

# Town of Riverview

## COUNCIL REPORT FORM



Presented to: MAYOR & COUNCIL

Department: DEVELOPMENT & LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

Date: June 19, 2024

Subject: PROPOSED UPDATE TO COMMUNITY INVESTMENT POLICY

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**BACKGROUND:** Town Council at its Committee of the Whole on April 22, 2024, approved via consensus to update the Community Investment Policy to reflect the ongoing relationship the Town has built with the students at Riverview High School. Council would like to be in a position to encourage and support student led initiatives. Since the school is funded Provincially, technically any funding Council has awarded to RHS students is in contravention to the policy. The policy has been updated to reflect another category under the “Relationship” grants that includes the RHS Student Government Grant. The funding will be ongoing and mirror the school year (September – June of each year).

**CONSIDERATIONS:** Staff understood that Council wanted to be in a position to have the funds available for the upcoming school year (September 2024 – June 2025). As this was not budgeted for 2024, staff is recommending that the funds be withdrawn from the Grants budget for 2024 and be included as a separate line item under relationship grant in subsequent budgets as the intention is for this financial support to be awarded annually.

Legal: *Outline any legal implications that may be caused by the initiative.*

Financial: Ongoing impact on budget

Policy: The policy is attached for review. The sections highlighted in yellow are the proposed amendments.

Stakeholders: Riverview High Students

Strategic Plan: Promoting good governance and building strong student leadership

Interdepartmental Consultation: n/a

Communication Plan: If approved, staff will work with the Communications team to formally advise the Riverview High School of the change and also to update the website when and if the policy changes.

OPTIONS: Status quo of current Community Investment Plan.

**RECOMMENDATION FROM STAFF:** *That Riverview Town Council take the necessary steps to revise the Community Investment Policy to include Riverview High School Student Government as one of the Relationship Grants and that for 2024 the amount of \$2,500 be awarded from the Grants and Donation budget.*

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