City of Ottawa COVID-19 Response Update

City Council May 27, 2020



Context: Key Inputs Into Recovery Plan

Foundational Conditions



Public Health



Workplace Safety



Vulnerable Populations

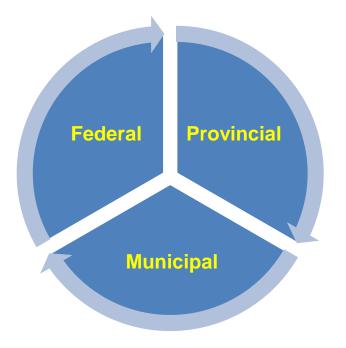


Child Care



Transit

Government Alignment



City of Ottawa Task Teams



Human Needs



Services



People



Finance



Economic Recovery



Economic Recovery Task Team Status Update



Preconditions for Economic Recovery

Immediate resumption:

- Opening of businesses permitted under Provincial Emergency Orders
- Availability of guidance on safe operating practices and personal protection
- Broader public acceptance of resuming more activities while maintaining physical distancing

The path to recovery is dependent on:

- Public confidence in resuming daily activities with modified practices
- Availability of child care (public and private)
- Continuity of public transit and aligning service with demand



Economic Impacts by Sector

Sector	Economic Impact Level
Entertainment/Accommodation/Food Services	High
Retail	High
Public Administration/Health Care/Social Services/Education	Moderate
Transportation	Moderate
Professional/Scientific/Technical Services	Low
Construction	Low
Utilities	Very Low

Highest Impacted Sectors

Entertainment / Accommodation / Food Services

Employment

Total job losses in Entertainment, Accommodation & Food Services Sectors by April 12th 2020



 58.0% decline relative to employment in February 2020

Wages

Total wage losses in Entertainment, Accommodation & Food Services Sectors by April 12th 2020



GDP

Total GDP losses in Entertainment, Accommodation & Food Services Sectors by April 12 th 2020

Revenue

Total Revenue losses in Entertainment, Accommodation & Food Services Sectors by April 12th 2020





Retail

Employment

Total job losses in Retail Trade by April 12 th 2020



 42.1 % decline relative to employment in February 2020

Wages

Total wage losses in Retail Trade by April 12th 2020



GDP

Total GDP losses in Retail Trade by April 12th 2020



CAD 176,70 m

Revenue

Total Revenue losses in Retail Trade Sector by April 12 th 2020



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Economic Recovery Objectives

- Implement a phased approach focused on economic restart, reset, resilience
- Support safe resumption of business activity
- Limit business closures and preserve jobs
- Restore consumer and business confidence
- Return to robust economic activity
- Develop future resilience



Response To Date

- ✓ Community Economic Confidence Task Force initiated as part of Emergency Operations Centre activation (now folded into Economic Recovery Task Team)
- ✓ Early engagement with Mayor's Economic Partners Task Force
- Focused on addressing immediate business challenges and minimizing economic impacts
- ✓ Significant internal/external stakeholder collaboration and coordination
- ✓ Launched the "Buy Local" promotional campaign
- ✓ Launched the Business Reopening Toolkit



Fast Track Initiatives In Progress

- Patio fees for 2020 season and encouraging new patio types (i.e. ByWard Market)
- Tourist kiosk fees for 2020 season
- Temporary Right of Way access for vending/retail (maintaining accessibility and physical distancing)
- Phase 2 of "Buy Local" promotional campaign
- Innovation Pilot Program Recovery Stream (47 applications received)



Key Initiatives In Development

- Streamlining City processes, permits and approvals focused on the highest impacted sectors (entertainment, accommodation, food services and retail)
- Identifying and advancing high economic impact projects
- Developing economic development tools and programs
- Prioritizing infrastructure stimulus projects



Process for Vetting Initiatives

- Intake through Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development
- Verification of feasibility with City departments
- Analysis of financial implications
- Inter-task-force coordination and senior management sign-off
- Approvals through appropriate Standing Committees and/or Council



Looking Ahead

- Economic Development Services to support recovery efforts
- Reviewing Term of Council Priorities in the 2019-2022 City Strategic Plan
- Continuing work with Invest Ottawa on long-term economic opportunities and fostering innovation
- Collaborating with Ottawa Tourism on sector recovery
- Liaising with Ottawa Board of Trade, RGA, OCOBIA, Ottawa Film Office,
 OMIC and other economic development partners

