

Recreation, Culture and Wellness Department

Wednesday, March 01, 2023

Subject: Proposed 2023 Municipal Grant Allocation

Recommendation:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive Report #2023-0060 Recreation- Proposed 2023 Municipal Grant Allocation,

AND THAT Council approve the 2023 Municipal Grant allocations of \$13,450 waived facility fees; \$28,550 cash allocations; and \$10,400 estimated in-kind labor requests, as outlined in the 2023 Municipal Grant allocation summary.

Background:

In accordance with Municipal Grants Policy S400-04, applications for funding are accepted annually from not-for-profit organizations that implement significant events and services within the Town of Pelham. These organizations are eligible for grant funding of in-kind contributions. In-kind contributions include the waiving of fees for use of Town facilities for the purposes of developing and organizing significant events and can also include staff labor. In addition to in-kind contributions, Council may, at its discretion, approve grants to support community not-for-profit organization groups or events that will be of a direct benefit to the residents of Pelham.

Analysis:

As per the Policy, there are two categories of grant awards:

Application based process (up to \$20,000.00 maximum for the calendar year)

- Qualifying applications are eligible to receive up to a \$4,000.00 of non-cash in-kind funding.
- The grant provides relief to organizations from the Town established user fees.
- In-kind funding can be granted as waived fees and in-kind labor assistance.

Request to Council (up to \$40,000.00 maximum for the calendar year)

- Requests are considered on a first come first serve basis.
- Requests to Council for this category may be for cash or in-kind contributions.

Financial Considerations:

The total 2023 Municipal Grant Budget is \$42,000.00

After a review of the applications received for waived fees; in-kind assistance; and cash contributions, it is recommended that \$13,450 be allocated to waived fees and \$28,550 in cash funding matching the \$42,000 budgeted figure. Requests for an estimated \$10,400 of in-kind labor were received. Please see attached Grant summary for details.

The only application that was received and not recommended for approval was from The Norm Foster Theatre Festival, from St. Catharines, requesting \$7,500 in cash, to support a theatrical performance in Pelham. Staff will contact the applicant to see if there is any other way of assisting in 2023.

Alternatives Reviewed:

N/A

Strategic Plan Relationship: Build Strong Communities and Cultural Assets

To enable and support significant events and services provided for by local not-forprofit organizations that foster self-fulfillment of individuals and enhance the quality of life within the Town of Pelham.

Consultation:

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Other Pertinent Reports/Attachments:

2023 Municipal Grant Summary

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