

Appendix A

SUGGESTION		ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Council members should have corporate credit cards		Avoid having to use personal cards – rewards on personal cards is a concern (transparency); or using personal credit room; convenience – day-to-day use; there is a corporate card for the office that can be utilized for expenses
Not in favour of members having individual credit cards		
Removal of need to ask permission from a standing committee for expenses not explicitly provided for	Avoid the bureaucracy and time required at committee;	
Prefer to submit receipts for in-town travel & car maintenance (current method)	Easy; use of maintenance funds should be better refined	
* Favour claiming mileage based on actual use	Easy; per kilometer would be more \$; some wards are geographically larger than others	
* Favour monthly vehicle allowance	Wouldn't consider requests if not on council, therefore part of role; would allow for the disenfranchised to be able to participate; for educational and/or child-based activities; any re-establishment to allow this should have checks/balances to ensure one event/organization is not receiving \$ from multiple corporate sources, and that any organization(s) is in compliance with all corporate policies	
* Want to be able to make donations and sponsor organizations and events		
* Use of funds should be what enables the fulfillment of the mandate of the councillor	Not inclined to see the connection between donations and councillor role	
* Purchase of multiple tickets, sponsorship and/or donations should not be permitted use of the expense account	\$100/month is reasonable	
Increase to advertising spending limit per year		
Advertising amounts should have limits		
The expense funds should be used to enable council members to do their jobs better	Best example so far is being able to contract/hire additional specialized assistance	
The expense funds should be for those expenditures you would not otherwise incur	Required due to role VS. a choice	
* Too early for commenting about the use of the expense account	Still on a learning curve, orienting and establishing individual priorities; Council is not limited in its review of this (or any) policy	

* indicated by multiple Members

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	CONSIDERATIONS/INFORMATION – BASED ON REVIEW OF OTHER POLICIES	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
	Most policies are developed on the premise of assisting Council Members to fulfil their roles, with a direct lens of accountability and transparency for the use of public funds.	
	Several policies prohibit the use of funds for furniture/equipment in home offices	
	Multiple policies indicate that <u>all</u> (non-consumable) assets purchased remain the property of the municipality	Rationale – the items were purchased with municipal funds.
	Some policies allow for sponsorship/donations	Most have caveats and/or dollar limits, others are limited specifically to memorial donations, in lieu of flowers
	Limitations (or exclusion) for reimbursement of secondary phone/internet	Presently members are provided with two mobile devices equipped with data as well as internet connectivity in the office, meeting rooms and chambers. There are not limits or caveats to the claims for additional service – outside office locations, home, additional devices etc.