

# **Council Report**

Report Number:	FIRE2021-002
Meeting Date:	April 20, 2021
Title:	Fire Service Grant Transfer Payment Agreement

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#### **Recommendation(s):**

**That** Report FIRE2021-002, Fire Service Grant Transfer Payment Agreement, be received;

That the agreement between the Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes and Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario as represented by the Office of the Fire Marshal, attached as Appendix A to report FIRE2021-002 be approved; and

That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute any documents and agreements required by the approval of this agreement.

Department Head: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Financial/Legal/HR/Other:

Chief Administrative Officer:\_\_\_\_\_

# **Background:**

On March 11, 2021, the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management announced a one time grant to municipal Fire Services to assist in addressing challenges associated with training and virtual inspections due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The City of Kawartha Lakes Fire Rescue Service is eligible to receive up to \$23,200.00 as part of this grant program.

# **Rationale:**

The grant is intended to provide Fire Departments with support in the two priority areas of ongoing training needs and to address challenges with code compliance and inspections.

The Fire Department submitted an application for funding for increased training opportunities for the following:

-Online solution for Fire Department training as well as tracking and reporting -Subscription to online training manuals

The application also includes a portion for the purchase of technology to be used for virtual inspections and public education activities.

The Department has received confirmation that the funding application for the Fire Safety Grant Application has been accepted. In order to utilize the grant, the Fire Safety Grant Transfer Payment Agreement attached as Appendix A is required to be signed to formalize the grant allocation.

#### **Other Alternatives Considered:**

No other alternatives have been considered.

# **Alignment to Strategic Priorities**

The recommendation aligns with the following strategic priorities:

A Vibrant and Growing Economy

Recommendations in this report will support effective Fire Service response operations and service delivery.

An Excellent Quality of Life

Recommendations in this report will support efficient delivery of Fire Service response operations and assists the general well-being and overall health and safety of employees.

# Financial/Operation Impacts:

There is no financial impact to this report as the funding is provided by the Provincial Fire Safety Grant Program.

#### **Consultations:**

Solicitor Risk Management Coordinator

# **Attachments:**

Appendix A – Fire Safety Grant Transfer Payment Agreement



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