

TO: Mayor Caul & Members of Council
FROM: Dawn Galusha, Treasurer
DATE: February 5, 2020
SUBJECT: Heart of the Continent Partnership Financial Request

BACKGROUND

At the January 13, 2020 Council Meeting, the letter received from the Heart of the Continent Partnership (HOCP) requesting consideration of contributing to HOCP's voluntary annual dues was referred to the Administration & Finance Executive Committee for recommendation.

As indicated in the attached letter, the annual support allows HOCP to continue its mission of sustaining and celebrating the cross-border region through collaboration. All partners will participate on an equal basis in all HOCP efforts, decisions and initiatives. Annual dues level ranges from Participating Partner \$10 - \$99, Associate Partner \$100 - \$499, Sustaining Partner \$500 - \$999 and Supporting Partner \$1,000 - \$5,000 per year. In 2016, Council approved Associate Partner payment in the amount of \$150, but has not approved payment in 2017 to 2019.

RECOMMENDATION

The Administration & Finance Executive Committee recommends that the Heart of the Continent Partnership (HOCP) financial request be received with no further action, but that the request be forwarded to the Municipal Accommodation Tax Committee for consideration.

<p>Council Approval of This Report Will Agree to the recommendation of the Administration & Finance Executive Committee to receive the Heart of the Continent Partnership (HOCP) financial request with no further action, but that the request be forwarded to the Municipal Accommodation Tax Committee for consideration.</p>
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