

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: Mayor and Councillors

Subject: Strategic Community Investment Fund - Traffic File #: 1610.00

**Fine Revenue Sharing** 

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From: Darrin Leite, CPA, CA

**Director of Corporate Services** 

Date: May 9, 2019

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the City of Langley acknowledge the receipt of \$452,388 from the Provincial Government to help fund the salary of three RCMP officers from the traffic fine revenue received in 2018.

#### **PURPOSE:**

The Strategic Community Investment Fund Agreement the City has with the Provincial Government requires the City to annually report on the traffic fine revenues received in the prior year.

#### POLICY:

None.

#### **COMMENTS/ANALYSIS:**

The Provincial Government requires the City to publicly report on the amount of traffic fine revenues received. In 2018, \$452,388 in traffic fine revenues was received from the Province.

In 2004, the Province began returning 100% of the traffic fine revenues to municipalities and the City hired three RCMP officers that year funded by the increase in the traffic fine revenues. The annual grant continues to provide funding for these three RCMP officers.



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In 2018, the Province advised the UBCM of its intention to consult with local governments about potential changes to the agreement. The Province is introducing intersection safety cameras and proposed to recover the ongoing operating cost and capital upgrade costs from the traffic fine revenues. We have been told that the traffic fine revenues will increase with the new program and that the overall revenue municipalities currently receive will not change. The Province is currently finalizing their report and it is anticipated to be released soon confirming the structure of the program.

## **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

The City's adopted 2018 Financial Plan anticipated \$475,000 in traffic fine revenue. The actual funding received of \$452,388 was \$22,612 lower than the budget based on the actual traffic fine revenues generated in the Province during the period. This revenue was generated between April 2016 to March 2017 as there is a time lag between when the revenue is generated and when it is disbursed to the municipalities.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

None.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darrin Leite, CPA, CA

**Director of Corporate Services** 

#### Attachment:

1. Provincial Amendments Proposed for Traffic Fine Agreement

#### CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S COMMENTS:

I support the recommendation.

Francis Cheung, P. Eng. Chief Administrative Officer

