



County of Haliburton

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STAFF REPORT

To: Warden and Members of Haliburton County Council
Prepared By: Michael Rutter, CAO/Clerk
Re: Community Safety and Well-Being Plan - Request for Proposal Evaluation
Date: January 27, 2021

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that Haliburton County Council receive the January 27, 2021 staff report detailing the evaluation process for the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Request for Proposal; and

That the project be awarded to Strategy Corp. at their quoted fee of \$69,750 plus disbursements and applicable taxes; and

That the local municipalities be notified of their revised share of the costs for the project.

Background:

On September 23, 2020 Haliburton County Council approved a Request for Proposal document for consulting services to assist in the development of a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan for the County of Haliburton.

The goal of CSWB planning is to achieve the ideal state of sustainable community where everyone is safe, has a sense of belonging, access to services, and where individuals and families can meet their needs for education, health care, food, housing, income and social and cultural expression.

Six (6) proposals were received from:

- Arising
- Awareity
- Barnes Management Group
- Person Community Solutions
- Point in Time
- Strategy Corp

The Evaluation Team consisted of the Mayors of each of the local municipalities who are the members of the Community Policing Advisory Committee (CPAC) and the Warden. The Team was supported by Tanya Rosenberg, Payroll/Financial Analyst and the CAO/Clerk.

As directed by County Council, the proposals were evaluated based on the following submission criteria:

- Experience and Qualifications (40%)
- Response to Scope of Work (45%)
- Pricing (15%)

Analysis:

Although there were a number of quality submissions, Strategy Corp stood out for a number of reasons:

- Overall approach to the project;
- An engagement plan with stakeholders that will be tailored to meaningfully secure input and buy-in from the local community, and will include small consultation sessions with local municipal Councils and CAO's.
- Completion of similar projects;
- Experience and qualifications of project team, including experience in developing the provincial legislation behind CSWB plans and new police Detachment Boards; and
- Previous experience with small and rural municipalities, including Haliburton County.

Financial Impact:

A significant range of pricing was received, with prices ranging from \$11,200 (USD) to \$86,000. Disbursements were in addition to these fees.

On July 22, 2020, County Council agreed to fund 50% of this study, with the balance to be funded equally by the four local municipalities. The County portion of the study will be funded from the Cannabis Legalization Implementation Funding.

Reviewed/Approved By:

Councillor Carol Moffatt - Chair, CSWB Planning Steering Committee