

Municipality Of Chatham-Kent

Finance, Budget, Information Technology & Transformation

Financial Services

Information Report

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Matt Torrance, MBA, CPA, CGA
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Date: February 16, 2021

Subject: 2020 Record of Payment to Council-Owned Vendors

This report is for the information of Council.

Background

Council approved the following recommendations at the February 11, 2019 Council meeting:

1. Council authorize Administration to process payment for any future purchases in compliance with Chatham-Kent's Purchasing By-law for services rendered during this Council term to Glassroots Media operating as Sydenham Current owned by Councillor Aaron Hall.
2. Council authorize Administration to process payment for any future purchases in compliance with Chatham-Kent's Purchasing By-law for services rendered during this Council term to Authier Print & Promotional Products owned by Councillor Mark Authier.
3. Council authorize Administration to process payment for any future purchases in compliance with Chatham-Kent's Purchasing By-law for services rendered during this Council term to Instant Print - Wallaceburg owned by Councillor Mark Authier.
4. Council authorize Administration to process payment for any future purchases in compliance with Chatham-Kent's Purchasing By-law for services rendered during this Council term to John and Kori Wright (towing service) owned by Councillor John Wright.
5. Council authorize Administration to process payment for any future purchases in compliance with Chatham-Kent's Purchasing By-law for services rendered during this Council term to Bondy's Dry Cleaners operated by Councillor Michael Bondy.

Councillor Aaron Hall has advised that as of March 1, 2019 Glassroots Media is solely owned by his spouse. Based on advice from Legal Services, Chatham-Kent will continue to report payments to this vendor as this would still be deemed to be an interest to Councillor Hall.

Comments

Section 39 (e) of the Purchasing By-law states: Council must approve the purchase of any deliverables where the company being awarded is owned directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, by a member of Council. Council approved payments to these vendors at the February 11, 2019 Council meeting.

To provide ongoing oversight of the purchases made by municipal departments from businesses owned and/or operated by Council members, the Audit Committee has reviewed during each committee meeting a listing of all purchases made. In addition, administration committed to report to Council annually a record of the total payments made to these vendors.

The total payments made to these vendors in 2020 is summarized in the table below:

Councillor	Vendor	Amount
Cl. Hall	Glassroots Media	\$3,271.35
Cl. Wright	John and Kori Wright (towing)	\$18,447.26
Cl. Authier	Authier Print & Promotional Products	\$90.40
Cl. Bondy	Bondy's Dry Cleaners	\$91.76
TOTAL		\$21,900.77

Consultation

No other departments were consulted on this report.

Financial Implications

Payments totaling \$21,900.77 were issued to Council-owned vendors in 2020.

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