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The Regional Municipality of Durham Report

To: Health and Social Services Committee
From: Commissioner of Social Services
Report: #2024-SS-5
Date: May 9, 2024

Subject:

Unbudgeted One-Time Provincial funding from the Ministry of Long-Term Care the Four (4) Regional Municipality of Durham Long Term Care Homes.

Recommendation:

That the Health and Social Services Committee recommends to Regional Council:

- A) That the one-time unbudgeted Provincial funding from the Ministry of Long-Term Care in the amount of \$2,153,921, be expended in accordance with the program guidelines; and
- B) That the following unbudgeted capital projects related to the Region's Long-Term Care Homes in the estimated amount of \$2,153,921 be approved and financed from Provincial Subsidy:

Long-Term Care Homes	(\$)
Flooring Replacement – Hillsdale Estates	762,900
Parking Lot Replacement – Hillsdale Terraces	508,600
7 Tub Replacements – Fairview Lodge	220,000
Kitchen Renovations – Fairview Lodge	200,000
Combination Oven Replacement – Fairview Lodge	45,000
21 Laundry Cart Replacements – Fairview Lodge	28,414
Bariatric Stretcher – Fairview Lodge	10,100
Parking Lot Replacement – Lakeview Manor	296,907
Carpet Tile Replacement – Lakeview Manor	50,000
Main Hall Flooring – Lakeview Manor	20,000
Accessible Walkway – Lakeview Manor	12,000
TOTAL	<u>2,153,921</u>

Report:**1. Purpose**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide details and seek Regional Municipality of Durham (Region) Council approval to undertake unbudgeted capital works at the Region's four (4) Long-Term Care Homes (LTCH) to be financed by one-time unbudgeted revenue from the Ministry of Long-Term Care (MLTC).

2. Background

- 2.1 On March 28, 2024, Social Services staff received notice from MLTC outlining the Region's LTCH's were to receive one-time funding in the amount of \$2,543 for each of the Region's 847 approved beds, for a total of \$2,153,921.
- 2.2 Each long-term care home was required to submit an attestation form confirming they understood and will abide by the funding terms and conditions by April 12, 2024.

3. Purpose of Funding

- 3.1 The Ministry of Long-Term Care issuance of this one-time funding is intended to provide financial support for long-term care homes to help relieve financial pressures and address key priorities. Use of the funds can include addressing deferred maintenance and proceeding with (re)development projects.
- 3.2 The funding can be applied against eligible expenditures in accordance with the Ministry Guidelines for Eligible Expenditures for Long-Term Care Homes.
- 3.3 Long-term Care staff, in consultation with the Works Department – Facilities Management, have reviewed their state of good repair and capital replacement forecasts and have identified advancing a number of capital items that will best address pending financial pressures / deferred maintenance items.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 Section 11.1 of the Region's Budget Management Policy, Unanticipated revenues in excess of \$1,000,000, and the proposed expenditure plan, require approval of the appropriate Standing Committee and Regional Council prior to the expenditure of funding.
- 4.2 Section 14.2 of the Budget Management Policy requires the approval of the Treasurer and C.A.O. and the applicable Standing Committee and Regional Council to approve unbudgeted capital expenditures in excess of \$50,000.
- 4.3 The estimated cost of unbudgeted capital projects outlined in this report is \$2,153,921 and is detailed as follows:

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5. Relationship to Strategic Plan

5.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:

- a. Goal 4: Social Investment – To ensure a range of programs, services and supports are available and accessible to those in need, so that no individual is left behind.
- b. Goal 5: Service Excellence – To provide exceptional value to Durham taxpayers through responsive, effective, and fiscally sustainable service delivery.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 It is recommended that the Regional Municipality of Durham receive the additional unbudgeted Provincial funding from MLTC in the amount of \$2,153,921 as supplementary to the 2024 Business Plans and Budget.
- 6.2 It is recommended that the unbudgeted capital projects related to the Region's Long-Term Care Homes as outlined in this report be approved.
- 6.3 This report was reviewed by the Finance Department and the Commissioner of Finance concurs with the financial recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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Commissioner of Social Services

Recommended for Presentation to Committee

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