



# HAMILTON POLICE SERVICE

## RECOMMENDATION REPORT

<b>TO:</b>	Chair and Members Hamilton Police Services Board
<b>BOARD MEETING DATE:</b>	February 23, 2023
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	RIDE Grant – Ministry of Solicitor General 2022-2023 and 2023-2024: (2 year program, broken down into two one year segments.)
<b>REPORT NUMBER:</b>	23-010
<b>SUBMITTED BY:</b>	Frank Bergen, Chief of Police
<b>SIGNATURE:</b>	

### RECOMMENDATION(S)

- The Hamilton Police Services Board enter into an agreement with His Majesty the King in Right of Ontario as represented by the Solicitor General (the “Province”) whereby the Province provides to the Hamilton Police Service (HPS) a Grant to a maximum of \$42,100.00 to be used exclusively for Sworn Officer overtime or Paid Duty costs associated with the 2022 – 2023 RIDE enforcement programs; and
- That the Chair and Administrator of the Board be authorized and directed to execute such an Agreement, in a form satisfactory to the Legal Counsel of the Police Service.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The 2022/2023 RIDE grant from the Province represents an allocation of \$42,100.00 for the exclusive purposes of sworn member overtime or voluntary paid duty costs to operate the RIDE program.
- HPS has been the annual recipient of the RIDE grant since 1996, delivering extra RIDE programs throughout all areas of the City of Hamilton.

### FINANCIAL – STAFFING – LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial: N/A

Staffing: N/A

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### Legal Implications:

Pursuant to an application submitted by HPS, the Province has approved an allocation of a maximum of \$42,100.00, to the Hamilton Police Services Board (the “Recipient”), to be used exclusively for Sworn Officer overtime or Paid Duty costs associated with operating the 2022-2023 RIDE Program. As was the case in previous years, the RIDE Program may include marine, snowmobile and ATV sobriety checks with the RIDE initiatives. While Police Services are permitted to determine how to best spend their allocations based on local priorities, marine, snowmobile and ATV sobriety spot checks must be reflected separately on the statistical report submitted to the Province.

The Province requires that an agreement be entered into between it and the Recipient for the purposes of obtaining this Grant. This agreement identifies the terms upon which the funding will be provided, which are as follows:

- (a) The Grant period is April 1, 2022 to Mar 31, 2023.
- (b) The Grant shall not be used for purposes other than to fund paid duty or overtime staff duties dedicated to sobriety checks.
- (c) The Province agrees to pay the Grant up to a maximum of \$42,100.00 for fiscal year 2022 – 2023. The Grant funding shall be paid out following the Province’s receipt and approval of the final Project reports stipulated in Schedule “D” to the Agreement – Budget Payment Plan and Reporting, which reflects the activities in the Grant Application, submitted by HPS.
- (d) The Recipient, represents, warrants and covenants that:
  - i. it is, and will continue to be, a validly existing legal entity with full power to fulfill its obligations under the Agreement;
  - ii. it has, and will continue to have, the experience and expertise necessary to carry out the project.
- (e) The Recipient will indemnify and hold harmless the Indemnified Parties from and against any and all liability, loss, costs, damages, and expenses (including legal, expert and consultant fees), causes of action, actions, claims, demands, lawsuits, or other proceedings, by whomever made, sustained, incurred, brought, or prosecuted, in any way arising out of or in connection with the Project or otherwise in connection with the Agreement, unless solely caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of the Indemnified Parties.
- (f) The Recipient is required to maintain commercial general liability insurance on an occurrence basis for third party bodily injury, personal injury and property damage

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in the amount of at least Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) per occurrence. The Recipient will provide proof of required insurance to the Province.

- (g) There are substantial accounting and audit requirements, including that:
- (i) The Recipient must ensure that proper financial and project records and supporting documentation, including receipts and invoices are kept in respect of the Grant.
  - (ii) The Recipient shall provide reports according to the reporting format and timeframes required by the Agreement and its Schedules; and
  - (iii) The Recipient shall retain all materials and records associated with the Agreement in a manner consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.
- (h) The Recipient shall, by April 15, 2023, provide the Province with an accounting, in detail, for all expenses for the activities for which the Funds were used as well as statistical information, in the forms set out in Schedule "E". The one-time financial report will be submitted to the Province on the form attached in Schedule "E". This financial report must be certified by a Municipal Clerk/Treasurer or a senior representative of the Recipient's financial services who can verify the accuracy of the claim.
- (i) The Funds cannot be used for civilian or auxiliary officers.
- (j) The Recipient will acknowledge the support of the Province for the Project in a form and manner as directed by the Province. The Recipient will also indicate in any of its Project-related publications, whether written, oral, or visual, that the views of the Recipient do not necessarily reflect those of the Province.

## INFORMATION

The HPS believes in the prevention, detection and suppression of crimes, including traffic-related offences, such as impaired driving and impaired operation of motor vehicles, and the relentless pursuit of offenders via street level enforcement activities (i.e. RIDE Program initiatives), making a Hamilton a safer community.

From 1996 to the present, the HPS has made Application to the Ministry of the Solicitor General/Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Service, for a grant to be used exclusively for Sworn Officer overtime or Paid Duty costs associated with operating the RIDE Program. As a result of the 2022-2023 RIDE Grant Application, the HPS received \$42,100.00.

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Impaired operation of vehicles due to alcohol and drug use by drivers in Hamilton continues to be a source of concern for the HPS. Our efforts continue to deter and detect impaired driving in our region. There was an 8.6% decrease in impaired driving arrests in 2022 compared to 2021.

The 2022-2023 RIDE Grant will be used in a manner that reinforces the ongoing commitment of HPS to the prevention and enforcement of impaired driving criminal offences.

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