



COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA – SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday, November 23, 2023 at 9:30 am.

W & M Edelbrock Centre, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville

The meeting will be live streamed on YouTube at the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCx9vXkywflJr0LUVkKnYWQ>

1. ROLL CALL

Verbal roll call by the Clerk.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

THAT the Agenda and any Addendum distributed for the November 23, 2023 special meeting of Council, be approved.

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

Members of Council are required to state any pecuniary interest in accordance with the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

4. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Members of the Public in attendance are able to ask a question. If you are unable to attend and would like to submit a question, please contact us at info@dufferincounty.ca or 519-941-2816 x2500 prior to 4:30 p.m. on November 22, 2023.

5. PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATIONS OF REPORTS

5.1. 2024 Draft Budget Overview

Presentation and discussion of the 2024 draft budget
(Please click on the title below to open the draft budget package.)

- [Budget Overview](#)
- [Infrastructure and Environmental Services](#)
- [General Government Services](#)

- [Health and Human Services](#)
- [Community Development and Tourism](#)

All budget packages are available on our website at the following link:
<https://www.dufferincounty.ca/finance-and-purchasing/budget>

To request budget packages in a different format, please contact the Clerk's department at info@dufferincounty.ca or 519-941-2816 ext. 2500.

5.2. Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer's Report – Community Grant Program

A report from the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated November 23, 2023, to provide an overview of changes to the Community Grant program funding to date.

THAT the report of the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated November 23, 2023, Council Grant Program, be received.

6. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

2023-xx A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin at its meeting held on November 23, 2023.

THAT By-Law 2023-xx be read a first, second and third time and enacted.

7. ADJOURNMENT

THAT the meeting adjourn.



A community that grows together

Report To: Warden Mills and Members of County Council

Meeting Date: November 23, 2023

Subject: Community Grant Program

From: Aimee Raves, Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer

Recommendation

THAT the report of the Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer, dated November 23, 2023, Council Grant Program, be received.

Executive Summary

Over the years the Council Grant Program has remained relatively constant. This report outlines how an annual investment of \$120,000 shifted to \$192,500 over the years.

Background & Discussion

For many years the annual Council Grant Program relied on \$120,000. The table summarizes how it shifted from where it was, to where it is today.

	Pre 2015	2015	2018	2023
General Grants	\$105,000	\$105,000	\$85,000	\$95,000
Food for Thought	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$70,000
SBEC ¹	\$15,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Scholarships	\$0	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$17,500
HCIA ²	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000
Total	\$120,000	\$117,500	\$117,500	\$192,500

1. SBEC = Small Business Enterprise Centre
2. HCIA = Headwaters Community in Action

According to HCIA, the requests received over the last two years have averaged approximately \$160,000.

Financial, Staffing, Legal, or IT Considerations

Prior to 2015 an amount of \$120,000 was allocated for general grants with no specific breakdown although it traditionally included the \$15,000 grant for the Small Business Enterprise Centre. In 2015 this grant shifted to Economic Development and a new category for scholarships was added. It should be noted that the SBEC amount has grown to \$40,000.

In 2018, HCIA began administering the grant program. The existing \$117,500 was redistributed with \$10,000 from general grants being allocated towards Food for Thought grants and \$10,000 towards administrative support from HCIA. 2021 saw the addition of two additional \$2,500 scholarships to make total grants \$122,500. In 2023, Food for Thought grants was increased to \$70,000 leaving total grants at \$192,500.

At the last committee meeting Council inquired as to what the impact would be on the annual amount if inflation were applied since 2011. The 2011 amount for grants of \$120,000 would translate into \$157,000 in today's dollars. This amount is below the current \$192,500 committed to grants.

In Support of Strategic Plan Priorities and Objectives

Governance - identify opportunities to improve governance and service delivery/
improve the County's internal and external communication

Respectfully Submitted By:

Aimee Raves, CPA CMA
Manager of Corporate Finance, Treasurer

Reviewed by: Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer

CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN

BY-LAW NUMBER 2023-xx

A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN AT ITS MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 23, 2023.

WHEREAS Section 5 (1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that the powers of a municipality shall be exercised by its Council;

AND WHEREAS Section 5 (3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that municipal powers shall be exercised by by-law;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. All actions of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin at its meetings held on November 23, 2023 in respect to every report, motion, by-law, or other action passed and taken by the Council, including the exercise of natural person powers, are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed as if each report, motion, resolution or other action was adopted, ratified and confirmed by its separate by-law.
2. The Warden of the Council and the proper officers of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action, to obtain approvals where required and except where otherwise provided, to execute all documents necessary in that behalf.

READ a first, second and third time and finally passed this 23rd day of November, 2023.

Wade Mills, Warden



Michelle Dunne, Clerk