

COUNCIL REQUEST FOR DECISION

MEETING DATE: August 18, 2025

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REPORT TITLE: Leduc Police and Crisis Team - Service Level Adjustment

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Administration is seeking Council's direction regarding the future composition and funding of the Leduc Police and Crisis Team (LPACT). In April 2023, the City of Leduc received grant funding through the Building Safer Communities Fund (BSCF). This funding was allocated by the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness to support community-led initiatives aimed at combating gun and gang violence, and to address knowledge gaps related to the impacts of intervention strategies.

A portion of this funding has been used to cover the salary of the psychologist on the LPACT team. The grant funding is set to expire on March 31, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council directs Administration to provide a funded Service Level Adjustment option in the 2026 Proposed Budget for the continuation of the Leduc Police and Crisis Team (LPACT) psychologist team member.

BACKGROUND / RATIONALE

The Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness established the Building Safer Communities Fund (BSCF) to support initiatives aimed at addressing the prevalence of gun and gang violence. The fund provides financial support for community-led projects that combat violence and help close knowledge gaps related to the impacts of intervention strategies.

A portion of this funding was used to support the creation of the Leduc Police and Crisis Team (LPACT). The team was established shortly after the grant was awarded in April 2023. LPACT consists of one regular member of the RCMP and one psychologist from Alberta Health Services (AHS). The team operates on a rotating schedule—Monday to Thursday and Tuesday to Friday—based on identified community needs. An analysis of service calls indicated that coverage during these days would be most beneficial to the community.

If directed by Council, Administration will submit a 2026 Service Level Adjustment through the budget process, proposing an option for ongoing funding to ensure the continuity of the LPACT team. This funding would support the continued operation of the team and the ongoing delivery of enhanced services to the citizens of Leduc.

ORGANIZATIONAL IMPLICATIONS

FINANCIAL / LEGAL:

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It is anticipated that continuation of the LPACT psychologist position cost approximately \$150,000 annually. There will also be operating and maintenance costs (i.e. training, vehicle, etc.)

ATTACHMENTS

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