

Town of Riverview

COUNCIL REPORT FORM



Presented to: Mayor and Town Council

Presented by: Colin Smith, CAO

Date: February 25, 2019

Subject: Hospital Foundation – Capital Campaign funding request from Town of Riverview

BACKGROUND

On January 28, 2019 Town Council received a presentation from the Moncton Hospital Foundation on its \$8.0 million campaign for the creation of a new Maternity and Newborn Unit and the relocation and expansion of the Cardiac Care. The Foundation made a request of the Town of Riverview to contribute \$100,000 over 5 years for this campaign. During the presentation the committee members indicated that the Cities of Moncton and Dieppe had both committed funds to this initiative, however they did not share the details.

After the presentation the Mayor requested that I prepare a report outlining what has Moncton and Dieppe formally committed to this campaign. Furthermore, I was asked to provide an overview of what the Town of Riverview had committed to previous Hospital Foundation capital fundraising campaigns.

Other Municipal Commitments:

- The City of Moncton committed \$500,000 to this campaign over a 5 year period starting in 2021. The funding may need to be extended beyond 5 years depending on budget availability. The \$500,000 provides the full amount the Hospital Foundation requested.
- The City of Dieppe committed \$50,000 to this campaign over a 5 year period starting in 2020. The City has funds that are available starting in 2020 as one of their prior commitments ends. The Hospital Foundation had requested \$100,000 from the City of Dieppe.

Previous Campaign Commitment:

The records indicated that the Town of Riverview has contributed to two previous Hospital Foundation Campaigns. The contributions were as follows:

- “Renovating the Spirit” Fund Raising Campaign for Oncology – one time grant of \$5,000 on March 26, 2007.
- An operational grant for the Moncton Hospital of \$5,000 on January 23, 1995.

Options:

Council will need to consider how it would like to proceed with responding to this request. As this grant amount requested and the nature of the grant (for a Hospital) are both not contemplated in the scope of the current Grant Policy, if a contribution is made it would be made outside the scope of the current parameters established in the policy. There are a number of options available to Council, and below are a couple for your consideration:

- Deny the request as the request falls out of scope of the current grant policy.
- Approve a onetime allocation from the grant budget to be consistent with previous Councils who had allocated dollars to the Hospital Foundation Campaigns in the past. The one time grant amount could be up to \$15,000 consistent with the maximum annual grant amount allowed under the current policy.
- Approve a multiyear commitment similar to both Moncton and Dieppe. As an example, Council could approve \$10,000 a year for 5 years starting in 2020 similar to Dieppe.
- Approve the multi-year commitment request proposed by the Moncton Hospital Foundation.

CONSIDERATIONS

Legal: n/a

Financial: depends on if and what Council approves

Policy: N/A

Stakeholders:

-residents; business community; recreation users.

Strategic Plan: n/a

Interdepartmental Consultation: N/A

Communication Plan: N/A

Recommendation of Staff

Council to determine appropriate course of action for the Town of Riverview.