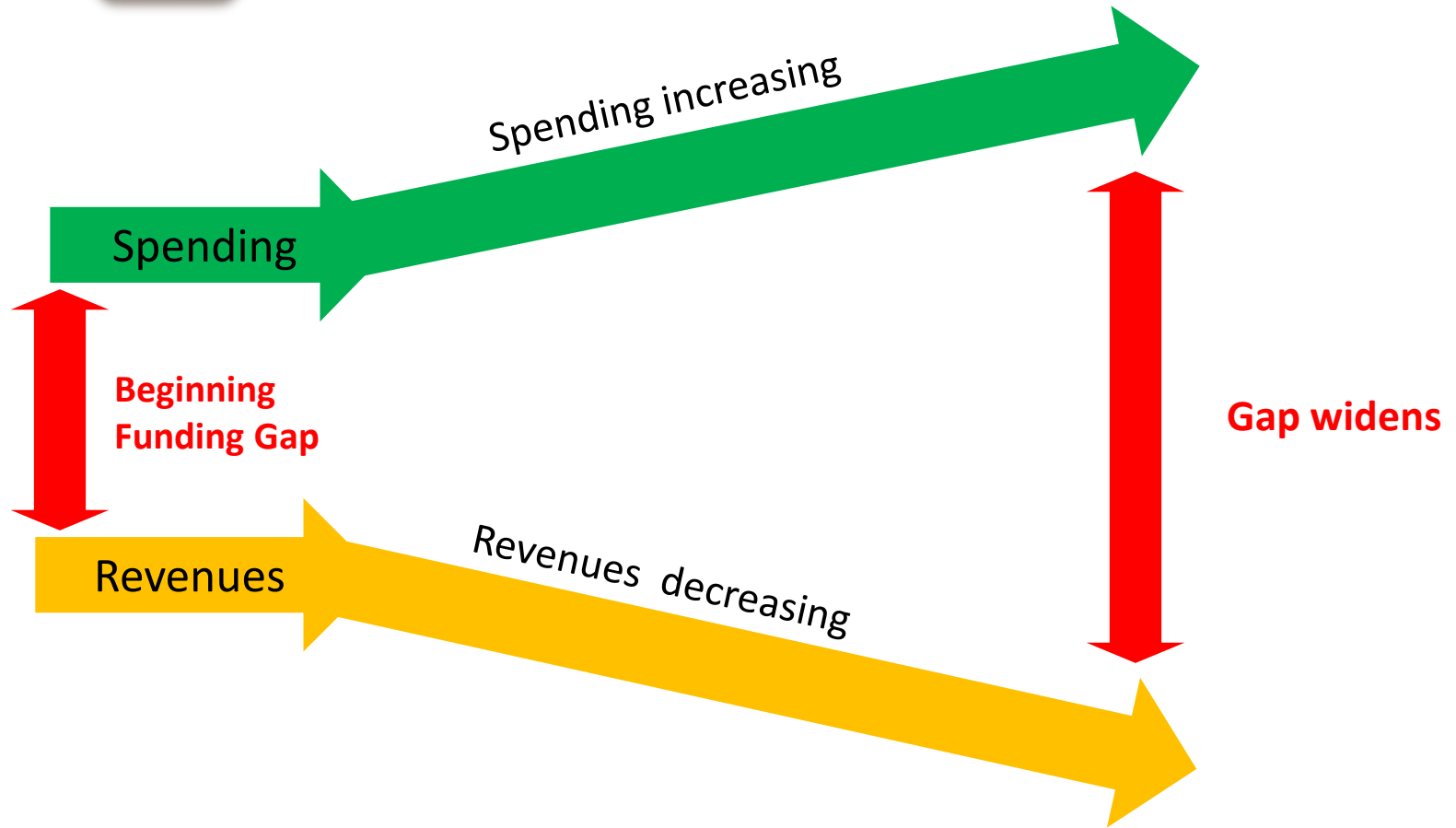
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# Toronto's Operating Funding Shortfall

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Worst Case Scenario



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The City has both spending and revenue problems.



This was the recommended strategy in the previous Long-Term Fiscal Plan

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## 2. 2012 Operating Outlook



# Toronto 2011 Economic Outlook

- Recovery from the 2009 recession is well underway:
  - The Infrastructure Stimulus spending benefited the construction sector, improved consumer spending and strengthened the job market
- 2011 economic forecasts for the Toronto region indicate:
  - GDP growth: 3.0% (3.5% in 2012)
  - Unemployment rate: 8.1% (7.1% in 2012)
  - Housing starts: 29,200 units (34,900 in 2012)
  - CPI: 2.3% (2.1% in 2012)
  - Interest rate: 10 year bonds 4.5% (5.0% 2012); 30 year 5% (5.5% 2012)
- TTC 2011 forecast ridership increase - 25 million riders
- Ontario Works 2011 average monthly caseload to decrease by 4,000 cases

# 2012 Operating Outlook

- The Operating Outlook Pressure is the incremental cost of providing 2011 services and service levels in the subsequent year
- Drivers of the outlook pressure include:
  - Cost of living adjustments
  - Inflationary impact on expenditures and user fees
  - Annualized costs, savings and revenues of prior year initiatives implemented part-year
  - Termination of non recurring or one time revenues and/or expenditures

# 2012 Operating Outlook Assumptions

- Same level of service as in 2011
- 2.1% general inflation
- COLA based on same assumptions as in 2011
- No change in OW caseload
- TTC Ridership increase from 487 million to 502 million
- TTC fare increase - 10 cents
- Moderate change in assessment growth
- Projected bank rate increase in last quarter of 2011
- MLTT volume and price increase

# 2011 & 2012 Outlook Pressures

	<b>\$ Million</b>	
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>
	<b>Adjusted to Actual</b>	<b>Feb.</b>
<b>City One-Time Funding</b>		
Prior Year Surplus	277	346
Reserve Draws	66	14
<b>Total Unsustainable Balancing Strategies</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>360</b>
<b>Expenditure Increases</b>		
Cost of Living and Progression Pay	124	138
Fringe Benefit Liabilities - Contribution Requirements	-	78
Inflation - Material Supplies and Services	58	50
Capital Financing	23	55
Contribution to Reserves - Liabilities	-	10
Hydro Note - Interest Change	22	-
Operating Impact of Capital	11	16
PVT Elimination	50	-
Other Base Change	75	67
<b>Total Expenditure Increases</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>414</b>
<b>Outlook Pressure Before Revenue Increases</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>774</b>

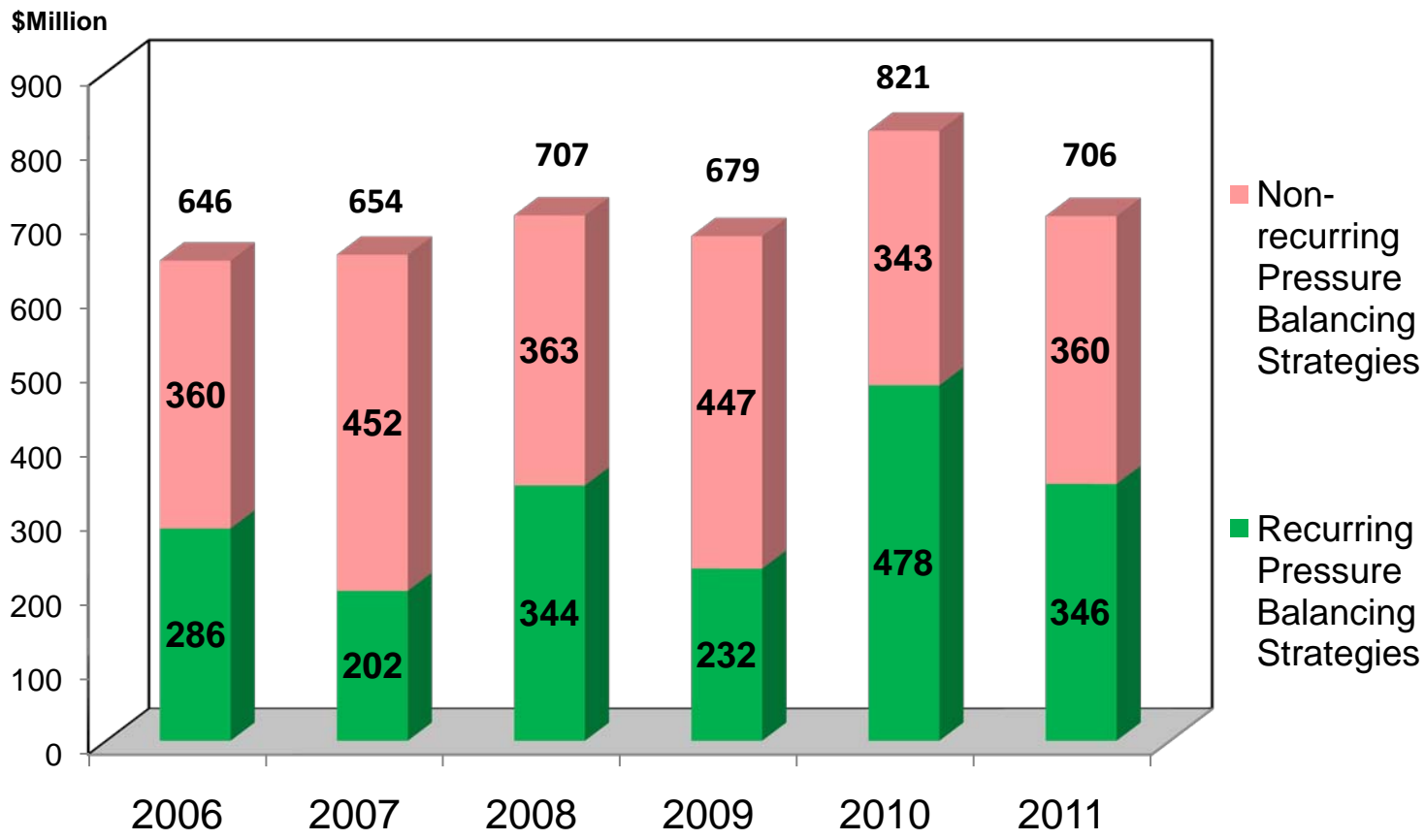
# 2011 and 2012 Outlook Pressures

	\$ Million	
	2011	2012
	Adjusted to	Feb.
	Actuals	Actuals
<b>Opening Pressure</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>774</b>
Surplus	(346)	
Provincial Upload - ODSP/OW	(63)	-
MLTT	(50)	(25)
TTC fare increase	-	(30)
Other Revenue	(145)	(46)
Total Revenue	(258)	(101)
Cost Reduction	(57)	?
Assessment Growth	(45)	(30)
	(102)	(30)
Total Balancing Strategy	(706)	(131)
<b>Remaining Pressure</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>643</b>

# 2012 Outlook Pressure

	<u>\$Millions</u>	
2012 Outlook Remaining Pressure per above		643
Additional potential offsets:		
Prior year surplus (based on average)	(50)	
Hydro & Enwave dividends & Other	(15)	
Property tax increase at inflation	(47)	(113)
		<u>530</u>
Remaining Pressure		<u>530</u>
Cost reduction		?
Excess surplus		?
Provincial Assistance for TTC Operating		?

# 2006 - 2011 Operating Budget Mitigating Strategies



# Conclusion

- 2012 Outlook Pressure is attributed to the following:
  - Non-recurring balancing strategies
  - Inflationary adjustments and other direct payroll cost
  - Impact of capital
- Strategies to balance the 2012 Budget:
  - Major cost reduction
  - Increase predictable, sustainable revenue sources
  - Provincial assistance for TTC Operating





# 3. Long Term Financial Plan Update

# City's Long Term Financial Plan Vision



# What We Mean by Sustainable

- Assets should be maintained in a state of good repair
- Assets no longer used should be sold, and proceeds used for re-investment or debt reduction
- New assets should be acquired only when necessary and affordable
- Debt should be held to a manageable level, used only for long-lasting assets
- Appropriate funds should be set aside for future obligations
- Future trends should be planned for

# What We Mean by Affordable

- Property taxes should be predictable, affordable and competitive with 905 -- continue re-balancing of non-residential and residential taxes
- User fees should be competitive with 905
- Subsidies to residents and businesses should be transparent
- Necessary increases in taxes and fees should be in line with inflation and appropriate cost recovery
- Income support programs should be funded through income or consumption based revenues, not property taxes
- Provincial cost sharing should recognize the benefit that some City services accrue beyond the City's borders

# What We Mean by Well Managed

- The City should be operating efficiently and can demonstrate that it is
- Programs should be continually reviewed to ensure they are effective and relevant, and changed when they are not

# Financial Progress – 2005 Plan

## Major Financial Issues

Identified in the Long Term Fiscal Plan 2005	Current Status (2011)	Score	Last Year
<b>Well-managed (Expenditures):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>City has a higher cost structure for some services than other municipalities in GTA</li> <li>Demands for growth not adequately funded</li> <li>Variability in certain program expenditures from year to year, e.g. economic downturns</li> </ul>	Costs “restrained”		
	Growths in expenditure and revenue being balanced		
	Social Services & Court Security upload. Restoration of full 50% funding on Ontario Works administration costs		
<b>Affordable (Revenues):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business taxes not competitive</li> <li>Inadequate revenue sources to fund responsibilities</li> <li>Improper funding of Provincial cost-shared programs</li> </ul>	Improving business competitiveness		
	Revenues diversified		
	User Fees enhanced		
	Provincial 50% TTC Operating Funding		
	Share of HST		
<b>Sustainable (Assets &amp; Liabilities):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Investment in ageing infrastructure lagging</li> <li>Employee benefits and other liabilities not adequately funded</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 year capital plan</li> <li>More than 60% to be spent on State of Good Repair</li> </ul>		
	Debt increase mitigated		
	Sick Pay liability partially capped, but some liabilities still growing		

### Legend:

	Improving or compares favourably		No progress
	Stabilizing or work in progress		

# Current Financial Position

Strengths	Areas of Concern
1. City has very high credit rating (AA+, one level below maximum AAA)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Modest level of debt</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current level of debt insufficient to fund TTC growing capital program</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High reserve levels for capital</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No/low reserves for financial resilience, e.g. stabilization reserves</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strong and balanced economy               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Financial services</li> <li>◦ Knowledge industries, e.g. I&amp;T</li> <li>◦ Culture</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unemployment rate has not returned to pre-recessionary level</li> <li>• Industrial assessment and jobs declining</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stable political environment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Imminent Provincial and Federal elections</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Well established financial planning/management</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Future enhancements being implemented</li> </ul>
2. Residential property tax rates among lowest in Province	Business property tax rates higher than 905 and most other large North American cities
3. Revenue base more diversified than average	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recent loss of Personal Vehicle Tax</li> <li>• User fee cost recovery levels need review</li> </ul>

# Balance between Expenditure and Revenue Growth

## Average Annual Operating Pressures (\$M)

	Steady State *	Impact Above & Beyond	Projected
<b>Operating Pressures:</b>			
Salaries and Benefits	101	39	140
Non Salary Costs	64	0	64
Capital Financing, Asset & Liability Funding	8	51	59
Annualization & Other Base Changes	-	29	29
Phase-out of One-time Revenue Offsets	-	92	92
<b>Total pressures</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>384</b>
<b>Offsets:</b>			
Property Tax Increase	(71)		(71)
Cost of Business Tax Relief	-	26	26
Net Property Tax Increase	(71)	26	(45)
Assessment Growth	(32)		(32)
User Fee Increase	(38)		(38)
Municipal Land Transfer Tax & Sign Tax	(17)	(7)	(24)
Investment & Dividend Income & Other	(15)	(7)	(22)
Provincial Upload	-	(21)	(21)
One-time Revenue Offsets	-	(57)	(57)
<b>Total Offsets</b>	<b>(173)</b>	<b>(66)</b>	<b>(239)</b>
<b>Net Annual Average Operating Pressures</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>145</b>



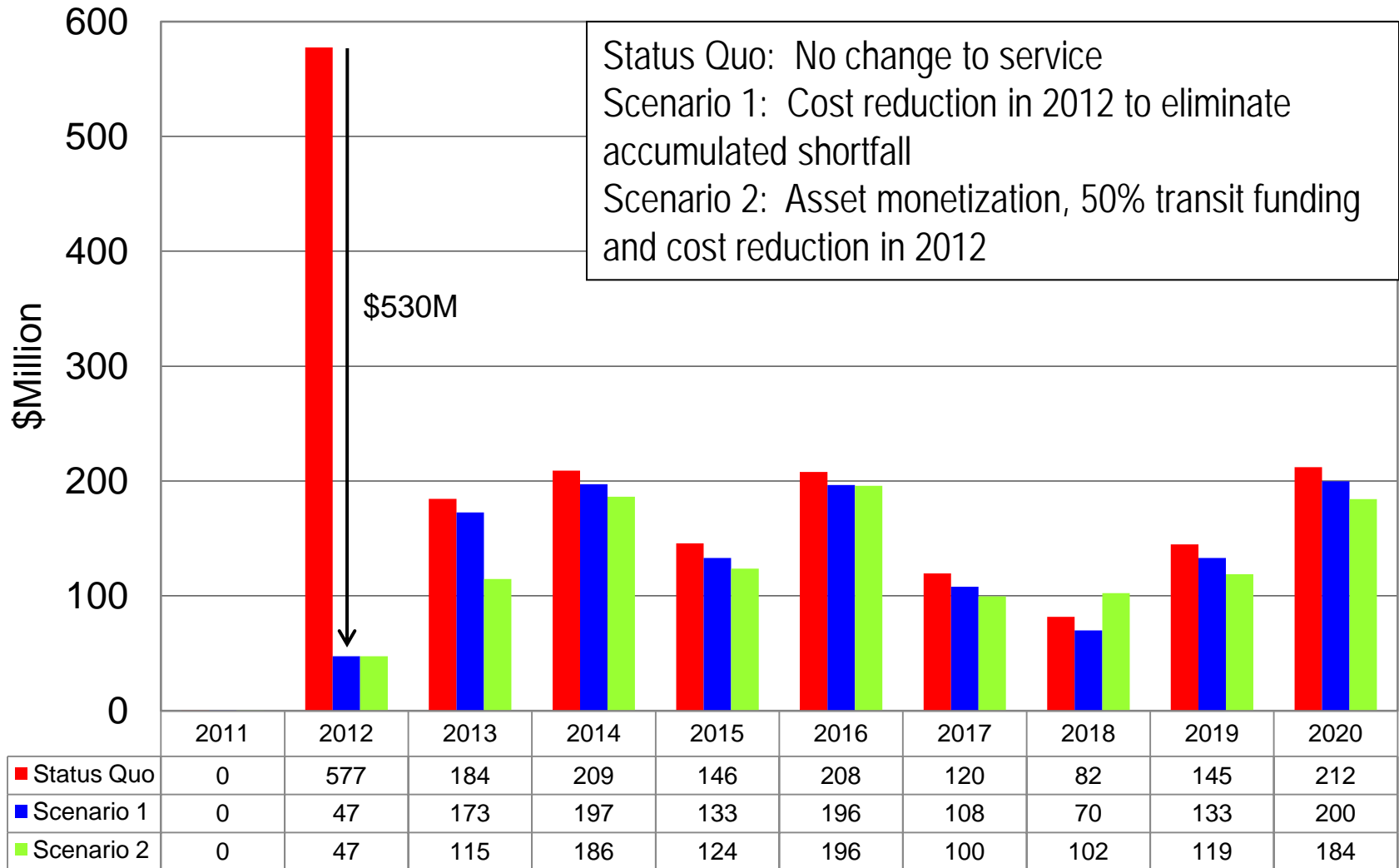
# Result of Annual Shortfall

- Inability to permanently address shortfall has led to increasing use of one-time revenues to balance the operating budget = accumulated shortfall
- This becomes a funding pressure in next year

# Financial Forecasts

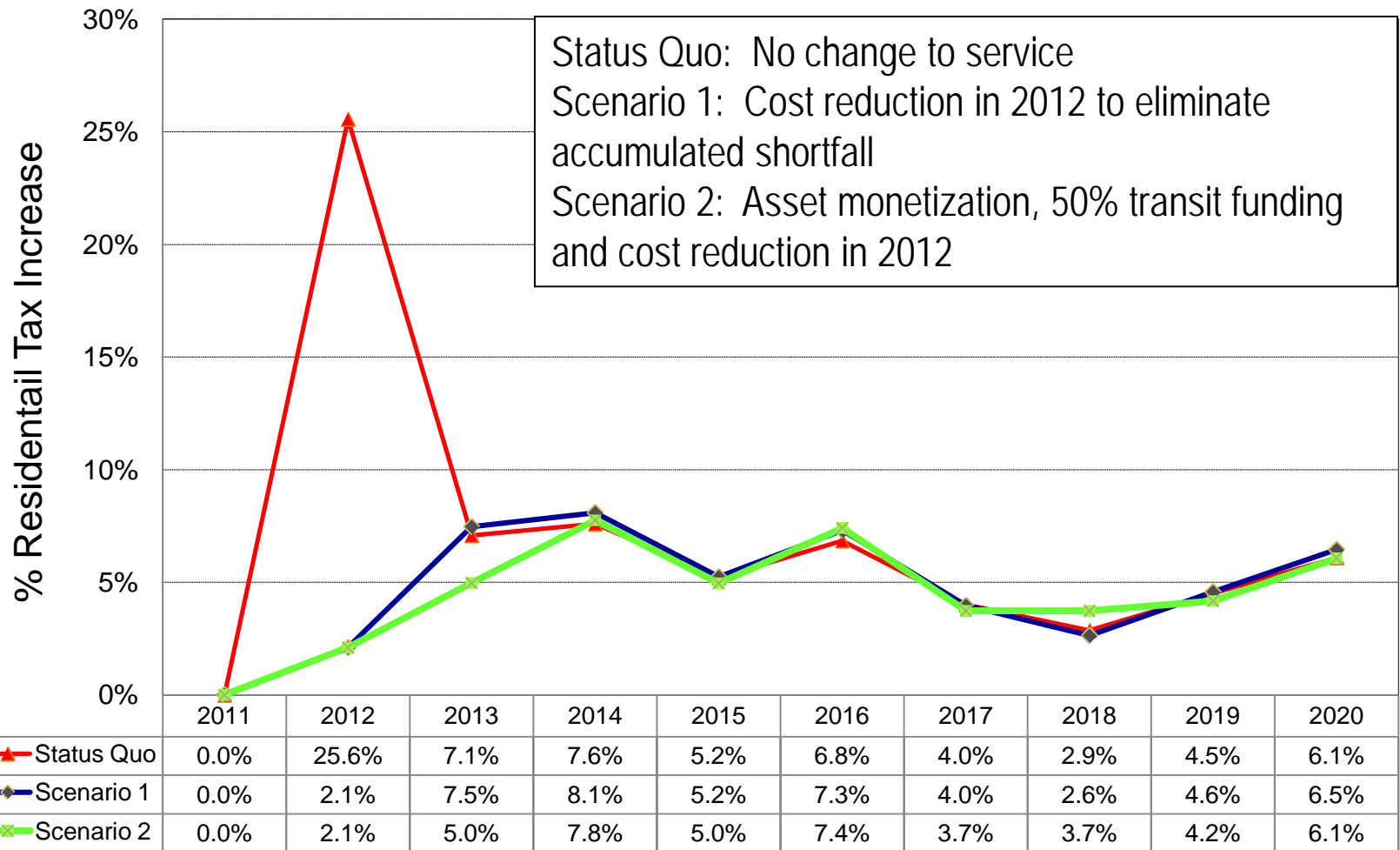
- 10 year forecasts prepared to show impacts on property tax from possible cost increases, impacts of capital and revenues
- 3 scenarios:
  - Status quo – no service expansions or reductions
  - Scenario 1 – \$530m Cost Reduction in 2012 required to keep tax increase at inflation
  - Scenario 2:
    - Asset Monetization over 2 years applied to debt reduction
    - Sustainable provincial funding (50% transit operating funding & maintaining the Federal subsidy for social housing)
    - Cost reduction in 2012 to keep tax increase at inflation

# Remaining Annual Operating Pressures



# Property Tax Scenarios

if all remaining pressures funded by property taxes



# Constraints

- Limits to service efficiencies
- Limits to assets that can be sold for debt reduction
- Service reductions impacts
- Constraints on provincial, federal governments to provide their share of the solutions
- The need to take a long term view, e.g. avoid deferring maintenance, funding liabilities

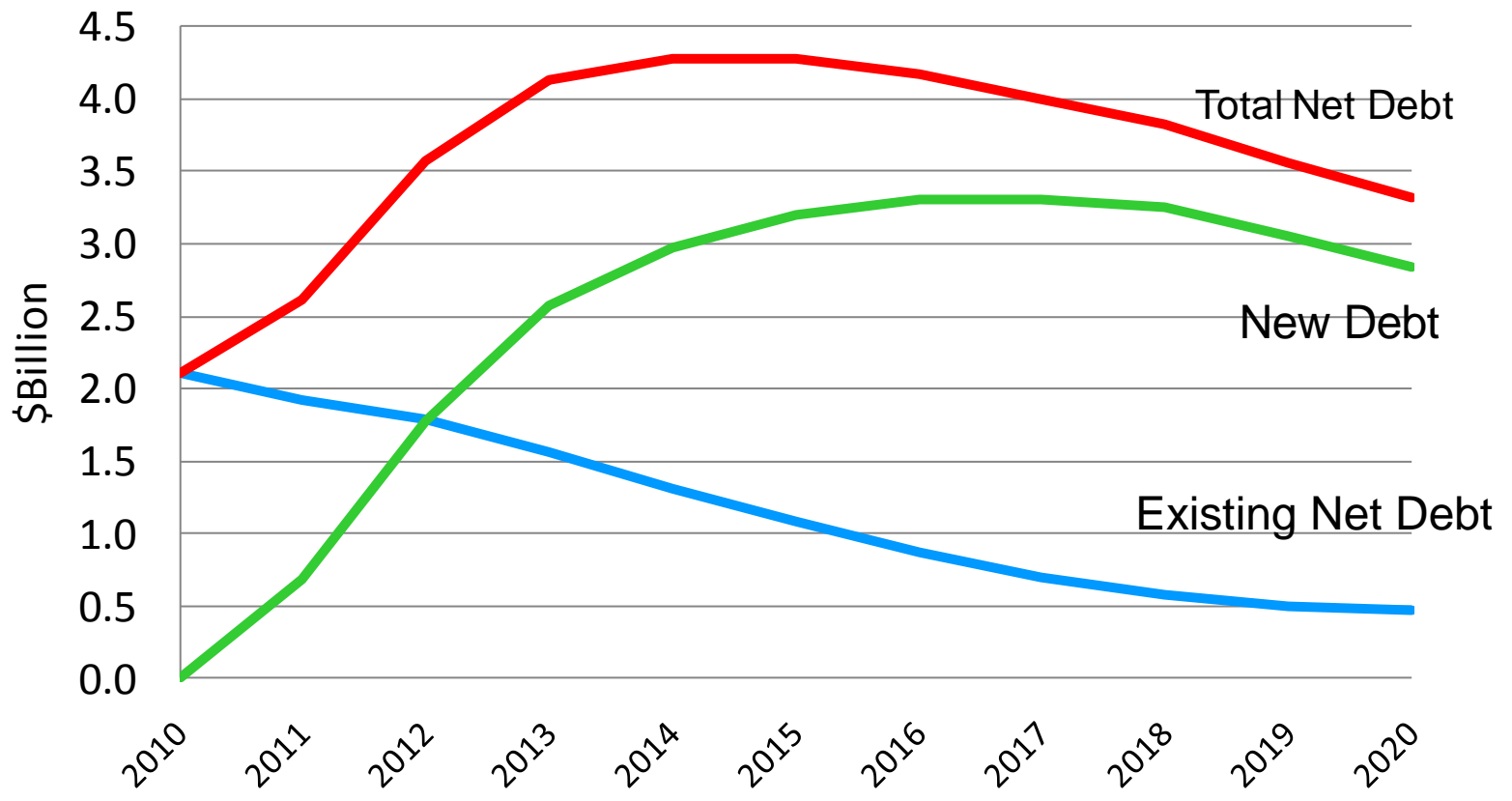
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# 4. Debt Management

# Debt Background

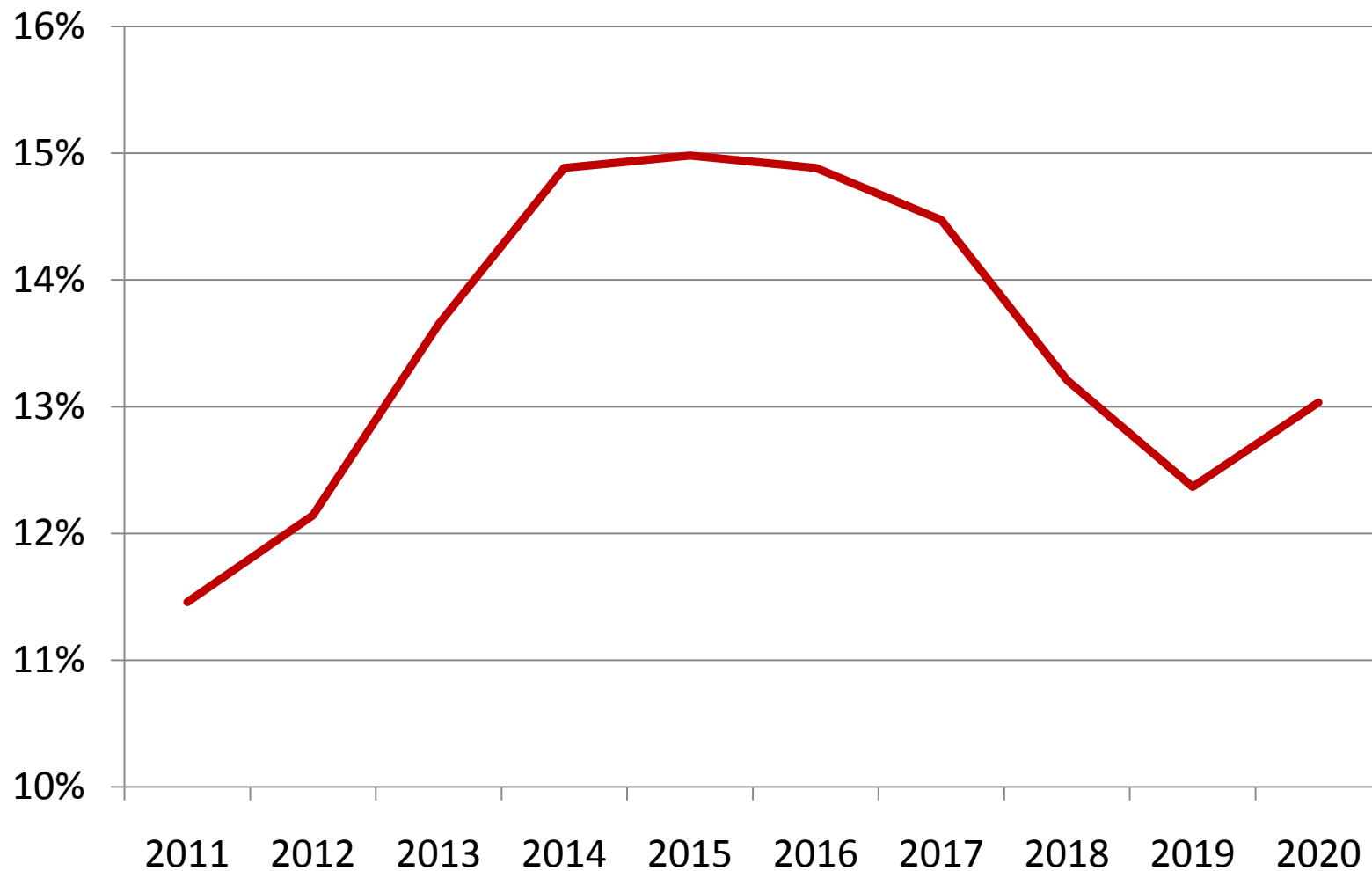
- Debt can only be issued for capital
- Debt service payments are part of operating budget: include both interest and principal
- Two kinds of debt
  - Sinking fund: principal is paid into City's funds
  - Serial/amortizing: principal payments to debtholders
- Interest rates are fixed for term of debt
- Debt is not callable, i.e. must hold to end of term
- Terms range from 1 – 30 years with most as 10 year: term cannot exceed life of asset being funded

# Comparison of Existing and New Debt





# Debt Charges as % of Tax Levy



# Debt Breakdown

	2009	2010	2011
	\$Million		
Gross Tax-Supported Debt	\$3,300	\$3,660	\$4,360
Less: Projected Sinking Fund Book Value including Monetization Funds	(1,032)	(1,550)	(1,750)
<b>Net Tax-Supported Debt</b>	<b>\$2,268</b>	<b>\$2,110</b>	<b>\$2,610</b>

# Unmet Capital Needs

- The 2011-2020 Capital Budget is manageable except for TTC

TTC	2011 – 2020 Capital Plan \$Billions		
	Requested	Recommended	Requested but Not Recommended
<b>Gross Expenditures</b>	<b>7.59</b>	<b>3.44</b>	<b>4.16</b>
<b>Funding Sources:</b>			
Provincial Subsidy	1.32	0.79	0.54
Federal Subsidy	1.59	0.54	1.05
Other	0.28	0.04	0.19
<b>Total Funding:</b>	<b>3.20</b>	<b>1.42</b>	<b>1.78</b>
Required Debt:	4.39	2.02	2.38
Debt Target	2.13	2.13	0.11
<b>Debt Shortfall</b>	<b>2.26</b>	<b>-0.11</b>	<b>2.26</b>

# Emerging Capital Needs

	<u>\$Billion</u>
• TTC	
– Unmet capital needs (per above)	4.16
– Other emerging needs	4.40
• Lawrence Heights	0.24
• Long Term Care	0.22
• Facilities	0.17
• Other	0.49

# Unmet Capital Needs (Cont.d)

- Meeting this need will require:
  - new approaches
  - rationalization of some affected assets
  - new funding sources

# Monetization of Assets

- Staff will report following budget approval on process for identifying, quantifying and recommending monetization of specific assets
- Some key candidates are City owned subsidiaries:
  - Toronto Hydro (maximum 10% after which provincial taxes make sale uneconomic)
  - Enwave
  - Toronto Parking Authority
- Council adopted motion in 2010 removing Toronto Hydro from consideration



# 5. Action Plan

# Action Plan

- Short-Term: City Initiatives:
  - Service level review (Divisions & ABCs)
  - Detailed service efficiency review (Divisions & ABCs)
  - Comprehensive user fee policy
  - Procurement Policy & Practice review
  - Asset Monetization review
- Medium/Long-Term: Funding relationship with other orders of Government
  - 50% TTC operating funding
  - Social Housing upload/ National Housing Strategy
  - Sharing of HST



