Staff Report



To Committee of the Whole

Service Area Public Services

Date Tuesday, June 6, 2023

Subject Ontario Health - Multi-Sector Service

Accountability Agreement, Declaration of

Compliance

Recommendation

1. That the Mayor be authorized to sign the Declaration of Compliance for the Ontario Health Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement for the period of April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023

Executive Summary

Purpose of Report

To seek Council approval for the Mayor to sign the Declaration of Compliance for the Ontario Health Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement for the period of April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023.

Key Findings

In order to meet the terms of our Multi-Sectoral Accountability Agreement, we must submit a declaration of Compliance, indicating that all terms of the agreement have been met over the previous year. Staff can confirm that as the Health Service Provider (HSP), we have met all obligations under the agreement in effect during the applicable period.

Strategic Plan Alignment

This report aligns with the Working Together For Our Future pillar, as we look to the Ontario Health funding as a means to deliver health programs to our community, like the Community Paramedicine Program. Under that pillar, this work responds to the goal of exploring new funding options, service-delivery models and partnerships to ease taxes for residents and businesses.

Financial Implications

There is no financial impact to signing the Declaration of Compliance.

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In 2019, the City entered into a Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement with the Waterloo Wellington Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) for the funding received as a Health Service Provider (HSP). The terms of this agreement were transferred to Ontario Health, along with all the reporting obligations. The purpose of the Multi-Sector Service Accountability Agreement is to cover all programs through which the City of Guelph receives funding from Ontario Health. While there have been other programs previously funded under the agreement (for example, the Safe Beds Program through Stonehenge Therapeutic Community), the City is currently only receiving funding from Ontario Health for our Community Paramedicine Program, delivered through Guelph-Wellington Paramedic Services. The Elliott Community has their own agreement for the funding received from Ontario Health for their services, and is not included within this declaration.

Ontario Health requires that Council pass a motion authorizing that the Mayor sign a declaration that all obligations under the agreement have been met. The specific declaration will read as follows:

After making inquiries of Colleen Clack-Bush, Deputy CAO Public Services and other appropriate officers of the GSP and subject to any exceptions identified on Appendix 1 to this Declaration of Compliance, to the best of City Council's knowledge and belief, the HSP has fulfilled its obligations under the Agreement in effect during the Applicable Period.

Further to this declaration, staff can confirm that all obligations have been met for the applicable period (April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023) and no exceptions will be identified on Appendix 1 of the declaration.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with the signing of the Declaration of Compliance.

Consultations

None.

Attachments

None.

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