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GRANTS AND PROGRAMS COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 15, 2016, 9:00am – 12:00pm

Present:	Antoine Belaieff Deb Doncaster Councillor Sarah Doucette Jenn Miller Sandra Odendahl (Acting Chair) Ravi Seethapathy (by phone) Andre Vallillee	Staff:	Ian Klesmer Julia Langer Mary Pickering Bryan Purcell
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Regrets: Corey Diamond (Chair)

1. Welcome, introductions, acknowledgments
2. Review of Agenda. *Agenda approved.*
3. Declarations of Interest pursuant to the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.
 - *There were no conflicts with respect to the grant proposals under consideration.*
4. The Committee received an update on the consolidated Grants and Programs Budget.
5. Grant request (for recommendation):

Veritas – EV Sales in Ontario: Breaking the Dealership Bottleneck – \$19,200 over four months

The Committee invited the applicant to resubmit an updated grant proposal which sets out a comprehensive research methodology and a clear plan for advancing any policy recommendations emerging from the research.

6. Grant request (for recommendation):

YMCA – Embodied Carbon in Construction Materials – \$30,000 over five months

The Committee recommended a grant of up to \$30,000 over five months to perform a life cycle analysis (LCA) on two YMCA developments currently under design. The results will be used to help inform lower-carbon material selection for these buildings and to educate Toronto's design community and building owners regarding the potential of LCA to lead to lower carbon buildings.

7. Proposed guidelines for funding the City of Toronto (for input):

The Committee endorsed the guidelines proposed by staff and suggested further actions for consideration, including:

- Organizing a roundtable with senior City staff and City Councillors on the Parks and Environment Committee/TAF Board to discuss strategies to help the City make best use of the supports that TAF has to offer.
- Prior to inviting a grant proposal, seeking confirmation from senior City staff that external funding is necessary to move the proposed initiative forward (i.e., that all internal sources have been evaluated and none found).
- Ensuring that the proposed funding guidelines are applied to City-related Agencies, Boards and Commissions as well.

8. Internal program allocation request (for input):

Exploring the GHG Impact of Microtransit – \$10,000 over three months

The Committee supported this request and suggested that the scoping report consider how microtransit solutions might address social equity issues such as mobility access for low-income populations.

9. Internal program allocation request (for input):

TransformTO Modelling Advisory Group Facilitation Services – \$20,800 over seven months

The Committee supported this request and suggested that TAF be actively involved in shaping the facilitation plan to ensure that the meetings with the Modelling Advisory Group lead to the desired outputs.

10. Internal program allocation request (for input):

Towards Net Zero: Toronto Green Standard Version 3 – \$25,000 over five months

The Committee supported the request and advised TAF to consider how TGS Version 3 could influence building policy at the provincial level. The Committee also suggested that TAF consider other opportunities to support implementation of Ontario's Climate Action Plan.

11. Updates on completed grants and the CEGN Annual Conference (for information):

The updates were received for information.

12. Other business

TAF staff updated the Committee on the negotiation of the Provincial Transfer Payment Agreement and the potential implications for the Committee, and invited Committee members to attend the TransformTO Modelling Advisory Group meetings as observers. The first meeting date is July 19, 2016.

Next meeting: September 9, 2016, City Hall, Meeting Room A, 9:00am-12:00pm