Report to Council



Date: March 3, 2025

To: Council

From: City Manager

Subject: UBCM Emergency Operations Centre Regional Application Grant

Department: Fire Department

Recommendation:

THAT Council receives, for information, the report from Kelowna Fire Department dated March 3, 2025, with respect to UBCM Regional Grant Funding Application Emergency Operations Centre Equipment and Training Funding;

AND THAT Council approved the Regional District of Central Okanagan applying for, receiving, and managing the 2025 UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund grant, under the Emergency Operations Centre Equipment and Training stream on behalf of the City of Kelowna;

Purpose:

To support the Regional District to apply for the grant funding Regional Emergency Operations Centre Equipment and Training Grant application for a maximum of \$240,000.

Council Priority Alignment:

Climate & Environment

Background:

Emergency Management staff have prepared a regional application to request grant funding and subsequently pool funds for Emergency Operations Centre Equipment and Training. Grant funds will be used for Emergency Operations Centre training complete with tabletop exercises and mock activations, communications training for the Public Information Officers, team building within the EOC and mental health and wellness training.

The City of Kelowna supports regional grant funding in collaboration with all regional partners to enhance the resiliency of our local partners, First Nations, and communities in responding to emergencies

Internal Circulation:

Finance City Clerk

Considerations applicable to this report:

Legal/Statutory Authority: Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements: Existing Policy: Financial/Budgetary Considerations: Consultation and Engagement:

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