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6. Social Assistance Modernization, Transformation, and Integration Update

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CITY WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATION

That the Community and Protective Services Committee recommend Council receive this report for information.

Clara Freire, Director, Employment and Social Services gave a brief summary of the report.

Committee members had a variety of questions of the speakers dealing with but not limited to the following:

There are so many services that need to be delivered. As well, there are service standards from the Province (ODSP). With all these changes from the Province does the City advocate on behalf of residents to the province. Staff are pleased with the province's approach in engaging municipalities. At those tables, the City has been advocating for its clients for social assistance rates. Province has engaged clients in this exercise. There are many positive changes that they are doing and allowing municipalities times to work with clients. It doesn't meet all the needs, but we will use the tools we have on this.

The province isn't proposing any reductions or increases at this time. The City will not realize any savings through this exercise. Any savings at the province level will go back into social services. This is a long-term strategy –

many won't be implemented until 2024. Staff will continue to update council accordingly.

The report recommendation was put to Committee and CARRIED as presented.