

The Corporation of the City of Cornwall Regular Meeting of Council By-law Explanatory Note

Department: Social and Housing Services

Division: Child Care

Report Number: 2021-36-Social and Housing Services

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Meeting Date: December 13, 2021

Subject: Note – Annual Renewal of Service Contracts for Child Care

and Early Years Service Providers 2022

Purpose

That Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Service Agreements for 2022 with the Child Care and Early Years Service Providers. That Council authorize the Child Care Division to enter into Service Agreements with out-of-jurisdiction not-for-profit licensed Child Care Providers for the purpose of child care fee subsidy only. That Council grant formal authority to the Child Care Division to transfer payments to the Child Care and Early Years Service Providers as outlined in their Service Agreements.

Background / Discussion

The provincial government has designated the City of Cornwall as the Consolidated Municipal Service Manager (CMSM) for the early years system. As such, the Child Care Division is responsible for the allocation of fee subsidies, the distribution of general operating and special purpose funds, as well as the distribution of wage enhancement and pay equity to child care operators. In addition, the CMSM currently purchases services from 1 special needs resourcing agency, and 2 EarlyON child and family support program service providers.



As part of the annual contract renewal for our directly operated Home Child Care Agency, rates are reviewed and updated as needed. In order to bring our rates in line with industry trend and to account for a cost-of-living increase, Children's Services is recommending a 2-year phase in to update our rates. The following table outlines the proposed rates for 2022 and 2023:

| SCHEDULE OF DAILY RATES FOR HOME CHILD CARE | | 2022 | 2023 |
|---|-------------------------------------|----------|---------|
| Full Day: Services consisting of a minimum of 6.5 hours including the provision of meals and snacks. | Infant & Toddler | \$38.00 | \$38.00 |
| | Preschool & Kindergarten/School Age | \$36.00 | \$38.00 |
| 2. Half Day: Services consisting of less than 6.5 hours , including the provision of a meal and snacks. | Infant & Toddler | \$29.00 | \$29.00 |
| | Preschool & Kindergarten/School Age | \$27.00 | \$29.00 |
| Before and After school: Services consisting of before and after school care only. | Kindergarten/School Age | \$14.00 | \$16.00 |
| 4. The foregoing fees will be supplemented by an amount of \$5.00 for the provision of non-traditional hour services on a week-end, during evening hours or overnight * Before 7:00 a.m. & after 6:00 p.m. | All Ages | \$5.00 p | er hour |

Excluding the directly operated services offered through Children's Services, including Home Child Care and special needs resourcing, the Children's Services Division prepares and executes service agreements with the Service Providers on an annual basis as required and approved by Council. The service contracts are due for renewal for the period of January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.





Report Approval Details

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