TO:  
CHAIR AND MEMBERS  
COMMUNITY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE  
MEETING ON DECEMBER 10, 2018

FROM:  
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MANAGING DIRECTOR, HOUSING, SOCIAL SERVICES  
AND DEARNNESS HOME

SUBJECT  
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS STRATEGY CONTRACT AWARD REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 18-43

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Housing, Social Services and Dearness Home, the following actions BE TAKEN with respect to the award of the Request for Proposal (RFP) 18-43 Implementation of Community Mental Health and Addictions Strategy:

(a) that Request for Proposal 18-43 BE AWARDED to Ivey International Centre for Health Innovation;
(b) that Civic Administration BE AUTHORIZED to undertake all administrative acts which are necessary in relation to this project; and
(c) that the approval given herein BE CONDITIONAL upon the Corporation entering into a Purchase of Service Agreement with Ivey International Centre for Health Innovation.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER

- London for All: A Roadmap to End Poverty (SPPC: April 18, 2016)
- London for All Update: First 12 Month Recommendations and Development of the Implementation Body (CPSC: November 15, 2016)
- Update on Mental Health and Addictions Strategy (CPSC: January 24, 2017)
- Community Mental Health and Addictions Strategy (CPSC: September 12, 2017)
- Community Mental Health and Addictions Strategy: Moving Forward Together (CPSC: December 5, 2017)

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to recommend that the City of London enter into an agreement with Ivey International Centre for Health Innovation at a cost of $111,974 to implement the Community Mental Health and Addictions Strategy that was presented to Council in December 2017.

2015-2019 Strategic Plan called for the development of a Community Mental Health and Addictions Strategy as part of the Plan’s key focus on Strengthening our Community: caring and compassionate services and the elimination of “barriers for individuals facing poverty, mental health and addictions and help them find pathways to be successful.”

On December 12, 2017 City Council received an information report from the Managing Director, Housing, Social Services and Dearness Home regarding the completion of the Community Mental Health and Addictions Strategy for London: Moving Forward Together report.

At the same meeting, City Council further resolved the following:

the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer BE DIRECTED to allocate remaining budgetary funds at the end of 2017, estimated at approximately $112,000, towards implementation activities of the Community Mental Health and Addictions Strategy for London; and,

it BE NOTED that the Diversity, Inclusion and Anti-oppression Advisory Committee and the Accessibility Advisory Committee will be specifically included, in addition to other various stakeholders, in the on-going consultation related to the implementation activities.
PROCUREMENT PROCESS

Request for Proposal 18-43 was released on September 24, 2018 through Purchasing and Supply, Finance and Corporate Services, and was posted to bids&tenders with a closing date of October 15, 2018.

In addition to publicly posting the RFP, the proposal was circulated to groups involved in Mental Health and Addictions work.

The RFP was downloaded by three (3) interested parties and two (2) submissions were received. The upper limit for the budget was disclosed at $112,000.

An internal evaluation team reviewed and evaluated the submissions taking into consideration the organizations’ qualifications; competence and experience; proposed scope of work; work plan; and experience on directly related projects as outlined in RFP 18-43. The Evaluation Team found Ivey International Centre for Health Innovation to be the Successful Proponent after they scored the highest.

Over the next year, Ivey International Centre for Health Innovation together with a co-lead (which is still to be identified), will assemble an inter-disciplinary advisory committee comprised of Mental Health & Addictions service providers, funders, Indigenous and cultural groups, and people with lived experience to guide and oversee progress. Two large community working group meetings will be held, and several work groups will be formed around specific deliverables to be achieved within the one-year timeline.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Council approved $200,000 towards the creation of the Community Mental Health and Addictions Strategy, $100,000 to be used in 2016 and $100,000 in 2017. $88,000 was put towards the development of the Community Mental Health and Addictions Strategy which was completed in 2017. The remaining funds of $112,000 will be directed towards the implementation work covered through this current RFP. The remaining funds available include 50% funding from the Province and 50% funding from the Social Services Reserve Fund.

CONCLUSION

The implementation of a Community Mental Health and Addictions Strategy for London at a systems-level will assist vulnerable residents and the community organizations that serve them. The successful implementation of the strategy will be dependent on the community working together.

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