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то:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS COMMUNITY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING ON JUNE 5, 2017
FROM:	LONDON POLICE SERVICES BOARD
SUBJECT	SAFER COMMUNITIES – 1,000 OFFICERS PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the Chief Of Police, the following actions be taken with respect to an agreement between Her Majesty The Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, The Corporation of the City of London and the London Police Services Board as it relates to the provision of funding under the Safer Communities – 1,000 Officers Partnership Program (SCOOP) for the funding of police officers:

- (a) the <u>attached</u> by-law **BE INTRODUCED** at the Municipal Council meeting on June 13, 2017 to approve the agreement noted above between Her Majesty The Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, The Corporation of the City of London and the London Police Services Board; and,
- (b) the Mayor and City Clerk **BE AUTHORIZED** to execute the said agreement on behalf of The Corporation of the City of London.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER

Contract extensions have been executed in 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014 and 2016.

BACKGROUND

On May 18, 2005 the Provincial Government announced the "Safer Communities – 1000 Officers Partnership Program" (SCOOP). This program provided \$35 Million in funding to put more officers on the street with the goal of stronger, safer, and more prosperous communities. The LPS made application under this program and secured funding for 40 Police Officers. This amounts to \$1.4 Million in revenue annually and allows for an enhancement of resources in the following areas: Community Policing (3); Youth Crime (15); Guns and Gangs (14); Organized Crime (4); and, Protecting Children from Internet Luring and Child Pornography (4).

Contract extensions have been executed in 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014, and 2016. The amendment is for the period from April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018.

It is anticipated that this grant will be replaced in 2018 by the Police Effective and Modernization Grant (PEM). There are no guarantees that the same level of funding will be maintained after April 1, 2018.

Risk Management has reviewed the Indemnification clause in the agreement and provides the following information: "The Recipient and the Board each hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Indemnified Parties from and against any and all liability, loss, costs, damages, and expenses (including legal, expert and consultant fees), causes of action, actions, claims, demands, lawsuits, or other proceedings, by whomever made, sustained, incurred, brought, or

prosecuted, in any way arising out of or in connection with the Project or otherwise in connection with the Agreement, unless solely caused by the negligence or wilful misconduct of the Indemnified Parties."

In the opinion of Corporate Insurance/Risk Management, the indemnity clause should not prevent the Board from moving forward with final approval of this agreement, as the potential benefit of the funds outweigh the associated risk from the indemnity clause.

The Recipient and the Board will mitigate risks associated with this transfer payment agreement by using the optimum level of oversight, control and discipline enabling us to manage risk in changing environments and help provide the proper level of assessment to ensure that the planning outcomes meet the necessary objectives. This will be done using clearly defined expectations of the objectives, functions, and eligibility criteria for all planning activities that are supported by this transfer payment agreement."

RECOMMENDED BY:	
John Pare M.O.M., CHIEF, LONDON POLICE SERVICE	