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CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT – AIDED DISPATCH SYSTEMS FOR FIRE SERVICES

The Finance and Administration Committee recommends:

- 1. receipt of the letter dated May 29, 2008 from Connie Phillipson, Executive Director, York Police Services Board;**
- 2. the adoption of the recommendation contained in the following report, May 29, 2008, from the Commissioner of Finance; and**
- 3. the inclusion of the following recommendation 2:**
 - 2. Staff report back to the Committee's meeting of October 2, 2008 with an update on considerations relating to the provision of central dispatch services.**

1. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council amend the 2008 capital budget to include an additional Police Services project related to Computer Aided Dispatch Systems for Fire Services in the amount of \$878,000 to be fully recovered from external sources.

2. PURPOSE

This report is to request an amendment to the 2008 capital budget to add a project for a Computer Aided Dispatch system for the Police Services Board, which will be funded by external resources.

3. BACKGROUND

Request from the Police Services Board

Attached is a request from the Police Services Board to amend the 2008 capital budget to include an additional project for the Sharing of Computer Aided Dispatch System with Vaughan and Richmond Hill Fire Services. The capital project will be fully funded by the two Fire Services departments so there will be no requirement for Regional funding for this project.

The attached report provides background information regarding the value of this project and also indicates that future operating costs will be covered by Richmond Hill and Vaughan Fires Services.

Council approval is required to increase the budget to reflect this additional spending requirement.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The capital budget for Police Services will be increased by \$878,000, offset by revenues from the municipal fire services resulting in no additional Regional funding requirement.

The two Fire Services Departments will also make on-going annual payments for the support of the system.

5. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

The impacts will be a cost-effective computer aided dispatch system for each of the two fire departments involved in this project through a leveraging of the value of the Police system..

7. CONCLUSION

This capital project will provide a cost effective computer-aided dispatch solution to Richmond Hill and Vaughan Fire Services departments by leveraging the existing Police Services system. All costs of development and on-going support will be recovered from the two fire departments.

For more information on this report, please contact Lloyd Russell, Commissioner of Finance at Ext. 1600.

(The attachment referred to in this clause is attached to this report.)