



The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

To: Mayor and Members of Council

Prepared by: Dale Langlois, Director of Finance / Treasurer

Department: Finance

Date of Report: October 22, 2020

Report Number: FIN-26-2020

Subject: Request of Provincial Funding under Phase 2 of the Safe Restart Program

Recommendation

That the report of the Director of Finance dated October 22, 2020 (FIN-26-2020) regarding a request for Provincial funding under phase 2 of the Safe Restart Program BE RECEIVED;

and that Council REQUEST funding from the Province of Ontario under phase 2 of the Safe Restart Program to offset net costs to the Town of LaSalle related to the COVID-19 crisis that have exceeded phase 1 funding of \$695,000.

Report

Through Phase 2, the Province of Ontario is committed to providing further financial support to those municipalities that require additional funds to address extraordinary operating expenditures and revenue losses arising from COVID-19 in 2020, over and above the allocation provided under Phase 1.

The deadline to apply for additional funding is October 30, 2020. However, Municipalities may request extensions to November 6, 2020. It is important to note that LaSalle has been approved for the extension to November 6, 2020.

Under phase 1 of the Safe Restart program, the Town of LaSalle was allocated \$695,000. Upon initial review, it is expected that the Town of LaSalle will experience additional operating costs and loss of revenue (net of any cost savings) that will exceed the phase 1 allocation.

The most significant forecasted additional cost / lost revenue factors include the following:

- Loss of Provincial Offences revenue
- Loss of penalty and interest revenue
- Increase in garbage disposal costs
- Personal protective equipment costs
- Unbudgeted costs related to additional security at Town Hall
- Additional Janitor costs
- Loss revenue at the Vollmer Centre (net of reduced part time labour savings)
- Savings resulting from reduced travel, conference and training costs
- Savings resulting from delaying the hiring of new positions

Administration is currently working on a detailed forecast of the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and will be able to meet the extended application deadline of November 6, 2020.

Consultations

None

Financial Implications

If the Town is allocated additional funding under phase 2 of the safe restart program, it will lessen the financial burden resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Link to Strategic Goals

Yes	Enhancing organizational excellence
Yes	Sustain strong public services and infrastructure
	Strengthen the community's engagement with the Town
	Grow and diversify the local economy
	Build on our high-quality of life

Communications

Yes	Not applicable
	Website
	Social Media
	News Release
	Local Newspaper
	Bids & Tenders
	Notification pursuant to the Planning Act

Notifications

Name	Address	Email

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:



Chief Administrative Officer

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