



AGENDA FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ELECTRONICALLY FROM CITY HALL, 141 WEST 14TH STREET, NORTH VANCOUVER, BC, ON FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 2024 AT 2:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Special Council Meeting Agenda, March 22, 2024

REPORT

2. *Emergency and Disaster Management Act* Implementation – Indigenous Engagement Requirements Funding Program – File: 01-0360-20-0057/2024

Report: Deputy Director, Real Estate and Economic Development, and Public Safety Director and Fire Chief, March 19, 2024

RECOMMENDATION:

PURSUANT to the report of the Deputy Director, Real Estate and Economic Development, and the Public Safety Director and Fire Chief, dated March 19, 2024, entitled “*Emergency and Disaster Management Act* Implementation – Indigenous Engagement Requirements Funding Program”:

THAT the City enter into, and the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute, a Contribution Agreement with the Province of British Columbia to enable the Province to contribute, and the City to receive, \$40,000 in Provincial funding to support the City’s implementation of the Indigenous Engagement Requirements under the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act*;

AND THAT the District of North Vancouver, in partnership with North Shore Emergency Management, be authorized to administer the project and funds.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

THAT Council recess to the Special Committee of the Whole, Closed Session, pursuant to the *Community Charter*, Section 90(2)(b) [intergovernmental relations], and where required, Council considers that the matters could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the City if they were held in public.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (CLOSED SESSION)

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The Corporation of **THE CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER**
FINANCE DEPARTMENT
PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

REPORT

To: Mayor Linda Buchanan and Members of Council

From: Mark Chan, Deputy Director, Real Estate & Economic Development
Greg Schalk, Public Safety Director & Fire Chief

Subject: EMERGENCY AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT
IMPLEMENTATION – INDIGENOUS ENGAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS
FUNDING PROGRAM

Date: March 19, 2024 File No: 01-0360-20-0057/2024

The following is a suggested recommendation only. Refer to Council Minutes for adopted resolution.

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SUMMARY

This report seeks Council approval to enter into a Contribution Agreement with the Province of British Columbia to enable the Province to contribute, and the City to receive, \$40,000 in Provincial funding to support the City’s implementation of the Indigenous Engagement Requirements under the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act* (“EDMA”).

DISCUSSION

The Provincial EDMA includes requirements for municipalities and regional districts to: consult and cooperate with Indigenous governing bodies; incorporate available Indigenous knowledge into emergency plans and risk assessments; and consider cultural safety across emergency management practices (“the Indigenous Engagement Requirements”).

The Province recognizes that municipalities require resources to carry out the Indigenous Engagement Requirements and is providing funding to municipalities. The Province proposes to provide \$40,000 to the City for the Indigenous Engagement Requirements. In order for the Province to contribute, and the City to receive the funds, the City is required to enter into a Contribution Agreement.

The Contribution Agreement is routine and administrative in nature. It includes provisions such as: use of funds for the Indigenous Engagement Requirements only; eligible activities; and reporting requirements.

Each of the North Shore municipalities will be receiving funds of \$40,000, and entering into their respective Contribution Agreements. The funds for all three municipalities (including the City’s \$40,000 funding) will be pooled and managed by North Shore Emergency Management (“NSEM”), given this relates to the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act*. As NSEM is technically part of the Corporation of the District of North Vancouver (“DNV”), DNV will be administering the funds together with NSEM, on behalf of the three North Shore municipalities.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This funding of \$40,000 will enable the City to carry out the Indigenous Engagement Requirements in EDMA. No additional City funding is anticipated to be required for this initiative.

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

This is primarily a North Shore Emergency Management led initiative, working with staff from Public Safety and Real Estate and Economic Development.

STRATEGIC PLAN, OCP OR POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This initiative supports the Council Strategic Plan in the area “A City for People”, in particular advancing relationships with local Indigenous communities and the City’s urban Indigenous population as one step toward Truth and Reconciliation.

Date: March 19, 2024

CONCLUSION

Approving the recommendation in this report will enable the City to receive \$40,000 in Provincial funding to advance the Indigenous Engagement Requirements set out in EDMA.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:



Mark Chan
Deputy Director, Real Estate and Economic
Development



Greg Schalk
Public Safety Director and Fire Chief