

Subject: Station Arts 2022 – 2024 Memorandum of Understanding Report Number: RCP 21-26 Department: Recreation, Culture & Parks Department Submitted by: Christopher Baird, Director of Recreation, Culture & Parks Department Meeting Type: Council Meeting Meeting Date: Monday, October 25, 2021

RECOMMENDATION

THAT report RCP 21-26 Station Arts 2022 - 2024 Memorandum of Understanding be received as information; and

THAT Council approve the proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) as outlined within this report; and

THAT an amount of \$52,000.00 be included in the 2022 Recreation, Culture & Parks Operating Budget to provide the necessary funding as outlined in the MOU; and

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Corporation.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to present Council with the proposed Station Arts 2022 to 2024 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), which outlines each party's roles and responsibilities for the next three-year term.

DISCUSSION

Staff have had the opportunity to work with the Station Arts Board over the past few months to help in finalizing the attached draft agreement that will outline our respective roles and responsibilities. Revisions to the previous MOU are reflected in the attached draft both underlined and highlighted for Council's benefit. For comparison purposes, the 2021 amount approved by Council was \$40,800. The request for consideration in 2022 is \$52,000, which represents an approximate increase of 27%.

CONSULTATION

This report has been prepared in consultation with the Tillsonburg District Craft Guild (Station Arts Centre), and Recreation, Culture & Parks Department.

FINANCIAL IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE

The proposed request of \$52,000.00 will be included in the draft 2022 RCP Operating Budget.

CORPORATE GOALS

How does this report support the corporate goals identified in the Community Strategic Plan?

- \boxtimes Lifestyle and amenities
- □ Customer service, communication and engagement
- □ Business attraction, retention and expansion
- \Box Community growth
- □ Connectivity and transportation
- □ Not Applicable

Does this report relate to a specific strategic direction or project identified in the Community Strategic Plan? Please indicate section number and/or any priority projects identified in the plan.

Goal – Strive to offer all residents the amenities, services and attractions they require to enjoy balanced lifestyles.

Strategic Direction – Increasing opportunities to enjoy culture, events and leisure activities in Tillsonburg and to maintain programs, facilities, services and attractions to support an active, engaged senior and youth.

Priority Project – Short Term - Expand community partnerships in the delivery of programs that create additional community events.

ATTACHMENT

Appendix A – Proposed 2022-2024 Station Arts Memorandum of Understanding