

COMMUNICATION UPDATE

то:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	May 6, 2025
SUBJECT:	Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG9-1-1) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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The purpose of this Communication Update is to share information regarding the latest developments on the Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG9-1-1) system implementation:

- Change of the CRTC deadline
- Change in the City of Hamilton NG9-1-1 transition date as reported in November 4, 2024 Communication Update from Q1 2025 to Q3 2025.

Change to CRTC Deadline

On June 1, 2017, the Canada Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) had mandated that all telephone companies update their networks and transition to provide NG9-1-1 service capability for Canadians by March 4, 2025. Subsequently on Feb 28, 2025, CRTC, issued <u>Telecom Decision CRTC 2025-67</u> <u>CRTC</u> extending the transition deadline to March 31, 2027.

Employees.

City of Hamilton NG9-1-1 Transition Date Revision

In May 2023, the City of Hamilton procured a Call Handling System from Solacom Inc. and has since been working with Bell and Solacom to transition to NG9-1-1. Staff from multiple Divisions are actively working with vendors to finalize configurations, testing, and to ensure all requirements for NG9-1-1 transition are met.

As of this writing, only six (6) Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) in Ontario have transitioned from Legacy 911 to Next Generation 9-1-1. The City of Hamilton is envisioning a transition to NG9-1-1 by Q3, 2025 - in advance of most other provincial jurisdictions and well prior to the extended CRTC deadline.

Consultation

- Mike Rember, Deputy Fire Chief, Hamilton Fire Department
- Paul Hamilton, Deputy Chief of Police, Hamilton Police Service

Appendices and Schedules Attached

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