



REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: **Mayor and Councillors**

Subject: Community Emergency Preparedness Fund Grant
Application

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From: Scott Kennedy
Fire Chief

Date: February 25, 2025

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT City Council support the grant application entitled “City of Langley Emergency Operations Centre Preparedness Project” to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) under the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund to purchase equipment, supplies and training for the Emergency Operation Centre in the amount of \$39,870.25.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to seek support from City Council to make an application to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM)’s Community Preparedness Fund for a grant to purchase equipment, supplies and training for the Emergency Operations Centre.

POLICY:

Not applicable.

COMMENTS/ANALYSIS:

As the Langley City Emergency Program (“Program”) continues to grow and build resiliency for our independent emergency program, the Program plans to create specific Emergency Operations Centre (“EOC”) bins (kits) for each function of the EOC. The Program also wishes to provide on going training for staff and volunteers working in, and in support of an EOC.

The Union of British Columbia Municipalities (“UBCM”)’s Community Preparedness Fund can assist the City of Langley’s Emergency Program to establish a more resilient program by assisting in providing equipment and training. This funding will supplement our budget to acquire additional equipment and to further our initiatives in Community Safety and Emergency Preparedness throughout the ongoing development of our own Emergency Operations Centre.

The funding requests includes the following:

Equipment

- Electronic equipment such as Ipads.
- Standardized forms, up to date maps and white boards
- Section vests and other critical section identifiers

Training Subjects for staff

- Introduction to Emergency Operations Centres
- EOC Essentials
- EOC Operations Section
- EOC Planning Section
- EOC Logistic Section
- EOC Finance Section
- EOC Applied Training
- ICS 100
- Information Officer

A request to hire a facilitator/consultant to lead an EOC tabletop exercise for City Staff is also include in this request.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

The application to the UBCM Community Preparedness Fund, Emergency Operations Centre and Training is for \$39,870.25.

ALTERNATIVES:

Not apply for a grant under the BC Community Emergency Preparedness Fund and look for funds in existing and future departments budgets.

Respectfully Submitted,



Scott Kennedy
Fire Chief

Attachment:

1. Emergency Operations Centre Equipment and Training Grant Application 2025

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S COMMENTS:

I support the recommendation.



Francis Cheung, P. Eng.
Chief Administrative Officer