
From: Derek WILLIAMS [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, May 25, 2023 11:09 AM
To: Fernando Lamanna [REDACTED]
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Subject: Township of Brock & DRP Partnership - Ontario CCTV Grant For Police

Hello Fernando,

I am sorry for the short notice. I wanted to let you know that we received approval to include the cost of the camera that we discussed last summer in the grant for 2023-2024. That is good news – pending approval from the Solicitor General.

I also wanted to reach out and see if the Township of Brock is interested in starting their own Downtown camera program or expanding or upgrading any existing cameras on any Town owned properties that would capture the public space.

As you know, for the past 3 years Durham Regional Police has been the recipient of a 50/50 cost-sharing grant from the province called the Ontario CCTV Grant For Police. Taken right from the source, "This grant program continues to help expand CCTV systems in more municipalities, as part of the Ontario Guns, Gangs and Violence Reduction Strategy (GGVRS)".

We have successfully participated in all 3 grant cycles to date. 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-2023. The program was originally intended to be a 3 year program but the government just announced recently that they are looking for applications for the 2023-2024 period on a one-time basis.

The grant encourages community partnership.

Here are some examples of how we have used the grant money over and above our own CCTV program in the past three years.

In 2020-2021 we purchased a Genetec Storage Server for our Region of Durham Traffic Engineering and Operations Centre. Previously the cameras were live view only and through this purchase it now allows them to store the 120+ cameras for 10 days which we now rely on in every major investigation.

We the DRP paid 50% and the grant reimbursed us 50%.

In 2021-2022, the Town of Whitby was included in our grant application and committed to installing and managing their own cameras in their downtown core.

They ended up purchasing and partnering with the Region's Traffic Engineering Department who installed four intersection cameras at a cost of approximately \$8,000 to the Town of Whitby - 50% of which was then reimbursed to them through DRP by the grant.

In 2021-2022, the Region of Durham Traffic Engineering Department was also included in our grant application and committed approximately \$30,000 to purchase an additional 20 traffic cameras,

allowing us to choose the installation location of 10. 50% of this cost was reimbursed back to the Region by DRP through the grant.

In 2022-2023, the City of Oshawa was included in our application and committed to expanding their CCTV program in their downtown core. They spent the full \$40,000 50% of which was reimbursed to them through DRP by the grant.

Again, for the 2023-2024 grant we have reached out to our municipalities and have secured Oshawa, Whitby and the Ajax Municipal Housing Corporation as partners for this year.

I specifically wanted to reach out to you though and see if you feel the Township could benefit from this in anyway.

For example. If the Town was willing to commit \$10,000 to cameras, \$5,000 would be reimbursed by the grant.

Any equipment, hard drives, cameras, software costs, licences, and installation costs are covered under this program.

Any expenses made between April 1, 2023 and March 31, 2023 related to those items - 50% will be reimbursed.

All that we would need before June 1, 2023 is a letter of support and the dollar amount the township would be willing to spend.

The Town of Whitby partnering with the Region's traffic engineering department was an excellent example of how this can easily be done in a very cost-effective way.

I have attached some letters of support for this year as an example.

No pressure at all. Please let us know if the Township might be interested in partnering with us over and above the DRP camera.

Thank you for considering this request,

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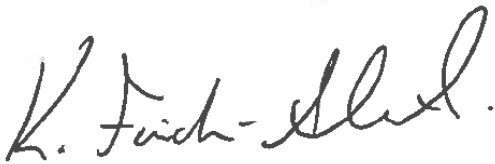
Dear Grant Committee,

I am writing to confirm the City of Oshawa's support of Durham Region Police Service's (DRPS) Support and Outreach Services (SOS) Program application.

We believe that partnership and collaboration is the most effective way to achieve common goals with respects to public safety. Establishing this network of new CCTV means investigators can call upon the community to assist in solving and preventing crime.

I am hopeful that the DRPS SOS Program request is granted and that as a result, public safety and crime prevention in the City of Oshawa will be enhanced. The City of Oshawa is committed to allocating up to a total of \$80,000 towards the Program, reimbursable at 50% of committed funds in accordance with conditions of the Grant.

Sincerely,



Kevin Finch-Alexander,
Director, Facilities Management Services

May 18, 2023

Re: Support and Outreach Services Application Grant

I am pleased to demonstrate the Town of Whitby's support with Durham Region Police Service's application to the Support and Outreach Services Grant to purchase and install CCTV cameras for use in Downtown Whitby.

The Town of Whitby is continually working on advancing the Vision of the Downtown Whitby Action Plan to create a "vibrant, viable, innovative and walkable urban destination that engages and inspires people to shop, live, work, play and connect." This plan established in 2016, builds on Town of Whitby Council Goals to "accelerate the pedestrian focus of the historic downtown cores" and to "realize the economic, cultural and social potential of the downtowns." The installation of CCTV will provide additional safety and security for residents, business and property owners and visitors in Downtown Whitby.

Supporting a reliable partner like DRPS is critically important as we work together to bring people back to public spaces safely, stimulate local economies and revitalize existing assets. Whitby has invested in its downtown by providing various financial incentive programs to support the existing historic building fabric and new residential developments. The Town is committed to continuing to develop public spaces for the enjoyment of residents, visitors and the main street business community.

The Town of Whitby supports the application and look forward to working with DRPS on this project in the near future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "S. Klein".

Sarah Klein
Director of Strategic Initiatives

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cc: Matt Gaskell, CAO
John Romano, Commissioner of Community Services
Carrie-Ann Williamson, Director of Technology and Innovation Services