



Report
Staff Report
 The Corporation of the City of Brampton
 6/5/2024

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Subject: **Sheridan Centre for Healthy Communities Update**

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the report from Barinder Bhatti, Advisor of Executive Operations and Strategic Initiatives, Strategic Services & Initiatives to the Committee of Council Meeting of June 5, 2024, re: **Sheridan Centre for Healthy Communities Update**, be received;
2. That Council approve a cash grant to Sheridan College in the amount of \$2,500,000, funded from Reserve #100-Legacy Reserve, in accordance with the schedule in the Negotiated Agreement (Attachment 4), and subject to satisfying the necessary reporting; and
3. That Council delegate authority to the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the necessary agreement(s) on behalf of the City, with Sheridan College Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning on such terms and conditions acceptable to the Chief Administrative Officer, and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor or designate.

OVERVIEW:

- **Sheridan College delegated to Council in 2021 and 2022, requesting \$2.5 million over two years for a proposed Centre for Healthy Communities at the Sheridan College Davis Campus.**
- **The Centre will be a hub of health workforce training, innovation, community and industry partnerships, and offer free-of-cost care for Brampton residents.**
- **On May 25, 2022, Council endorsed [CW274-2022](#) in principle, a \$2.5 million cash grant to fund the planning and design of the Centre for Healthy Communities, subject to the negotiation and execution of mutually acceptable agreement(s) with the City.**

- **The Negotiated Agreement in Attachment 4 details the distribution of funding and allocation for each phase.**
- **This report provides Council with an update on the status of the Centre for Healthy Communities. Should the recommendations in this report be approved, a grant in the amount of \$2.5 million will be released to Sheridan College, funded from Reserve #100 – Legacy.**

BACKGROUND:

Council Decision History

On [September 8, 2021](#), Dr. Janet Morrison, President and Vice-Chancellor, Sheridan College presented to Council on Sheridan's healthcare programming, and healthcare needs in Brampton. They requested the City's investment of \$2.5 million over two years to support the proposed Centre for Healthy Communities at their Davis Campus location. Council referred the delegation to staff for consideration and report back at a future meeting. On [May 4, 2022](#), Dr. Morrison and Chancellor Hazel McCallion, delegated to provide further information and a presentation on the project.

Sheridan's delegations were in response to the significant challenges the Ontario healthcare system faced since March 2020 due to COVID-19. Sheridan delegated indicating the need to contribute to health investment and to continue to grow with Brampton and be part of the solution. Sheridan requested support from the City of Brampton in the form of a planning and partnership grant of \$2.5 million. Highlighting the free-of-cost care and consultation for residents of Brampton, and the Centre's mandate to help residents more effectively manage chronic conditions.

On [May 25, 2022](#), Council endorsed in principle financial assistance in the form of a cash grant of \$2.5 million over two years in support of Sheridan's Centre for Healthy Communities, subject to the negotiation and execution of mutually acceptable agreement(s) with the City.

Benefits for Brampton Residents

The proposed new Centre will be a hub of health workforce training, innovation, community and industry partnerships (Attachment 1), and free-of-cost care for Brampton residents at the Centre for Chronic Disease Prevention and Management. This Centre will offer free services to members of the Brampton community, through applied training modules for students, under the supervision of faculty and health professionals.

The Centre will be home to world-class simulated learning spaces such as clinics, hospital wards, athletic therapy labs, as well as Sheridan's Centre for Chronic Disease

Prevention and Management. This Centre will support Brampton residents in living healthier lives while managing or preventing the onset of chronic diseases such as diabetes, heart disease, and osteoarthritis, amongst others (Attachment 2).

CURRENT SITUATION:

Change in Delivery Model

Following the COVID-19 pandemic, Sheridan modified its delivery model for the project for financial efficiency. Sheridan issued two RFPs for the planning stage and is finalizing these contracts related to Real Estate Advisory Services and Output Specifications Development and Compliance Advisory Services. While the up-front planning cost had adjusted to account for the new delivery model, the building, value proposition and timelines remain the same.

Funding Agreement

The Negotiated Agreement between the City of Brampton and Sheridan College outlines a phased approach. Subject to satisfactory completion of the conditions and achievement of milestones as set out in the agreement, the funding will be released accordingly.

- **Phase 1:** Conceptual Planning and Consultation
- **Phase 2:** Specification and Functional Program Development
- **Phase 3:** Detailed Design and Associated Planning Studies

The planning phase is well underway and is expected to be completed by the end of 2027, followed by a three to four-year construction schedule. Of the total planning cost of over \$6 million, the City will contribute \$2.5 million.

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

The recommendations in this report will result in a direct contribution from the City of Brampton to Sheridan College, in the amount of \$2.5 million, funded through the Legacy Reserve Fund.

The indirect financial implications of this report consist of investment income loss from the Legacy Reserve Fund, which is estimated at an annual amount of \$120,750 or a tax levy equivalent of 0.01%.

As per Attachment 3 of this report, Status of Strategic Reserves, the City maintains available funding in the amount of \$9.5 million as of December 31, 2023.

There are sufficient funds in the Strategic Reserves to proceed with the recommendations in this report.

STRATEGIC FOCUS AREA:

This report directly aligns with the Strategic Focus Area of Health & Well-being by focusing on expanding the City's health network and creating accessible and equitable space for residents to explore health and wellness programs. This further demonstrates Growing Urban Centres & Neighbourhoods through investing in infrastructure that will result in an additional 345 full-time jobs within the City of Brampton, as estimated by Sheridan College.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommend the release of the \$2.5 million funding to support the planning phase for the Sheridan Centre for Healthy Communities project at the Davis Campus location. Investment will help Sheridan deliver a design process that is rooted in community input and professional excellence, while co-creating functional spaces that meet shared needs.

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Attachments:

- Attachment 1 – Sheridan Centre for Healthy Communities Brochure
- Attachment 2 – Sheridan Centre for Health Communities News Release
- Attachment 3 – Status of Strategic Reserves
- Attachment 4 – Negotiated Agreement (Confidential)