



Subject: Request for Exemption to the Community Grants Policy #100-08
Report to: Thorold City Council

Recommendations

1. That the One Thorold group **BE EXEMPTED** from the procedure outlined in the Community Grants Policy # 100-08.

Key Facts

- \$10,000 was approved for One Thorold through the 2024 grant application process for indigenous events and teachings.
- The One Thorold group hosts multiple community events and teachings at Mel Swart Park.
- Allowing the group to submit receipts for monthly reimbursement will allow them to continue to offer such community gatherings and teachings.

Budgetary Status

\$10,000 was approved by Council through the Community Grants process.

Analysis

In accordance with the Community Grants process, the policy states that; "Greater than \$500, 50% is payable no later than two weeks after Council's approval of the grant allotments; and 50% payable by the completion of the season/ event, and **only upon receipt of the Final Report from the organization.**"

\$10,000 was approved for the One Thorold group through the Community Grants process, in report PWCS 36-2024 at the April 16th Council Meeting.

An exemption to Policy #100-08 will enable the Indigenous Community to submit receipts on a monthly basis, as needed, to a maximum of \$10,000. This will allow them to continue to provide community engagement, and teachings, and maintain the community garden in a respectable and presentable state.

Impact on the Environment, Climate Change

No known impacts.

Alternatives Reviewed

Doing nothing could result in program limitations, and restrict community awareness for the Indigenous Community.

Relationship to Strategic Plan

- Vibrant and Prosperous Community
 - Community Wellbeing
- Service Delivery Excellence
 - Community Engagement

Other Pertinent Reports

- PWCS 36-2024

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Appendices

Appendix 1 N/A