



Date: November 7, 2024
To: Mayor and Council
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RE: Community Risk Assessment

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That the Community Risk Assessment **BE ENDORSED**, as presented;

And that Council **DIRECT** the Fire Chief to submit the Kingsville Fire & Rescue's 2024 Community Risk Assessment to the Office of the Fire Marshal in accordance with Ontario Regulation 378/18 of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997.

BACKGROUND

In July 2019, amendments were made to the Fire Prevention and Prevention Act 1997 ("FPPA") identifying that each municipality complete and review a Community Risk Assessment ("CRA"). This change was introduced by Ontario Regulation 378/18: Community Risk Assessments.

This regulation requires municipalities to develop their CRA and use it to "inform decisions about the provision of fire protection services". The findings of this CRA will directly link to the Town of Kingsville Master Fire Plan, with connections to fire prevention, training, and emergency response.

DISCUSSION

The Regulation requires that the CRA captures the analysis of the nine mandatory profiles and these include:

1. **Geographic profile:** review of physical features of the community including the nature and placement of features such as highways, waterways, bridges and urban-rural interfaces.
2. **Building stock profile:** this includes understanding the types of buildings in the community, their uses and their ages, It also reviews the number of buildings of each use and any building-related risks known to the fire department.
3. **Critical infrastructure profile:** this identified the availability and stability of

infrastructure that meet vital human needs, sustain the economy and protect public safety (i.e. electrical distribution, water distribution systems as well as communications).

4. **Demographic profile:** is the composition of the community's population relevant to population size, age, gender, socioeconomic makeup and cultured background.
5. **Hazard profile:** these are hazards in the community including natural hazards, technological hazards and hazards caused by humans.
6. **Public safety response profiles:** types of incidents responded to by other in the community and the response capabilities they are able to provide.
7. **Community service profile:** refers to types of services provided by other entities and the capabilities they are able to provide.
8. **Economic profile:** are the sectors of the community that are critical to its financial sustainability.
9. **Past loss and event history profile:** is the past emergency responses including the review of the following:
 - a. Number and types of emergency responses, injuries, deaths and dollar losses.
 - b. Comparison of the community's loss statistics with provincial loss statistics.

The Fire Master Plan is a companion document to the CRA, and it will aid Council in addressing the "Level of Service" for the protection of the community. The last Fire Master Plan update was completed in 2016. The next step in this process will be to have a full review and update the Fire Master Plan and complete it to address the findings from the CRA.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

None currently.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

None.

CONSULTATIONS

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