

To:

Members of the Committee of the Whole

From:

Chris Snetsinger, Fire Chief

Meeting Date:

November 2, 2015

Subject:

Report FS15-003

Fire Dispatch Services for Northumberland County

Purpose

A report to recommend the City enter into a new five-year agreement to provide Fire Dispatch Services to all seven municipal Fire Departments within the County of Northumberland.

Recommendations

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report FS15-003 dated November 2, 2015 of the Fire Chief, as follows:

- a) That the City enter into a new five-year agreement (January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2020), with the option to renew for an additional five years, to provide Fire Dispatch Services to all seven municipal Fire Departments within the County of Northumberland for the following annual base fees:
 - i) \$377,604 for the period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016
 - ii) \$389,012 for the period January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017
 - iii) \$400,850 for the period January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018
 - iv) \$413,140 for the period January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019
 - v) \$425,903 for the period January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020
- b) That a By-law be enacted authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to execute a five (5) year agreement from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2020 between the City and the County of Northumberland.

Budget and Financial Implications

The projected expenses for services rendered for 2016 will be \$287,604 with an increase over each of the next four years. Two additional staff, insurance coverage, computer aided dispatch software, radio console hardware and IT support will be required to deliver the service. These expenses are 100% funded from the revenue of this contract, any surplus revenue will be put into reserve to be used for future capital infrastructure upgrades to the current system.

Background

Peterborough Fire Services began receiving requests to provide its efficient computerized dispatch capabilities to neighbouring municipalities. By 2005, Council had approved contracts with most of the townships in Peterborough County, and by 2009, all of Peterborough County was receiving dispatch services from Peterborough Fire Services. Recently, Peterborough Fire Services was the successful proponent for Northumberland County's RFP for dispatch service to all of the municipal Fire Services. The increased revenue from continuing to develop and grow dispatch services will allow PFS to keep up with improving technologies in communications that will benefit the residents of the City as well as our neighbouring counties.

Submitted by,

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Attachment: Appendix A - Bylaw



The Corporation of the City of Peterborough

By-Law Number 15-XXX

| Being a By-law to authorize the entering into and the execution of an Agreement |
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| between The Corporation of the City of Peterborough and The Corporation of the |
| County of Northumberland for the provision of Fire Dispatch Services. |

The Corporation of the City of Peterborough by the Council thereof hereby enacts as follows:

That The Corporation of the City of Peterborough enter into and that the Mayor and the Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an Agreement between The Corporation of the City of Peterborough and The Corporation of the County of Northumberland for the provision of fire dispatch services from January 1, 2016 and expiring on December 31, 2020 and to affix the Seal of the Corporation thereto, in the form attached hereto as Schedule A.

By-law read a first, second and third time this 9th day of November, 2015.

| Daryl Bennett, Mayor |
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| John Kennedy, City Clerk |