Managers' Reports

Request for Recommendation **Priorities Committee**



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Meeting Date	April 27, 20	05					Report Date	Apr	il 8, 2005			
Recommendation	on	Х	Yes		No		Priority	х	High		Low	
		Dire	ection O	nly			Type of Meeting		Open	х	Closed	

Report Title

Fire Service Public Fees

X	This report and recommendation(s) have been reviewed by the Finance Division and the funding source has been identified
	ere is no budget impact as these fees were ligeted for 2005.
	Background attached

Policy Implications + Budget Impact

Recommendation

THAT staff be directed to give notice in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Act, 2001 and City's Notice By-law, of the proposal to pass a fire fees by-law in the form attached to this Report, and that the proposed By-law be brought back to Council for its consideration at the appropriate time.

X Recommendation attached

Recommended by the Department Head

Alan Stephen, General Manager, Infrastructure and Emergency Services

Recommended by the C.A.O.

Mark Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer

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Introduction

Over the recent years it has become obvious that the Greater Sudbury Fire Service needs to utilize fees as a means of supplementing the budget plus using them as tools for behaviour modification.

For the 2005 Budget Year there are expectations that there will be revenue generated by the Fire Services which will be used to offset the budget needs.

There has been research done by Fire Services staff as to what is being done in other Municipalities throughout the Province of Ontario. This report should serve as a means of bringing all of this work together. The draft By-law attached has set out updates to fees currently charged by the Greater Sudbury Fire Services for a number of small items such as copies of fire reports, letters, etc., along with fire prevention inspection charges. There are also new proposed charges for services at motor vehicle collisions; charges for use of fire fighting foam; plus charges for false alarms responses.

Fire Fees

The CGS Fire Service would like to continue the long standing process of charging for certain services that the City provide, plus expand upon the scope of this to include other billing opportunities. The Municipal Act, 2001 establishes a process to be followed when passing a By-law, which imposes fees or charges for inspections or the issuance of permits for police or fire purposes. This report highlights any changes staff wish to make to the existing fee structure plus outlines new charges.

There are various headings under which we propose charging for our services, which are broken down as follows:

Fire Prevention and Administration

Many times staff are asked for copies of fire reports by lawyers or insurance companies for which we charge a fee. This covers the cost of our staff researching the incident and preparing a sanitized copy (deletion of privacy information) of the report. This by-law looks at a small increase to existing fees for those services.

At other times, staff are asked to conduct an inspection to facilitate the sale of a building. Although this property will be inspected as part of our on-going inspection program, often the sale requires a very recent inspection. Since this is not built into our normal inspection schedule and frequency, we can accommodate this request by re-arranging our operations, therefore we have charged fees for these inspections. This by-law suggests modest increases to those charges, which again reflect the cost of our staff performing those functions. The 2005 budget line expectation is \$18,000 of revenue. In 2004 there was approximately \$14,000 received as revenue through this account.

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Motor Vehicle Collisions (MVC) and Extrication

The C.G.S. Fire Services attend to numerous motor vehicle collision calls annually. When these calls are on Provincial roadways, we currently are able to back charge the Province through the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) at pre-determined rates. As a matter of convenience, these same rates have subsequently been used by many Fire Departments when determining appropriate charges in other areas. During 2004, these charges resulted in approximately \$47,499.50 in revenue for the Fire Services and in 2005 there are budgeted line accounts of \$40,000 expected revenue for MVC responses on Provincial roadways, along with an additional \$88,900 for this new proposed charge for MVC on municipal roads within the City.

There is a proposed fee set to charge for services that may be required at an MVC that we respond to, while within our city limits, but not on a Provincial roadway. These fees are currently set at \$360 per hour per vehicle. This is the same as the MTO rates. These MTO rates are actually less than the true cost of our response (see Appendix "A"). Since the MTO rate is a commonly accepted way of charging, we recommend that Council adopt this practice of following the MTO rates as set out by the Province.

These charges will be applied to the owner of the vehicles involved in any MVC within our city limits and for which our services were required. Should Fire Services be dispatched as per the 9-1-1 request and services were required upon arrival, charges for the full response will be applied. There is an expectation that the person billed would pass along these costs to their insurance company as currently allowed under most policies.

Fire Alarm Systems

Fire alarm systems are mandatory in some facilities and suggested in others, so there is no real standard that meets all structures. That said, if an alarm system is present in a building (other than a private single family dwelling) there are legally required testing and maintenance requirements.

Every fire alarm that is activated and that results in Fire Services being notified to respond requires a response. Initially this is always under emergency response conditions. Should someone from the building where the alarm is activated call back to say it is a false alarm, then one fire truck still responds to verify while other trucks are down graded to either a non-emergency response or they return to station. It is not possible for Fire not to respond due to potential liability issues.

Currently false alarms are running at about 30% of fire call volume.

Utilizing a method of user fees under this subject matter is designed to modify behaviour of those responsible for the maintenance of these alarm systems. Poorly maintained systems result in unnecessary false alarms and thus a corresponding emergency response from Fire Services.

Institution of a fee system for false fire alarms after a defined limit is very common within the Province of Ontario. Additionally, on the Police side of the house within the City of Greater Sudbury, there is a mechanism for this process with regard to security alarm systems and a fee/fine system.

In an effort to ensure that the fees being charged do not exceed the cost of providing services, some simple calculations have been done. Using simplistic math, the Fire Services 2005 budget including capital is approaching the \$16,000,000 mark. Additionally, there are about 4,000 calls annually. This results in a fire call cost of about \$4,000 per call. It is not reasonable to expect that a fee of about \$4,000 should be charged for these services.

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Doing a search of other municipalities in this Province, Fire staff have complied a comparison document (attached as Appendix "B"). This shows that many Fire Departments are using the MTO rates for their responses. Additionally, there is normally some grace period involved, in that after X calls in a defined time frame, the charges start to apply. In some cases, the more calls you have results in a graduated fee system that increases with use.

Fire Services management are suggesting that a fee system be implemented for Type 1 - false fire alarms (definition as per the draft By-law attached) with the following rules:

- Where there is a response to the same municipal address on more than two occasions within a 30-day period, an administration and response fee shall be imposed upon the owner for the second and every subsequent response, if the alarm was preventable.
- Charges will be similar to MTO rates, i.e. \$360 per truck for the 1st hour or part thereof, per vehicle; and \$180 for every half hour or part thereof, per vehicle, after the first 1-hour period.
- Fees shall be billed to the owner of the building for which the services are provided.

In addition to the fee system suggested above, there is also a need to implement a higher fee system for Type 2 - false fire alarms (definition as per the draft By-law attached) to be assessed against building owners where they are testing the alarm system (in order to be compliant with the Fire Code), but yet they do not notify the monitoring agency and/or Fire Services they are testing the alarm. Consequently, the alarm monitoring agency requests a full response to the building by the Fire Service since they are not aware there is a test underway. These types of calls are 100% preventable, simply by the alarm tester taking time to notify the monitoring agency of the upcoming test.

The recommendation is that this fee be set at \$500 per vehicle. This may be considered a hefty cost, **but 100% of these calls are preventable**, hence the stiffness of the fee. This fee is being assessed in order to assist with the behavioural modification of the alarm tester notifying the monitoring agency.

Initially this process should result in revenue for the Fire Services. As more and more property owners become educated about the need to maintain their alarm systems and correspondingly do maintain them in good working order, then this should eventually result in only a few fines or fees being assessed. 2005 budget line expectation is \$142,800 for false fire alarm fees.

Appendices

Listed under Appendix "A" is a costing of our actual cost of response to an MVC plus proposed revenues using MTO rates.

Listed under Appendix "B" is a compilation of what other municipalities are charging in the revenue generating field.

Listed under Appendix "C" is a sample of expected revenue from fees imposed as a result of false fire alarms, based on an analysis of 2004 actual false fire alarm call data.

Conclusion

At this time, upon direction of Council, the public hearing process required under the Municipal Act, 2001 will be initiated and the proposed By-law brought to Council for its consideration.

However, it MUST be clearly stated that not all false alarms will result in fees. Only those after a defined limit that occur within a defined time frame and that are preventable will be chargeable.

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Appendix "A" - Actual MVC Response Costing

2004 fire calls = 3922

2004 rescue calls = 136.

-Removing elevator rescue and ice/water calls this is approximately 120 MVC calls during 2004.

2004 Fire Services budget \$15,177,687 not including capital.

Actual cost per call = \$15,177,687 / 3922 calls = \$3869.88.

Using MTO charges - cost per call = # of MVC calls times # of trucks (normal response) times \$360 per truck.

= 2 trucks x \$360 = \$720 per MVC call out

Globally, there were 120 MVC calls in 2004 to charge for under the proposed new system:

- $= 120 \times 2(1 \text{ pumps}, 1 \text{ rescue}) \times \360
- $= 120 \times 720
- = \$86,400

This includes all MVC calls. During 2004 there was \$47,499.50 in revenue generated from MTO chargeable calls only.

Conclusion:

Charging for our response to all MVC should result in a higher level of revenue generated to support Fire Services operations.

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Appendix "B" - Other Municipalities Survey of Fee Systems

MUNICIPALITY	FALSE ALARM	AUTO EXTRICATION/VEHICLE FIRES
City of North Bay (By-Law 2004-95)	(i) 1st false alarm - no charge (ii) 2nd false alarm within a 12 month period of the 1st false alarm - \$100.00 (iii) 3rd false alarm within a 12 month period of the 1st false alarm - \$200.00 (iv) 4th alarm within a 12 month period of the 1st false alarm - \$300.00 (v) 5th false alarm within a 12 month period of the 1st false alarm - \$400.00 (vi) 6th false alarm within a 12 month period of the 1st false alarm - \$500.00 (vii) 7th false alarm within a 12 month period of the 1st false alarm shall result in an additional charge of \$100.00 (viii) each additional false alarm - \$100.00 (viii) each additional false alarm within a 12 month period of the false alarm (x) no limit as to the additional charges for false alarms within a 12 month period of the false alarm (x) where an owner with multiple false alarms is able to prevent any false alarm period for 6 months, then, at the discretion of the Fire Chief, the amount payable shall revert to a first alarm.	Non-Resident Vehicle Fires or Extrication - where an emergency response to a fire in a vehicle or to extricate a person or persons by a non-resident, a fee of \$700.00 shall be payable by the owner of the City. Response on Provincial Highways -where an emergency response service to a vehicle which is (1) owned by non-resident and (2) located on a Provincial Highway, the following fees shall be payable by the owner of the City. (I) 1st hour of response by any fire truck - \$350.00 (ii) each additional ½ hour or part thereof for response of any fire truck - \$175.00
Township of Elizabeth- Kitley (By-Law 02-05)	Where a response to the same municipal address on more than two occasions within a 30-day period, an administration and response fee shall be imposed upon the owner, if the alarm was preventable\$350.00 for 1st hour or part thereof per vehicle and \$15.00 for every ½ hour or part of per vehicle after 1 hour	Vehicle fire, danger of fire, extrication (non-resident/property owners) -\$350.00 for 1st hour or part thereof per vehicle and \$150.00 for every ½ hour or part of per vehicle after 1st hour.

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Township of King (By-Law 2001-112)	(l) response to the 3rd and all subsequent false alarms per building, in a 60 day period, caused by equipment malfunctions: \$350.00 per vehicle for the 1st hour or part thereof and \$175.00 per vehicle for each additional ½ hour or part thereof (ii) response to the 3rd and all subsequent intentional false fire	Response to a vehicle incident which is not owned or operated by a Township of King resident or property owner; \$350.00 per vehicle for the 1st hour or part thereof and \$175.00 per vehicle for each additional ½ hour or part thereof.
	part thereof and \$175.00 per vehicle for each additional ½ hour or part thereof Fees shall be billed to the owner of the building for which the services are provided.	Fees shall be billed to the owner of the vehicle or the vehicle owner's insurance company.
Richmond Hill (Regulation 684.18)	Alarm Monitoring - \$100.00 False Alarms - \$350.00 1st hour per equipment piece; \$175.00 each additional ½ hour or part thereof; \$35.00 flat fee where equipment is dispatched but no service is required	Non-Resident vehicle fires, or paid duty truck standby - \$350.00 for the 1st hour per equipment piece; \$175.00 each additional ½ hour or part thereof; \$35.00 flat fee where equipment is dispatched but no service is required.
Town of Ajax (By-Law 150-2002)	None	None
Town of East Gwillimbury (By-Law 2002-22)	\$1000 after 3 false alarm call in one year	Motor vehicle and collision response (charge to non-residents) - \$350.00 for the 1st hour or any part thereof; \$175.00 for each additional ½ hour or part thereof for each attending fire department vehicle (By-Law 2000-106, amending By-Law 97-74)
Town of Vaughan (By-Law 396-2002)	None	Initial dispatch to a motor vehicle incident of up to three Vaughan Fire and Rescue Service apparatus - \$700.00 (per initial hour or part thereof)
Town of New market	Chronic False Alarm (preventable cause) -after two responses; \$350.00 per incident	Only charges on Provincial Highways
Town of Markham	False alarm response - \$300.00 minimum; \$120.00 for each additional ½ hour to a maximum of \$600.00	None

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Town of Georgia	Chronic false Alarms - \$300.00 after 2 false alarms in any calendar year or consecutive 12 month period	Non-resident vehicle fires - M. T. O. Rates
Town of Midland	ectors - after 2 per 12 month period fication to work on system , poor alarms; third call results in a letter vith invoice; after one year form date II be refunded less a \$50.00	Emergency services on municipal roads-\$300.00 per vehicle for 1st hour; \$125.00 per vehicle each additional ½ hour =GST (i.e. bill for services provided for emergencies involving vehicles on County Road 93 and Highway 12 and excluding municipal residents and/or property owners

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Appendix "C" - 2004 False Fire Alarm Call Fee Analysis

Analysis conducted for first 9-months of 2004 with actual fire call data. There were 1235 false fire calls during all of 2004. Reviewing these calls to see if they would result in charges indicates that in the first 9-months (75 % of year) there were 188 calls that could be assessed charges.

188 calls x 4 trucks x \$360 per truck = \$270,720

Extrapolating this to a full year results in charges of \$360,960.

This analysis (due to the data set) is not able to see which calls could be assessed the higher fee for non-notification of an alarm test.

Conclusion:

Charging for false fire alarm response should be able to generate approximately \$400,000 in revenue for Fire Services, assuming all fees are paid. This does assume all are paid and that none are cancelled as per provisions in the by-law where the GM can nullify these charges on an individual case basis.

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BY-LAW 2005-F**

A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO ESTABLISH USER FEES FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY FIRE SERVICES

WHEREAS Section 391.(1) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, C.25, as amended, allows municipalities to pass By-laws imposing fees or charges for services or activities provided and related matters;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury wishes to pass a Bylaw respecting fees for services provided by the fire services division of the Infrastructure and Emergency Services department of the City of Greater Sudbury in order to recover part of the costs expended by the City of Greater Sudbury in the provision of such services;

AND WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury held a public meeting on ** 2005, at Tom Davies Square, 200 Brady Street, Sudbury, in accordance with Regulation 244/02 under the *Municipal Act, 2001*;

AND WHEREAS notice of the said public meeting was given in accordance with the City's Notice By-law, 2003-2, as amended and in accordance with Regulation 244/02 under the *Municipal Act, 2001*;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

Fees and Charges

All applications or requests for services made to the City of Greater Sudbury's
 Fire Services division of the City of Greater Sudbury's Emergency Services
 Department for conduct of file searches, provision of reports, conduct of inspections

and other services identified in Schedule "A" - Reports, Inspections, etc. Fees and Charges shall be accompanied by the appropriate fee as set out in Schedule "A", in order to recover part of the costs expended by the City of Greater Sudbury in the processing of such applications or the provision of such services. In appropriate circumstances, bills may have to be sent out following the completion of the work in which case the fee will then be due and payable.

- 2-(1) In order to recover part of the costs expended by the City of Greater Sudbury in the provision of services, fees or charges assessed by the Fire Services division of the City of Greater Sudbury for provision of the services described on Schedule "B" Vehicle Response and Foam Use Fees and Charges shall be determined in accordance with Schedule "B".
- (2) Where fees or charges are payable for the services provided in Schedule "B" Vehicle Response and Foam use Fees and Charges on an hourly rate, fees shall be payable at the specified hourly rate for the travel time of the person providing the service.
- (3) Fees payable under Schedule "B" will be due and payable upon forwarding of a bill for the services.
- **3.-** (1) In order to recover part of the costs expended by the City of Greater Sudbury in responding to false alarms, fees or charges assessed by the Fire Services division of the City of Greater Sudbury for responding to false alarms designated as Type 1 False Alarms-No Reasonable Cause and Type 2 False Alarm Failure to Advise of Testing shall be determined in accordance with Schedule "C" False Alarm Response Fees and Charges.
- (2) For the purposes of this By-law:

"Type 1 False Alarms - No Reasonable Cause" are alarms where the Fire Services determines that the alarm was given without reasonable cause, including without limitation, alarms resulting from improperly operating alarm systems; and

"Type 2 False Alarms - Failure to Advise of Testing" are alarms in situations in which the Fire Service determines the alarm resulted from testing the fire alarm system without prior notification to the Fire Services of the particulars of the timing of the proposed testing and compliance with Fire Service protocols for alarm testing then in effect.

- (3) Fees or charges assessed in Accordance with Schedule "C" False Alarm Response Fees and Charges shall be payable by the person or persons registered in the Land Titles or Land Registry Office as owner of the property on which the alarm system is situate and shall be due and owing upon forwarding of a bill for the fees and charges.
- **4.-** (1) Unpaid balances on bills issued by the City under Section 1, Subsection 2(3), or Subsection 3(3) shall bear interest at the rate established by By-law of the City from time to time, and if not paid, such unpaid balances and interest thereon and costs of collection, including legal fees and disbursements are recoverable as a debt due to the City by any remedy or procedure available to the City by law.
- (2) If payment of any amount owing under Subsection 3(3) is not made within thirty days of the date on the bill,, the City may, in the discretion of the General Manager of Infrastructure and Public Works and in addition to any other remedy it may have at law, add the balance outstanding to the tax roll of the property where the false alarm occurred, and recover the outstanding amount in like manner as municipal taxes. The City Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to take all necessary action to do so.

Waiver of Fees and Charges

5. Notwithstanding Sections 1, 2, and 3 above, the General Manager of Infrastructure and Emergency Services may reduce the amount of, or waive the requirement for the payment of a fee where he or she is satisfied it would be unreasonable to require payment in accordance with Schedule "A - Reports,"

Inspections, etc. Fees and Charges or with Schedule "B" - Vehicle Response and Foam Use Fees and Charges or with Schedule "C" - False Alarm Responses Fees and Charges, as the case may be.

P.S.T. and G.S.T.

6. Fees included in all the Schedules attached to this By-law are subject to Goods and Services Tax and Provincial Sales Tax where applicable.

Annual Inflationary Increase

7.(1) Except as otherwise provided, commencing January 1st, 2006, the fees provided for in Schedule "A" - Reports, Inspections, Etc., shall be automatically adjusted for inflation on that day and on January 1st in every year thereafter by the Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer based on the September to September increases (or decreases) in the Consumer Price Index, and rounded up or down as the Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer deems appropriate, and provided further that the Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer may consider previous Index changes, and previous fee adjustments or non-adjustments, and the Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer shall inform Council of these annual adjustments, and this By-law shall be deemed to have been amended accordingly.

Short Title

8. This By-law shall be known as the "Fire Services Fees By-Law".

Schedules

- 9. The following Schedules are incorporated into and form part of this By-law:
- Schedule "A" Reports, Inspections, Etc. Fees and Charges; and
- Schedule "B" Vehicle Response and Foam Use Fees and Charges; and
- Schedule "C" False Alarm Responses Fees and Charges.

Repeal

- **10.-(1)** Sections 20, 14 and 15 and Schedule ES-A, Fire Services, of By-law 2003-90F as amended are hereby repealed.
- (2) Despite the repeal of Schedule ES-A Fire Services of By-law 2003-90F as

amended, the repeal does not affect any obligation or liability accrued, accruing, or incurred and outstanding as of the date of the repeal.

Expiry

11. If not earlier repealed, this By-law shall expire on December 31st, 2007.

Severability

12. If any section, subsection, part or parts of this By-law is declared by any Court of Law to be bad, illegal or ultra vires, such section, subsection, part or parts shall be deemed to be severable and all parts hereof are declared to be separate and independent and enacted as such.

Effective

13. This By-law shall come into force and take effect immediately upon the final passing thereof.

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					Mayor
					Clerk
READ A	THIRD TIME A	ND FINALLY EN	IACTED AND	PASSED IN	OPEN
COUNCIL this	day of				
					Mayor
					Clerk

SCHEDULE "A" to BY-LAW 2005-**F

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FIRE SERVICES REPORTS, INSPECTIONS ETC. FEES AND CHARGES

	Fee	GST	Total
Inspections/Searches			
Copy of Fire Report	\$ 56.00	N/A	\$56.00
File Search and Letter -Ontario Building Code Group A, B, C, D, E or F - per search	56.00	N/A	56.00
Inspection - Ontario Building Code Group A Occupancy - per inspection **	100.00	.	
 1st hour or part thereof 2nd hour or part thereof 	100.00 75.00	N/A N/A	100.00
-3 rd and subsequent hours or part thereof	50.00	N/A N/A	75.00 50.00
Inspection - Ontario Building Code Group B Occupancy - per inspection **			
- 1st hour or part thereof	170.00	N/A	170.00
- 2 nd hour or part thereof	150.00	N/A	105.00
- 3 rd and subsequent hours or part thereof	125.00	N/A	125.00
Inspection- Ontario Building Code Group C Occupancy - per inspection			
- single family	100.00	N/A	100.00
- duplex	175.00	N/A	175.00
- multi-residential- 3-8 units and retrofit 9.5	225.00	N/A	225.00
- multi-residential - over 8 units and retrofit 9.5	275.00	N/A	275.00
Inspection - Ontario Building Code Group D Occupancy - each inspection ** -charge per hour or part thereof	100.00	N/A	100.00
minimum charge - 1 hour	100.00	IV/A	100.00
Inspection - Ontario Building Code Group E Occupancy; Group F Occupancy - each inspection **			
-charge per hour or part thereof minimum charge - 2 hours	100.00	N/A	100.00

^{**} NOTE: where fees are charged at an hourly rate, the calculation of time spent will include travel time to and from the inspection location

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FIRE SERVICES REPORTS, INSPECTIONS ETC. FEES AND CHARGES

	Fee	GST	Total
General			
LLBO compliance - both inspection and letter -inspection -letter	required: \$100.00 56.00	N/A N/A	\$ 100.00 56.00

SCHEDULE "B" to By-law 2005-**

FIRE SERVICES VEHICLE RESPONSE AND FOAM USE FEES AND CHARGES

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	Fee	GST	Total
Vehicle Response - Motor Vehicle Accider	nt		
response by one or more Fire Department vehicles to a motor vehicle accident on a City highway, where services are actually provide			
-1 st hour or part thereof minimum charge per vehicle	\$ 360.00	N/A	\$ 360.0
-each half hour after the 1 st hour per vehicle	180.00	N/A	180.00
response by one or more Fire Department vehicles to a motor vehicle accident on a Provincial highway, where services are actual provided: -the rate established by the province for such purpose from time to time currently:	lly		
-1 st hour or part thereof minimum charge per vehicle	\$ 360.00	N/A	\$ 360.0
-each half hour after the 1 st hour per vehicle	180.00	N/A	180.00

Foam Use

where foam or similar additives are used in responding to a fire - per gallon or part thereof

\$25.00

SCHEDULE "C" to By-law 2005-**

FIRE SERVICES FALSE ALARM RESPONSE FEES AND CHARGES

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Fee GST Total

Type 1 False Alarm - No Reasonable Cause

-on each response by one or more Fire Service vehicles to any given address, where the Fire Services determines that each such alarm was given without reasonable cause, including without limitation, alarms resulting from improperly operating alarm systems

1st response to an alarm from that address in any 30 day period

no charge

the second and each subsequent response to an alarm from any address in any 30 day period

\$360 per vehicle responding, per hour or part thereof

Type 2 False Alarm - Failure to Advise of Testing

-on response by one or more Fire Service vehicles to an alarm where the Fire Service determines the alarm resulted from testing the fire alarm system without prior notification to the Fire Services of the particulars of the timing of the proposed testing and compliance with Fire Service protocols for alarm testing then in effect

every occasion

\$500 per vehicle responding, per hour or part thereof