

To: Members of the General Committee

From: Chris Snetsinger

Fire Chief

Meeting Date: January 11, 2021

Subject: Report CAOFS21-002

Fire Dispatch Services for Townships within Northumberland

County

Purpose

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

Recommendations

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report CAOFS21–002 dated January 11, 2021 of the Fire Chief, as follows:

- a) That the City enter into a five-year agreement from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2025 to provide Fire Dispatch Services to all seven Municipalities within the County of Northumberland for the following annual base fees:
 - i. \$442,087.30 for the period of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021
 - ii. \$458,886.62 for the period of January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022
 - iii. \$476,324.32 for the period of January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023
 - iv. \$494,424.64 for the period of January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024
 - v. \$513,212.78 for the period of January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025
- b) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the Agreement on terms acceptable to the Chief Administrative Officer and the Fire Chief and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor.

Budget and Financial Implications

The revenue received in 2020 for services rendered was \$425,903. The renewed agreement sets out amounts for full cost recovery with annual increases of 3.8%. The revenue expected to be received in 2021 under the new contract will be \$442,087.30.

Background

As presented in Report FS15-003 Peterborough Fire Services was the successful proponent for Northumberland County's RFP for dispatch service to all the municipal Fire Services for the years 2016-2020 as executed in By-law 15-158. Northumberland County and its member Municipalities would like to renew the agreement. City staff have negotiated a new five-year agreement with an annual increase of 3.8%.

The Peterborough Fire Services currently provides dispatch services to the County of Northumberland and the County of Peterborough in addition to the City of Peterborough. The Communications Division handles over 14,000 emergency calls annually. Revenues from providing dispatching services to surrounding Municipalities has offset operating costs of the Communications Division for the City of Peterborough.

Submitted by,

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