



# City of Richmond


## Report to Committee

**To:** Community Safety Committee  
**From:** Phyllis L. Carlyle  
 General Manager, Law & Community Safety  
**Re:** Strategic Community Investment Funds

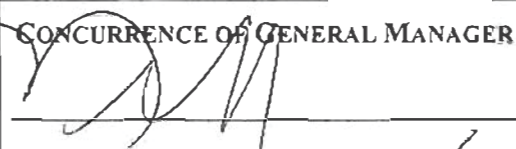
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### Staff Recommendation

That Council authorize the CAO and the General Manager, Law and Community Safety to sign the Strategic Community Investment Funds Agreement on behalf of the City of Richmond (as outlined in the report dated February 29, 2012 from the General Manager, Law & Community Safety)



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## Staff Report

### Origin

On February 24, 2012 the City of Richmond received a communication from the Province outlining the Strategic Community Investment Funds program which provides for cities to receive annual revenue from the Traffic Fine Program. Under the proposed Strategic Community Investment Funds agreement the Province agrees to pay funds to the City in five installments as listed.

Over the past few years the City of Richmond has utilized these funds for the Restorative Justice Program, and to offset policing costs. An annual report has been submitted to the Province on how the funds have been expended.

### Analysis

The Traffic Fine Revenue has been used in the past to mitigate the City's costs of public safety initiatives such as the RCMP Integrated Teams, additional RCMP members for the local detachment and the Restorative Justice Program provided by Touchstone Family Services.

Past Traffic Fine Revenue grants are illustrated below:

**TABLE 1**

2004	\$1,809,317
2005	\$2,011,525
2006	\$2,126,589
2007	\$2,180,432
2008	\$2,203,831
2009	\$2,396,882
2010	\$2,048,465
2011	\$2,931,972

The amount for each city is determined by provincial legislation, and is reflective of the proportioned amount the City pays for policing, the annual amount received for traffic fines, and provincial policing expenditures.

The City was advised on February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012 that the original agreement has expired and to continue receiving these funds the City is required to sign and deliver a Strategic Community Investment Funds Agreement before March 23, 2012. Under the new Strategic Community Investment Funds Agreement, the City would receive funds for 2012 through to 2014.

Payments to the City of Richmond under the proposed agreement will be:

**TABLE 2**

<b>Assured Funds</b>	<b>Use</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Traffic Fine Revenue Sharing Grants	Defray the cost of local police enforcement	March 31, 2012	\$1,181,008
		June 30, 2012	\$1,912,357
		March 31, 2013	\$393,669
		June 30, 2013	\$1,125,018
		June 30, 2014	\$1,518,688
<b>Total 2012-2014</b>			<b>\$6,130,740</b>

**Financial Impact**

In the event that the City does not enter into the Strategic Community Investment Funds the City will not receive its share of the Traffic Fine Revenue funds.

**Conclusion**

In order to continue receiving Traffic Fine revenue funds from the Province, an agreement is required. The Strategic Community Investment Funds Agreement for 2012 through to 2014, would benefit the City through the receipt of \$6,130,740.



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