

APPROVAL REPORT

City Council Car Allowance - 2023

ISSUE

Council [Policy C01-006](#), Remuneration – Members of City Council, allocates a car allowance for City Councillors to conduct City business. As a result, this report provides a summary of 2023 car allowance expenses for City Councillors. It also provides a summary of the Mayor's car allowance expenses for 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Governance and Priorities Committee:

- 1) approve the allocation of car allowance expenditures for 2023; and
- 2) forward this report to City Council for information, in accordance with Council Policy No. C01-023, *City Councillors' Travel and Training*.

BACKGROUND

Since 2005, Councillors have been reimbursed for use of their personal vehicle for City business, based on a per kilometre reimbursement equal to the automobile allowance rates set by the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) for tax-exempt allowances for the use of personal vehicles.

Further, since 2017's reporting, the annual posting of car allowance expenditures and travel and training expenditures for members of City Council to the City's website has been to the same level of detail as currently provided for in City Council's Communications and Constituency Relations Allowance. In this regard, this report will be posted accordingly.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

The CRA rate for 2023 was \$0.68/km for the first 5,000 kilometers driven and \$0.62/km driven thereafter.

The following are the car allowance expenditures for 2023 for each Councillor.

Total Amount Budgeted	\$	15,000.00
Total Amount Spent	\$	12,395.65

Individual Councillor Expenditures

C. Block	\$	453.86
T. Davies	\$	1,679.60
R. Donauer	\$	615.40
B. Dubois	\$	3,085.84
S. Gersher	\$	1,140.45
H. Gough	\$	0.00

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D. Hill	\$	1,027.62
Z. Jeffries	\$	2,004.64
D. Kirton	\$	2,388.24
M. Loewen	\$	0.00

Also provided is the following summary from the Mayor's Office for 2023:

Total Amount Budgeted: (for Mayor's Office, including staff)	\$	2,000.00
Total Amount Spent (Mayor only):	\$	183.98

Report Approval

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