



The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh

Chief Administrative Officer

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Margaret Misek-Evans, Chief Administrative Officer

Date to Council: April 7, 2022

Report Number: CAO-2022-04

Subject: Tecumseh 100th Anniversary – Legion Mural Project

Recommendations

It is recommended:

That Chief Administrative Officer Report No. CAO-2022-04, respecting the Tecumseh 100th Anniversary Celebration – Legion Mural Project, **be received**;

And that By-law 2022-019, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to execute an agreement with Derkz Murals and Fine Art Inc. for the purposes of creating a mural as an artistic memorial, satisfactory in form and content to the Town's Solicitor, **be adopted**;

And further that By-law 2022-020, being a by-law to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to execute an agreement with the Royal Canadian Legion, Colonel Paul Poisson, Branch 261 (Legion), satisfactory in form and content to the Town's Solicitor, for the painting and display of the mural on the Legion's building located at 12326 Lanoue Street, Tecumseh **be adopted**.

Background

As Council is aware, the Mayor's 100th Anniversary Task Force has been planning the three-day anniversary celebration scheduled for July 2 – 4, 2022 within the approved event budget. One of the legacy projects that the Task Force has planned is a mural that honours Colonel / Dr. Paul Poisson, the Town's first Mayor.

Colonel / Dr. Paul Poisson was elected after serving Canada in the First World War. He served one term as Mayor from 1922 to 1926 and later went on to represent Tecumseh in the Provincial Legislature as a Member of Provincial Parliament where he subsequently rose to Cabinet Stature from 1931 to 1934 as Minister without portfolio. Colonel / Dr. Poisson continued to serve in the Canadian military for 41 years, retiring at the rank of Colonel in 1945.

Comments

In honour of the Town's first mayor, Colonel / Dr. Paul Poisson, a mural is being commissioned. The artistic design of the mural intends to pay tribute to those who have served in the Canadian Armed Forces with depictions of military personnel in battle and will also acknowledge the 100th Anniversary of the Poppy by incorporating the colour red and the poppy throughout the design.

David Derkatz, of Derkz Murals and Fine Art Inc. (Derkz), is a local multi-disciplinary artist known for large-scale murals, integrating graffiti and fine art using vivid and energetic methods. One of his murals is one of Canada's largest healthcare murals, located near Windsor Regional Hospital on a building at the corner of Tecumseh Road East and Walker Road. Administration has been working with Derkz on the design for the mural. A draft agreement has been prepared that sets out the terms and conditions with Derkz to complete the mural. The draft agreement has been reviewed by the Town's Solicitor and the finalized document forms Schedule 1 to By-law No. 2022-019.

By-Law 2017-63, being a bylaw to govern procurement policies and procedures provides for single/sole sourcing in Section 3.3. This section provides for securing goods or services with one source of supply, on the recommendation of the Department Director with consideration for cost effectiveness or benefit to the Town. Where the expenditure does not exceed \$100,000, approval authority rests with the Department Director and Purchasing Coordinator or CAO, and authority has been granted, accordingly.

The building located at 12326 Lanoue Street is owned by the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 261, (Legion), which is named after Colonel Paul Poisson. The Legion building has been identified as the preferred location for a mural in honour of the Town's first Mayor as it is located in a high traffic area and is a well-known facility in the area used by many in the community for different activities such as celebrations, sports leagues and weekly dinner socials.

An agreement has been prepared that sets out details for the roles and responsibilities for the Town and the Legion as they relate to the mural. This includes the Town's responsibility for the overall project including funding the artist, the equipment, materials and supplies. The Legion will be responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the mural on their building. The final agreement, as reviewed by the Town's Solicitor, forms Schedule 1 to By-law No. 2022-020.

Consultations

Financial Services
Legislative Services & Clerk

Financial Implications

The 100th Anniversary celebration event is included in the 2022 approved municipal budget. The mural project, as quoted by Derkz Murals and Fine Art Inc., including all supplies, lift equipment, power washing, priming, labour, and anti-graffiti clear coat sealer is \$30,000 plus HST. This has been planned for within the event's approved budget.

The Task Force has been successful in securing a \$10,000 grant through the Veterans Affairs Canada Commemorative Partnership Program, Community War Memorial Funding program to support this initiative. In addition, it has secured a \$20,195 grant in partnership with the Tecumseh BIA for community murals, of which \$18,500 will directly support the Legion mural. Furthermore, a corporate sponsorship of \$4,000 from the University of Windsor has been confirmed to support this project.

Link to Strategic Priorities

Applicable	2019-22 Strategic Priorities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Make the Town of Tecumseh an even better place to live, work and invest through a shared vision for our residents and newcomers.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ensure that Tecumseh’s current and future growth is built upon the principles of sustainability and strategic decision-making.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Integrate the principles of health and wellness into all of Tecumseh’s plans and priorities.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Steward the Town’s “continuous improvement” approach to municipal service delivery to residents and businesses.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Demonstrate the Town’s leadership role in the community by promoting good governance and community engagement, by bringing together organizations serving the Town and the region to pursue common goals.

Communications

Not applicable

Website

Social Media

News Release

Local Newspaper

This report has been reviewed by Senior Administration as indicated below and recommended for submission by the Chief Administrative Officer.

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Attachment Number	Attachment Name
None	None