



Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

Memorandum to Council

Memo No.
2020-M-001



Staff



Committee

Subject:	Possible Amendment to the Donation Policy
Agenda Date:	January 9, 2020
Attachments:	Blank General Grant Application Form (property of Temagami Community Foundation)

RECOMMENDATION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive Memo 2020-M-001, possible amendment to the donation policy;

AND FURTHER THAT Council direct Staff to prepare an amendment to the donation policy for Council's consideration that includes provisions for the Municipality to act as a Qualified Donee for unincorporated Community Groups.

INFORMATION

As Council is aware, in 2019 a donation policy was prepared, discussed, and approved by Council. This policy dealt with direct cash contributions and in-kind contributions made by the Municipality.

Through discussions with the Temagami Community Foundation there is another activity that may require Council's attention. When you review their General Grant Application Form it clearly states that if the applicant is not a Charitable Organization then they would need a sponsoring organization and have noted that this could be either a Municipality or First Nation. Presently, we do not have a policy that would allow this type of transaction.

While on the surface there would be little argument to ensuring that Community Groups are the benefactors of such largess however this should be done in a manner that ensures that Council does not incur further or future costs associated with such 'flow-through' grants. Also, as we do not know the various items that may be applied for under various grant programs, Council should have the opportunity to approve applications where the Municipality of Temagami is recorded as the Sponsoring Organization to ensure there are no conflict with municipal plans.

Development of an amendment to our policy could ensure that funds are flowed in an appropriate manner to Community Groups and that the Municipality moves forward with Community Development in a structured and consistent manner.

Respectfully Submitted:
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Treasurer/Administrator