

Subject: FW: 2022 Financial Indicator Template and Municipal Financial Profile
Attachments: FITC23_East Ferris M.pdf; MFP23_East Ferris M.pdf

Hi Jason,

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing reviews each municipality's financial health through the use of key financial indicators which are compared to established provincial thresholds. Please find attached the financial indicator template that has been calculated using your 2022 Financial Information Return (FIR) data.

The Ministry also reviews the indicators from time-to-time, to make sure they provide useful information. This year we have made one minor change to the way the Cash Ratio indicator is presented. Previously presented in a ratio format, this indicator has been changed to a percentage to be consistent with the other indicators.

The formulas (SLC references and calculations) are included in the report for all indicators to provide you with the FIR schedule, line, and column that we have drawn the data from.

For each financial indicator, medians and averages have been calculated for comparator groupings relevant to your municipality.

Although financial indicators may provide important information about a municipality's fiscal health, it is important to remember that they only provide a financial snapshot at a particular moment in time and should never be used in isolation but should be supported with other information and local knowledge.

Also attached is the Municipal Financial Profile for your municipality. The profile spreadsheet contains data points from the FIR, as well as a variety of calculations based on the FIR information. Other information comes from sources such as, the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), Statistics Canada and the On-Line Property Tax Analysis (OPTA) system. Municipalities are required on an annual basis to complete a FIR based mainly on the information from their audited financial statements.

For 2023, the Municipality of East Ferris had three indicators that were within the "moderate" level of risk: Net Financial Assets (-67.8% against a low risk threshold of < -50%), Total Reserves (16.6% against a low risk threshold of 10%) and Cash Ration (37.4% against a low risk threshold of > 50%).

Should you have any questions or comments about your financial indicators, please feel free to contact me.

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