The Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board

Public Board Meeting February 22, 2023

Report of the Chief of Police

Installations on Radio Communication Towers

1. Recommendation

That the Board receive this annual report for information pursuant to the Police Services Board Installation on Radio Communication Towers Policy No. 02/09.

2. Summary

In accordance with Board policy, the status of the 2022 Communication Tower Agreements is to be provided to the Board within the first quarter of 2023.

In 2022, there was one change to the existing Board Agreements. For 2023, the Board will continue to retain five communication tower agreements with six licensee firms from 2022, namely Bell Mobility; The Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP); Rogers Wireless; Sitecom Services; and Vianet (Canadian Wireless).

At the end of 2022, Alectra Utilities vacated the Hope tower site and terminated their lease after adopting a new technology that did not require this particular site any further.

A net revenue of \$197,063.35 was realized by the Board in 2022 for these installations.

3. Background

The Board realizes revenue by granting telecommunications companies and their telecom users licenses to install telecommunications equipment by third parties on Regional Municipality of York property at the tower sites owned by the Board.

All agreements auto-renew, however all agreements are subject to the terms, conditions and fees of the Installations on Radio Communication Towers Policy No. 02/09 which was last amended March 27, 2019.

4. Analysis

COMMUNICATION TOWER CONTRACT STATUS AND REVENUE BY LOCATION

The Board owns three tower sites which are located in King City, Whitchurch-Stouffville and Maple. Two of the sites currently accommodate third party tenants.

The following chart provides the relevant details associated to the various contracts

Table 1
Communication Tower Contract Status and Revenue by Location

Tenant	Contract End Date	Tower	2022 Revenue
Alectra	December 31, 2022	Норе	\$31,175
Bell Mobility	April 30, 2024	King	\$45,028
RCMP	December 15, 2025	King	\$29,970
Rogers	April 30, 2024	King	\$28,316
Sitecom	April 30, 2024	King	\$21,271
Vianet	December 31, 2024	King	\$41,303
Total			\$197,063

5. Financial

Revenues of \$190,000 were included in the 2022 Operating budget for user licences to install telecommunications equipment at owned tower sites. These revenues are used to reduce overall costs of policing to the taxpayer.

6. Conclusion

It is therefore recommended that this report be received in accordance with the Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board Installations on Radio Communication Towers Policy No. 02/09.

Accessible formats or communication supports are available upon request.

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