

AGENDA ITEM NO: 7.16
MEETING DATE: May 2, 2023

STAFF REPORT – COVER SHEET

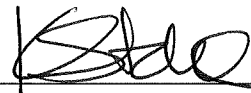
SUBJECT: UBCM Community Connectedness and
Healthy Public Policy Grants Applications DATE: April 26, 2023
DEPARTMENT: Public Safety & Social Development PREPARED BY: Holly Ferris

1. SUMMARY OF ISSUE:

Through discussion with the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) Vancouver-Fraser Branch, an opportunity for the City to apply, in partnership with CMHA, for a Plan H Healthy Communities' Community Connected Grant (maximum \$5000) and Healthy Public Policy Grant (maximum \$15,000) has been identified. The shared vision is to create a business case for addressing the increasing need for mental health support in Chilliwack, recognizing that mental health support should occur pre-crisis, during crisis, and post-crisis, and that there may be existing programs that could be leveraged. Proposed activities include data gathering and analysis; engagement of health providers and community agencies; a forum to facilitate input from the community regarding opportunities and recommendations; and development of a final business case for presentation. The proposed activities support Chilliwack Community Safety Plan objectives to address gaps in services in Chilliwack.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

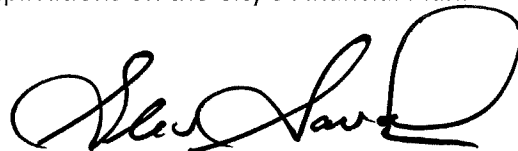
Recommendation that Council direct staff to pursue funding from Plan H Community Connected Grants and Healthy Public Policy Grants, in partnership with the Canadian Mental Health Association Vancouver, as described in the report dated April 26, 2023.



Karen Stanton
Director, Public Safety & Social Development

3. FINANCE COMMENTS:

As funds distributed would be allocated from funding received under the Federal Government's Reaching Home Program, there are no additional financial implications on the City's Financial Plan.



Glen Savard, Director of Finance

**4. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S
RECOMMENDATION/COMMENTS:**

Supports recommendation.



Chris Crosman, CAO