

## MANAGEMENT REPORT

**Date:** July 14, 2025  
**To:** Mayor and Council  
**From:** Emily Skelding, Supervisor of Waste Operations  
**Report Number:** COU25-079  
**Attachments:** None

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**Title:** Shelterlink Request to Waive Landfill Tipping Fees

**Objective:** To consider the request by Shelterlink Youth Services to have their tipping fees waived.

**Background:** Shelterlink is a registered charity. Their mission is to support Perth County youth experiencing homelessness, or at-risk of homelessness through prevention, advocacy, shelter and community connection services.

The organization is requesting to have their tipping fees at the City's landfill for items they cannot recycle or repurpose be waived on a regular basis. This would likely be infrequent (one to two times per year) and would include the disposal of items like broken furniture and mattresses.

**Analysis:** The City has provided approval in the past to waive tipping fees at the landfill for other local charities on occasion. The last request received was in 2022. The only current organization that receives this ongoing benefit is the Restore and this has been long-standing. In 2024, the City accepted approximately 76MT of waste generated from the Restore and approximately 68MT in 2023. It is noted that before 2020 annual averages were around 175MT of waste generated from charities and at that time, there were others included. It is expected that Shelterlink would generate approximately 1-5MT of waste per year, which amounts to approximately \$94.00-\$470.00 per year.

### **Financial Implications:**

#### **Financial impact to current year operating budget:**

Staff estimates that the cost to waive the tipping fees would be approximately \$94.00-\$470.00 per year. This would have little impact on the current operating budget.

#### **Financial impact on future year operating budget:**

It is anticipated that waste generation and costs would be similar from year to year.

## **Alignment with Strategic Priorities:**

### **Build Housing Stability**

This aligns with this priority by partnering with our community to help provide safe, attainable, affordable and supportive places to live.

### **Work Together For Greater Impact**

This aligns with this priority by building meaningful partnerships to address community needs

## **Alignment with One Planet Principles:**

### **Equity and Local Economy**

This aligns with this principal by creating safe, equitable places to live and work which support local prosperity.

### **Culture and Community**

This aligns with this principal by nurturing empowering communities and promoting a culture of sustainable living.

**Staff Recommendation: THAT Council authorizes landfill tipping fees for Shelterlink Youth Services to be waived for up to 5MT per year as requested.**

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