

Subject Matter: Recognition from Members of Council

Department: Office of the City Clerk

Presented By: Doug Rodwell

Council Meeting Date: November 21, 2022

Recommendation:

That Council approve the recognition of Mr. Travis Levitsky for his meritorious acts of bravery and heroism on the early morning of October 28, 2022.

Issue: On the morning of October 28, 2022 a fire placed several homes in the 4600 block of 20th Street, Lloydminster, Alberta/Saskatchewan in danger.

Background: At 0400hrs, on October 28, 2022, a fire in the community endangered several homes in the 4600 block of 20th Street, Lloydminster. Mr. Levitsky, who was in his home observed the danger and without thought for his own personal safety attended the affected homes to alert the occupants of the imminent danger. Mr. Levitsky went door to door alerting occupants, when he came to the residence at 4611 20th Street, he did not receive a response, from the occupants. Once again without thought for his personal safety, he proceeded to kick the door in and entered alerting the residents to the fire and assisted in their evacuation.

Ms. Joanna Anacio provided correspondence to the City asking for Mr. Levitsky's actions to be recognized. In her correspondence she states;

"He saved our lives. He came to wake us up and get out of the house on time, if he didn't do that, in 5 minutes we will have been dead". She then goes on to say that "Travis saved the lives of three families; we are so grateful to him".

The recognition of Mr. Levitsky's extraordinary acts are authorized pursuant to the Recognition from Members of Council Policy (Policy No. 110-01). Administration has received a request for recognition and fully supports the request. Administration is proposing that Mr. Levitsky be presented with the attached commendation, at a date to be determined.

Options:

- 1. That Council approve the recognition of Travis Levitsky for his meritorious acts of bravery and heroism on the early morning of October 28, 2022.
- 2. That Council does not approve the recognition of Travis Levitsky for his meritorious acts of bravery and heroism on the early morning of October 28, 2022.
- 3. That Council request further information and that the item be brought forward to a future Regular Council Meeting for decision.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item is in alignment with the following strategic area: Providing a Safe Community. Mr. Levitsky's actions prevented many residents from suffering injury or death and is keeping with the highest traditions and values of the community.



Legal Review: N/A

Governance Implications: The Recognition from Members of Council Policy requires the approval of Council in order for the recognition to occur.

Budget/Financial Implications: N/A

Environmental Implications: N/A

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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Dion Pollard