

**TO:** CHAIR AND MEMBERS  
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**DATE:** 2018 May 23

**FROM:** DIRECTOR PUBLIC SAFETY &  
COMMUNITY SERVICES

**FILE:** 42000-01

**SUBJECT: PORTABLE RADIO REPEATERS CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST**

**PURPOSE:** To request a Capital Reserve Fund Bylaw to finance the purchase of Portable Radio Repeaters.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. **THAT** the Financial Management Committee recommend Council authorize the City Solicitor to bring forward a Capital Reserve Fund Bylaw in the amount of \$80,000 to finance the Portable Radio Repeaters project as outlined in this report.

**REPORT****INTRODUCTION**

Bylaw funding approval is being requested to enable work to proceed on the project outlined below. This project is expected to be completed in 2018.

**POLICY SECTION**

The project identified in this report contributes to the Corporate Strategic Plan through the following objectives:

- A Thriving Organization – Reliable services, technology, and information
- A Safe Community – Emergency Services

**Portable Radio Repeaters (ABY.0066)****\$80,000 (Estimated)**

A radio repeater is a combination of a radio receiver and a radio transmitter that receives a signal and retransmits it, so that two-way radio signals can cover longer distances with greater clarity. The Burnaby Fire Department (BFD) currently has three permanent radio repeaters strategically located at Station #2 (Edmonds), Station #5 (Hastings), and Metrotown to help overcome any radio transmission limitations. The BFD has a requirement to add three highly portable radio repeaters to augment the permanent repeaters in remote areas where clear and reliable communication is still challenged, and in buildings that will not be covered by the new radio amplification bylaw. This 2018 capital project budget is estimated at \$80,000.

*To: Chair and Members Finance and Civic Development Committee*

*From: Director Public Safety and Community Services*

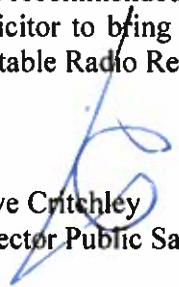
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These expenditures are included in the 2018 – 2022 Annual Financial Plan and sufficient Capital Reserve funds are available to finance the capital project outlined in this report.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Financial Management Committee recommend Council authorize the City Solicitor to bring forward a Capital Reserve Fund Bylaw in the amount of \$80,000 to finance the Portable Radio Repeaters project as outlined in this report.



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