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YORK REGION EMS QUEENSVILLE STATION LEASE EXTENSION AGREEMENT

The Finance and Administration Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendations contained in the following report, March 2, 2006, from the Commissioner of Corporate Services:

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. Regional Council authorize a lease extension agreement for the existing Emergency Medical Services (EMS) facility located in Queensville and consisting of 957 square feet, to be extended for a one-year term as of January 1, 2006 with a renewal option for a further one-year term.
2. The Regional Chair and the Regional Clerk be authorized to sign the necessary agreement with the Town of East Gwillimbury for leased space, subject to review by Legal Services.
3. The Commissioner of Corporate Services be authorized to sign the renewal option for a further one-year term.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to obtain authorization from Regional Council to renew the existing lease agreement to continue the required EMS operation in Queensville.

3. BACKGROUND

EMS is currently leasing this facility to ensure the ability to accommodate equipment, personnel and supplies for this part of the Region, in order to meet the emergency response needs of the residents.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

The lease extension for this current location will facilitate the requirements of the EMS operation in Queensville until such time as a new station is completed.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Property Services staff have entered into negotiations with the landlord and have reached an agreement, whereby rent will be \$9,888.00 per annum.

Table 1
Lease Cost Analysis

Current Annual Lease Cost	Proposed Annual Lease Cost	Terms and Conditions
\$9,600.00	\$9,888.00	Commencing on January 1, 2006, for a one-year term, with one further one-year renewal option

This lease agreement complies with the Region's policy relating to financing leases contained in the Capital Financing and Debt Policy approved by Council, in January 2003.

Approval of this lease agreement requires that appropriate funds be set aside from the 2006 EMS budget.

6. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

The residents of Queensville will receive continued emergency medical services from this existing facility.

7. CONCLUSION

The EMS Branch requires the existing lease to be continued at this location to ensure the ability to accommodate equipment, personnel and supplies in order to meet the emergency response and reliability needs of the residents in this part of the Region.

EMS is reviewing its capital requirements pertaining to a new EMS station in Queensville. This lease would continue until such time as the Capital Strategy is finalized.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.