

ADDENDUM

BUDGET MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

2008 04 30

3:00 P.M.

7. **2008 Capital From Current - Bellevue Marina Ticket Dispenser**

A report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer is attached for the consideration of Council.

Mover - Councillor L. Turco

Seconder - Councillor B. Hayes

Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer dated 2008 04 28 concerning 2008 Capital From Current - Bellevue Marina Ticket Dispenser be accepted and the recommendation that Council approve the purchase of a pay and display ticket dispenser for \$8,000.00 and the funding be provided from the Marina Reserve be approved.

8. **Accountability Agreements for Outside Agencies**

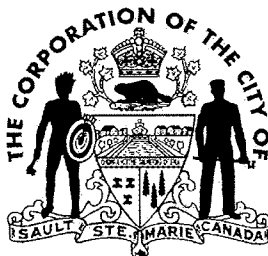
A report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer is attached for the consideration of Council.

Mover - Councillor L. Tridico

Seconder - Councillor P. Mick

Resolved that the report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer dated 2008 04 28 concerning Accountability Agreements for Outside Agencies be accepted and the recommendation that Council approve the Sault Ste. Marie Economic Development Corporation and the Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre entering into an accountability agreement with the City for the purpose of demonstrating the community benefits of City funding to their organizations be approved.

William Freiburger, CMA
Commissioner of Finance
and Treasurer



Finance Department

2008 04 30

Mayor John Rowswell and
Members of City Council

Re: 2008 Capital from Current – Bellevue Marina Ticket Dispenser

The attached request for \$8,000 from the Community Services Department was not included in our summary.

RECOMMENDATION

The request to purchase a pay and display ticket dispenser for \$8,000 be approved and the funding be provided from the Marina Reserve.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Freiburger, CMA
Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer

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attachment

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

Joseph M. Fratesi
Chief Administrative Officer

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SAULT STE. MARIE

Capital from Current & Supplementary Items Request Form – 2008 Current Budget

Department : Community Services Department

Cost Centre : Bellevue Marina 639-020

Description of Request :

- In 1996, the city of Sault Ste. Marie began charging a fee at the boat launch at Bellevue Marina. In 1997, a pay and display ticket dispenser was purchased for the boat launch in order to expedite the collection of launch fees. In 2007, \$8,738 was collected at the boat launch. In August of 2007, the ticket dispenser controller malfunctioned and could not be repaired. Efforts to replace the controller were not successful because of the age of the unit. A new ticket dispenser is required. It is recommended that a new dispenser be purchased from the same company that supplied the original dispenser since it can be accommodated into the existing infrastructure. Purchasing a unit from an entirely different company would mean replacing the entire structure at significantly higher cost. The ticket dispenser eliminates the need to have a staff person stationed at the boat launch to collect fees and therefore over time saves significant dollars. Staff are normally stationed at the fuel dock kiosk which is on the opposite side of the Marina from the boat launch. It is very inconvenient for boaters without a working ticket dispenser.

Impact of not Funding this Request : Requires more staff to man the launch and inconveniences the public. The dispenser facilitates the collection of fees for both the public and staff.

One Time or On-going Cost : One time

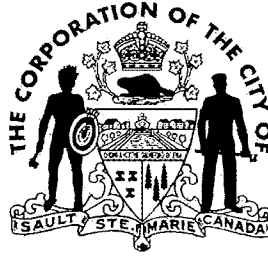
Priority : High

Estimated Net Cost of Request : \$8000

Prepared by : Joe Cain, Manager Recreation & Culture Div

Approved by : 

William Freiburger, CMA
Commissioner of Finance
and Treasurer



Finance Department

2008 04 30

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Re: Accountability Agreements for Outside Agencies

At the April 11, 2008 meeting of the Finance Committee, the following resolution was discussed.

March 8, 2007 Resolution

Moved By: Councillor T. Sheehan
Seconded By: Councillor S. Butland

Whereas the City of Sault Ste. Marie contributes millions of dollars in funding to "outside agencies" each year; and

Whereas many governments have agreements in place with "outside agencies" to assure that taxpayers are receiving value for the dollars that are being spent;

Now therefore be it resolved that City Council request that the Finance Committee report back to Council on how the City may incorporate iron clad Accountability Agreements as one of the requirements for providing taxpayer fund to "outside agencies".

City staff had outlined the accountability procedures included in the Financial Assistance Policy. At the Finance Committee meeting, Councillor Terry Sheehan stated that the resolution related to organizations outside of those covered under the Financial Assistance Policy.

Outside agencies were defined as those organizations where the City is a major funding partner. The Economic Development Corporation and the Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre were identified as outside agencies that should be subject to an accountability agreement.

The Finance Committee supports the Council resolution and recommends that the Economic Development Corporation and the Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre develop benchmarks on its programs and services to demonstrate the community benefits of City funding to their organizations.

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Process

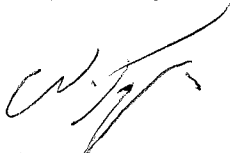
The outside agency would annually develop and present program and service benchmarks to the Finance Committee for approval that demonstrate the community benefit of City funding to their organization. The approval of the benchmarks would constitute the accountability agreement. In the following year, the outside agency would review the previous year's results and provide explanations for benchmark variations. The program and service benchmarks would be forwarded to Council for approval.

Staff will work with outside agencies to determine timing and format of the presentations.

RECOMMENDATION

The Sault Ste. Marie Economic Development Corporation and the Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre be requested to enter into an accountability agreement with the City for the purpose of demonstrating the community benefits of City funding to their organizations.

Respectfully submitted,



W. Freiburger, CMA
Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer

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RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

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