

To: Members of the General Committee

From: Jen McFarlane, Commissioner, Municipal Operations (Acting)

Meeting Date: June 3, 2024

Report: Enrolment and Implementation of the Ministry of

Transportation (MTO) Drive ON Program, Report MOPW24-017

Subject

A report to approve the enrolment and implementation of the MTO, Drive ON, Vehicle Inspection Centre (VIC) program.

Recommendation

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report MOPW24-017, dated June 3, 2024, of the Commissioner of Municipal Operations (Acting) as follows:

That the Manager of Fleet Services be authorized to execute agreements with the Ministry of Transportation to enter the City into the MTO Drive ON, Vehicle Inspection (VIC) Program, on terms acceptable to the Commissioner, Municipal Operations (Acting), and in forms that are acceptable to the City Solicitor.

Executive Summary

 Approval of this report will allow the City to take necessary steps to maintain full compliance under the Ministry of Transportation requirements of our Commercial Vehicle Operators Registration (CVOR).

Background

The City of Peterborough currently operates a Motor Vehicle Inspection Station (MVIS) under license with the Ministry of Transportation. The City of Peterborough conducts annual and semi-annual inspections as a compliance requirement of their CVOR.

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) is modernizing the current Motor Vehicle Inspection Station (MVIS) program and the Heavy Diesel Emissions program by combining both programs into a single digital program, called DriveON. MVIS owners must enrol in the new DriveON Program to continue conducting mandatory motor vehicle safety inspections after the end of the current MVIS program. The MVIS comes to an end July 31, 2024. A mandatory enrolment deadline of July 31, 2024 has been moved up to May 31, 2024. To meet this mandatory enrolment deadline, a contract has been signed, subject to Council approval.

Strategic Plan

Strategic Pillar: Governance and Fiscal Sustainability:

Strategic Priority: Support a culture of continuous improvement, safety, and

innovation to enhance cost-effective delivery of City programs and

services.

Support service excellence in governance to support long-term fiscal sustainability of the city assets while respecting the impact of decisions on taxpayers.

This program allows the city to continue a culture of accountable, transparent, ethical, and responsible corporate governance and financial management that supports the needs of the community into the future.

Engagement and Consultation

City staff attended MTO information sessions that were being held to support the rollout of DriveON program, and engaged in consultation with the MTO, program administrators at Parsons, as well as City staff to fulfill the requirements of the contracts. The successful and extensive process to understand the priorities of this

mandatory program included consultation with city staff for their subject matter expertise in area of insurance, finance, and legal services.

Budget and Financial Implications

The cost of required equipment is approximately \$6,000. The program provides one complimentary tablet valued at \$1,300. Additional tablets may be required. The financial requirement can be accommodated within the approved operating budgets.

Conclusion

The recommendation reflects a forward-thinking approach to sustainable asset compliance and reinforces the City of Peterborough's commitment to a future marked by growth and conscious decision making. If the recommendation is approved, staff will proceed with enrollment when the portal for enrolment becomes active.

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