

# Staff Report



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| To            | <b>City Council</b>  |
| Service Area  | Office of the Mayor and Council                                  |
| Date          | Monday, May 30, 2022   |
| Subject       | <b>Councillor Request for Increase to Training Funding, 2022</b> |
| Report Number | Office of the Mayor and Council-2022-01                          |

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## Recommendation

1. That Councillor Mark MacKinnon be authorized to increase his 2022 Training Funding allocation of \$4875.00 for up to \$8000.00, to cover costs associated with attendance at the 2022 Association Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and 2022 Federation of Canadian Municipal (FCM).

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## Executive Summary

### Purpose of Report

To request Council approval for Councillor MacKinnon's request to increase the Training Funding allocation for the 2022 year, to attend the FCM Annual Conference and Trade Show, June 2-5, 2022, in Regina, Saskatchewan, and the AMO Annual General Meeting and Conference, August 14-17, 2022, in Ottawa, Ontario.

### Key Findings

Each Councillor has an allocated amount from the Council Office Training Budget. As prescribed by Policy, Council approval is required for any Councillor to expend monies beyond this yearly allocation.

### Financial Implications

The Council's training funding for 2022 is \$58,500.00. This funding is shared equally and provides each Councillor with \$4875.00 in support of conference registration, transportation, hotel, meals. To date approximately \$54,000 is unexpended as not all Councillors have planned to attend training conferences this year.

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Council's pool of training funds in 2022 is \$58,500.00, which is shared equally between 12 Councillors. At this time of year, this fund is underspent by approximately \$54,000 as not all members of Council have plans to attend training



conferences this year. Councillor Mark MacKinnon will be attending the FCM conference in June 2022 and AMO Conference in August 2022 and this will deplete his training funding for the year. He has found great value in both the FCM and AMO conference agendas and will be attending these conferences. It is requested that he be permitted to access additional training funds and be approved to spend up to \$8000.00 this year, to cover the costs of attending these two conferences in 2022. The unspent training funds will be used to support this request and we do not expect this will create a negative variance for 2022.

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### **Overarching Goals**

Service excellence.

### **Departmental Approval**

Mayor Cam Guthrie

### **Report Author**

Sandra Frempong, Executive Assistant to the Mayor

*Approved via email*

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### **Approved by**

Councillor Mark MacKinnon



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### **Recommended by**

Mayor Cam Guthrie