



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Patti Bridal, Chief Administrative Officer **FILE:** 7380-01  
**PC:** Debra Law, Director Financial Services **DATE:** December 1, 2023  
**FROM:** David Lind, Director, Fire Rescue Services  
**SUBJECT: EXTREME WILDFIRE RESERVE TRANSFER**

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At their March 28, 2022 Regular meeting, Council approved the creation of an Extreme Wildfire Reserve in the amount of \$200,000 in order to fund increased staffing during periods of higher risk.

Since July 11, 2023, Station 3 has been operational with Auxiliary Firefighters. During higher risk periods Career Firefighters are also assigned to the station in order to strengthen and quicken the initial response. This year, the first Career Firefighter shift occurred on June 6, 2023 and to-date, the last shift occurred on August 31, 2023.

Staffing Station 3 during higher risk periods provides a quick response to emergencies in the Predator Ridge area and also provides support to the new Auxiliary Firefighter force assigned to the station.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council receive the memorandum titled "Extreme Wildfire Reserve Transfer", dated December 11, 2023 and respectfully submitted by the Director, Fire Rescue Services;

AND FURTHER, that Council authorize Administration to transfer \$154,675 of expenditures in 2023, which provided temporary staffing at Station 3 (Predator Ridge), from the Extreme Wildfire Reserve to the Fire Services operating budget.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved for the Agenda by the CAO