



REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: **Mayor and Councillors**

Subject: *Getting to Know Langley City*
Educational Workbook

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RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the educational workbook *Getting to Know Langley City* be received for information.

PURPOSE:

To present the latest version of the *Getting to Know Langley City* educational workbook.

POLICY:

The *2017-2021 Strategic Plan* identifies communication as a Key Result Area, with a goal of communicating "effectively with our citizens...and engaging them in public life."

COMMENTS/ANALYSIS:

The educational workbook presented in this report is the latest version of an ongoing initiative between the City of Langley and School District No. 35. First developed in 2001 and updated regularly, the City and School District have collaborated on this illustrated guide to share the history and workings of the City of Langley with local students. It explains the roles and responsibilities of the Mayor and City Council, along with the various departments, and how they contribute to the community. The 24-page guide is incorporated into the Grade Five curriculum at the City's six elementary schools, with each student receiving a printed copy.

The latest version (attached) includes updates to branding, elected officials, and other information changes, but maintains the structure and general content found in previous versions.

The educational workbook is well aligned with the City of Langley's emphasis on public communication and engagement, as it builds on the connection between the City and its young residents. Through the use of accessible language, illustrative graphics, and engaging puzzles, Langley City students are introduced to the relationship between themselves, their community, and their local government. This educational opportunity may encourage them to become more involved in civic life, and speak to their parents and teachers about it as well.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

This latest educational workbook was completed at a cost of \$4,512.00, which included the printing of 1,500 copies. The project was funded under the 2018 capital improvement budget (Economic Development – Contracted Services).

ALTERNATIVES:

N.A.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Concurrence:



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Concurrence:



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Attachment:

1. *Getting to Know Langley City*

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S COMMENTS:

I support the recommendation.



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