

19

EMS KESWICK STATION LEASE EXTENSION AGREEMENT

The Finance and Administration Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendations contained in the following report, May 1, 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 Keswick, in the Town of Georgina and consisting of 1,340 square feet, to be extended for a one-year term as of July 1, 2006, with two one-year renewal options for two further one-year terms.
2. The Regional Chair and the Regional Clerk be authorized to sign the necessary agreement with the Town of Georgina for leased space, subject to review by Legal Services.
3. The Commissioner of Corporate Services be authorized to sign the renewal options for two further one-year terms.

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 operations in Keswick.

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 Town of Georgina.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

The lease extension for this location will facilitate the requirements of the EMS operations in Keswick until such time as a new station is constructed on adjacent land owned by the Region.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Property Services staff have entered into negotiations with the landlord (the Town of Georgina) and have reached an agreement whereby the annual rent for the Keswick station will be \$18,280.00.

Table 1
Lease Cost Analysis

Station	Current Annual Lease Costs	Proposed Annual Lease Costs	Terms and Conditions
Keswick	\$17,921	\$18,280	Commencing on July 1, 2006, for a one-year term, with two further one-year renewal options

This lease extension 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 extension agreement requires that appropriate funds be set aside from the 2006 EMS budget. Such funds will be allocated from the 2006 EMS Operating Budget.

6. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

The Town of Georgina 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 Keswick. This lease would continue until such time as the Capital Strategy is finalized.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.