



Governance and Priorities Committee Report

Date: February 21, 2014 **From:** Brenda Warner, Director of Finance
Subject: Canadian Award for Financial Reporting Excellence

Executive Summary

I am pleased to announce that the City of Victoria's annual report for the year ended December 31, 2012 has been awarded the Government Finance Officers Association Canadian Award for Financial Reporting Excellence for the eighth consecutive year.

When a Canadian Award for Financial Reporting is awarded to a government, a Canadian Award for Financial Reporting Achievement is also presented to the individuals primarily responsible for development of the award winning report. In the City's case those people are Laurel Westinghouse, Manager of Accounting Services; Joanne King, Accountant – Financial Reporting; Jill McQuade, Financial Analyst Accounting Services; Janice Schmidt, Manager Corporate Planning & Policy; Emilie Januszewski, Policy Analyst; Leah Ibbitson, Graphic Designer; and Heather Follis, Communications Coordinator.

Preparation of the year-end financial statements and the annual report involve many staff throughout the organization, and I would like to extend my appreciation to each of them for their dedication and hard work.

Recommendation:

That the Canadian Award for Financial Reporting Achievement be presented to Laurel Westinghouse, Joanne King, Jill McQuade, Janice Schmidt, Emilie Januszewski, Leah Ibbitson and Heather Follis for their contribution in development of the City's 2012 Annual Report.

Respectfully submitted

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Brenda Warner, CMA
Director of Finance

Report accepted and recommended by the City Manager:

Date:

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March 3, 2014