SUBJECT: Remuneration and expenses paid to Council and appointees for 2017

TO: Committee of the Whole

FROM: Finance Department

Report Number: F-04-18
Wards Affected: All
File Numbers: 325-02
Date to Committee: February 26, 2018
Date to Council: March 19, 2018

Recommendation:

Purpose:
An Engaging City
- Good Governance

Background and Discussion:
It is a requirement of the Municipal Act that a report be submitted to Council on remuneration and expenses paid to Councillors and appointees to local boards by March 31, of the following year.

Accordingly, under the provision of Section 284(1) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, Chapter c.25, the attached itemized statement (Appendix A) is submitted disclosing remuneration and expenses for each Member of Council and Appointed Members of our Local Boards for the year ended December 31, 2017.

284.(1) The treasurer of a municipality shall in each year on or before March 31 provide to the council of the municipality an itemized statement on remuneration and expenses paid in the previous year to,
(a) each member of council in respect of his or her services as a member of the council or any other body, including a local board, to which the member has been appointed by council or on which the member holds office by virtue of being a member of council;

(b) each member of council in respect of his or her services as an officer or employee of the municipality or other body described in clause (a); and

(c) each person, other than a member of council, appointed by the municipality to serve as a member of any body, including a local board, in respect of his or her services as a member of the body. 2001, c. 25, s. 284 (1).

As required by Section 284 (2), City of Burlington By-law 129-2006 was passed authorizing the attached remuneration and expenses (Appendix A).

In 2017, each Councilor had a budget of $9,000 to cover expenditures such as meetings, printing, mileage, newsletters, postage, professional development, telephones and advertising.

In 2017, each Councilor had a budget of $5,000 to cover community event expenditures. In accordance with the Corporate Policy on Use of Resources during an Election, which was presented to Committee of the Whole on October 30, 2017 as Appendix B of Report CL-17-17, these amounts are to be reported on annually.

In 2017, the Mayor had a budget of $24,575 to cover similar expenditures to those listed above, excluding the costs of leasing a vehicle for business use.

In 2017, the Mayor received remuneration of $7,844 from the Association of Municipalities Ontario.

**Strategy/process**

Detailed information regarding members of council expenses is provided on the City’s website for the period as of June 30th and subsequently updated as of December 31st.

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**Financial Matters:**

Not applicable.

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**Conclusion:**

This report is for information only, and as required by the Municipal Act, section 284(1).
Respectfully submitted,

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Appendices:

A. 2016 Summary of Remuneration and Expenses

Report Approval:

All reports are reviewed and/or approved by Department Director, Director of Finance and Director of Legal. Final approval is by the City Manager.