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March 23, 2026 Infrastructure and Corporate Services Committee

Re: Request for Update on Potential Funding Gaps

Dear Colleagues,

There have been growing concerns recently, across city governments regarding potential “financial cliffs” that could be facing us as a result of the expiry of short-term municipal, provincial and federal funding sources.

This request for a financial overview is for Council’s awareness regarding the overall potential impact and timing of upcoming funding needs. Although several key concerns are in the social services area, there are other areas of impact across the corporation.

Some examples that come to mind are:

- An update on the federal HAF (Housing Accelerator Funding), our 2024-2026 commitment of 2,187 units and any possible risk to the \$74M eligibility?
- Funding options after the \$1.7M (from \$25M donation) for Indwell’s highly supportive housing units at 46 Elmwood Place ends Mar/27?
- Funding options for Ark Aid’s Cronyn Warner site (\$3-4M annually) after Mar 31/27?
- Funding options for the City run Micro-Shelter Site (\$3M annually) after Mar 31/27?
- Total annual operating costs for London Cares “House of Hope” highly supportive housing. Is the current 2 year City of London contract sufficient for all 49 beds to be fully utilized?
- Interim Housing Assistance Program (IHAP) cost sharing commitments required by the City of London and funding options for after 2027?

This request for a bigger picture view of funding commitments is critical to good governance and oversight.

Understanding where we are right now and any possible funding gaps currently on the horizon for 2027 and 2028 will help Council make better informed financial decisions in 2026.

Sincerely,

Susan Stevenson
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