



Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

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## Memorandum to Council

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Implementation of CCTV Systems in Municipal Properties and Infrastructure</b>
<b>Agenda Date:</b>	August 8, 2024
<b>Attachments:</b>	

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami hereby approves the implementation of CCTV systems in municipal properties and infrastructure, subject to the following conditions:**

1. **Cost-Effective Implementation:** Ensure that CCTV systems are implemented within the approved budget, with solutions that are cost-effective and meet required standards.
2. **Preventative Measures:** Prioritize preventative maintenance and regular assessments to minimize long-term costs and avoid potential legal issues.
3. **Privacy and Compliance:** Comply with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA) to safeguard personal data and avoid legal repercussions.

By adopting this resolution, the municipality will enhance the security and efficiency of its infrastructure and properties while addressing regulatory requirements, privacy concerns, and budget constraints.

### **INFORMATION**

**Implementing CCTV systems in municipal infrastructure, including water treatment facilities, landfills, sewer systems, water systems, and municipal-owned properties where employees work and user interactions occur, aligns with the municipality's role and responsibilities to enhance security, safety, and operational efficiency. The advantages include:**

1. **Enhanced Security**
  - **Protection Against Vandalism and Theft:** CCTV serves as a deterrent against vandalism and theft, safeguarding valuable municipal assets and infrastructure.
  - **Monitoring Unauthorized Access:** Ensures that only authorized personnel access sensitive areas, thereby upholding the municipality's responsibility to protect its facilities.
  - **Municipal Act, 2001:** Section 8 grants municipalities the authority to enact bylaws for the protection of property, which encompasses the use of CCTV for monitoring critical infrastructure.
  - **Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHS):** Supports the municipality's duty to provide a safe working environment by monitoring potentially hazardous areas.

2. **Improved Safety**
  - **Incident Detection and Emergency Response:** CCTV systems facilitate the swift detection of accidents or hazardous conditions, enabling prompt emergency responses and aligning with the municipality's responsibility to ensure public and worker safety.
  - **Municipal Act, 2001:** Section 11 underscores the municipality's role in maintaining safe operational environments for infrastructure and properties.
  - **Fire Protection and Prevention Act (FPPA):** Supports the municipality's duty to ensure fire safety by monitoring critical areas and responding to emergencies effectively.
3. **Operational Efficiency**
  - **Remote Monitoring and Maintenance Oversight:** Enhances the municipality's ability to manage infrastructure and properties efficiently, reducing the need for on-site staff and improving response times.
  - **Municipal Act, 2001:** Section 8 supports the integration of technology to enhance the efficiency of municipal operations and responsibilities.
4. **Regulatory Compliance**
  - **Documentation and Incident Reporting:** CCTV provides essential documentation for regulatory compliance and accurate incident reporting, fulfilling the municipality's obligation to adhere to legal and operational standards.
  - **Environmental Protection Act (EPA), Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), and other relevant acts:** Assists the municipality in meeting operational and environmental standards.
  - **Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA):** Ensures compliance with privacy regulations, demonstrating the municipality's commitment to protecting personal data.
5. **Assessment and Safe Work Practices**
  - **Workplace Assessment and Safety Monitoring:** Helps the municipality fulfill its responsibility to monitor and improve workplace safety and compliance with regulations.
6. **Cost Savings**
  - **Insurance Premiums and Legal Fees:** CCTV can reduce insurance premiums and provide evidence that may mitigate legal costs, supporting the municipality's financial stewardship.
  - **Preventative Maintenance:** Identifies issues early, aligning with the municipality's goal of reducing long-term repair costs and maintaining infrastructure efficiently.
7. **Community Assurance**
  - **Public Confidence:** Demonstrates the municipality's commitment to maintaining secure and well-managed infrastructure and properties, thereby fostering public trust and confidence in municipal operations.

## **Concerns and Limitations:**

### **1. Privacy Considerations**

- **Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA):** Ensure adherence to privacy regulations to protect personal data and responsibly manage CCTV footage.

### **2. Budget Constraints**

- **Approved Budget:** Implement CCTV systems within the approved budget, focusing on cost-effective solutions and thorough financial analysis to meet the municipality's financial responsibilities.

### **3. Limitations**

- **Scope and Maintenance:** Address limitations related to system coverage, installation, and ongoing maintenance to ensure the effective operation of the CCTV systems and fulfill the municipality's operational responsibilities.

**Respectfully Submitted**

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