

Report EMSR-TAPS-03-14

To: Chair and Members of the Transportation and Public Safety Committee
From: Mike Muir, Director of Emergency Medical Services
Meeting Date: January 23, 2014
Subject: Land Ambulance Services Grant (LASG) Transfer Payment Framework Agreement
Status: Recommendation adopted by Committee as presented per Resolution TAPS27-14 January 23, 2014; Endorsed by County Council February 4, 2014 per Resolution CC21-14;

Recommendation(s)

WHEREAS the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care provides 50/50 funding for the provision of land ambulance service delivery;

AND WHEREAS the Ministry has indicated that continued 50/50 funding is contingent on the County and the Ministry entering into the Land Ambulance Services Grant (LASG) Transfer Payment Framework Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Report EMSR-TAPS-03-14 be received;

AND THAT the necessary by-law be prepared to authorize the Warden and Clerk to execute the Land Ambulance Services Grant (LASG) Transfer Payment Framework Agreement.

Background

In October 2013, the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care notified all Ontario municipal land ambulance service providers that the Ministry will require service providers to enter into Land Ambulance Services Grant (LASG) Transfer Payment Framework Agreements in order to continue to receive 50/50 funding grants. Although funding has traditionally flowed in the absence of this type of agreement, the Ministry is formalizing the process as a means to achieve consistency with other transfer payment agencies.

The agreement was developed with key stakeholders from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Ontario Association of Paramedic Chiefs, Designated Delivery Agents, and the City of Toronto. The agreement has been reviewed internally by staff and is deemed acceptable for execution.

Financial / Staffing / Legal / Information Technology

Considerations

Continued 50/50 funding is contingent on the County's entering into the agreement with the Ministry of Health.

Link to Strategic Goals / Priorities

Establishing funding agreements will ensure that Council's goals of ensuring financial sustainability and ongoing public accountability are maintained.

Attachments

[Land Ambulance Services Grant Transfer Payment Agreement](#)

Respectfully submitted by,

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Director of Emergency Medical Services