

City Receives Reduced 2019 Rate from WorkSafeBC

The City received notification from WorkSafeBC that the preliminary forecast for 2019 will see the City attain a 17.4% experience rate discount based on the City's claims and payroll history compared to others in the Local Government and Related Operations group. The 17.4% discount is equivalent to about \$11,500 for 2019.

It is because of the commitment from all employees the City is able to see a reduction in the 2019 premium and a significant improvements to costs. This is an impressive downward trend for the City in its WorkSafeBC claims costs and experience rating. The safer we are the lower the premiums which is the concept behind WorkSafeBC's experience rating plan.

Previous years 2015, 2016 and 2017 were rated by WorkSafeBC as better than average compared to the industry group. In 2018, the City paid a surcharge of .1% over the base rate for the Local Government and Related Operations classification. The 2019 rate reduction recognizes the City's successful efforts to improve safety in the workplace.

The City's occupational health and safety program supports the City in creating and maintaining a safe and healthy workplace for all employees and is committed to the prevention of injuries, to improving return-to-work/stay-at-work outcomes and to the ongoing wellness of employees.

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