



Subject: *Community Partnership Fund Policy Update*
To: Corporate & Residential Services Committee
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Related Motions: n/a
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Summary

The Community Partnership Fund Policy is being reviewed as part of Council's Policy Review Program. The draft version of the Policy contains a significant cosmetic update to align with current Municipal policy standards and minor language changes. These proposed changes preserve Council's intent for the Community Partnership fund while modernizing the Policy.

Financial Impact Statement

n/a

Recommendation

That the Corporate and Residential Services Committee recommend to Council to adopt the updated 'Community Partnership Fund Policy'.

Recommended Motion

Regular Meeting of Council (Policy & In-Camera) - June 20, 2023

Move that the Corporate & Residential Services Committee recommends to Council that Council give notice of intent to approve the Community Partnership Fund Policy amendments as attached to the Executive Committee agenda dated June 20, 2023.

Regular Meeting of Council - June 28, 2023

Move that the Corporate & Residential Services Committee recommends to Council that Council approve the Community Partnership Fund Policy amendments as attached to the Executive Committee agenda dated June 20, 2023.

Background

The 'Community Partnership Fund Policy' (the 'Policy') outlines how the Municipality of East Hants (the 'Municipality') selects and provide funding to Community Partner organizations. Current Community Partnership Fund (CPF) recipient organizations are:

- Corridor Community Options for Adults
- East Hants Community Rider
- East Hants Family Resource Centre
- East Hants Historical Society
- East Hants Sports Heritage Society
- East Hants Youth Links

- Kids Action (Annapolis Valley-Hants Community Action Program)
- Senior Safety Program Association of Hants County

Recipients of CPF are generally larger organizations that provide substantial programming that goes beyond the Municipality's current program offerings. These programs must be universally accessible to all Municipal residents.

This Policy is being reviewed as part of Council's Policy Review Program. To complete this review, meetings were held with the following individuals or groups:

- The Senior Grant Review Committee;
- The Chief Administrative Officer; and
- The Community Development Coordinator.

Discussion

The content of this Policy did not require a substantial update or change to better reflect Municipal operations, practice, or strategy. However, there is a substantial cosmetic change to this Policy to better reflect Municipal templates and standards. The proposed cosmetic changes have not been included in the tracked changes, with only content changes being tracked. Consequently, the Draft Policy preserves Council's intent for the CPF while modernizing the Policy itself to align with Municipal Standards.

The non-cosmetic changes to the Policy include language changes. The language clarification changes primarily apply to providing greater reference to the Municipal 'Strategic Plan' and clarifying the timing of certain deliverables by both the Municipality and fund recipients.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

The draft Policy aligns with the Municipal Key Strategy of Corporate Excellence.

Alternatives

Committee may recommend any other policy amendments as appropriate.

Attachments

DRAFT Community Partnership Fund Policy (With Markup)

DRAFT Community Partnership Fund Policy (Without Markup)