
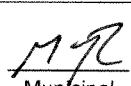


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COUNCIL REPORT

Date: February 4th, 2009 File: 0160-04
From: Phil Bates, Manager, Engineering Services
Subject: **Local Government Infrastructure Planning Grant Program**
– **Sanitary Sewer Infrastructure – Asset Management Plan**
– **Storm Sewer Infrastructure – Asset Management Plan**

RECOMMENDED THAT:

1. Council authorizes submission of an application for the **Sanitary Sewer Infrastructure – Asset Management Plan** and the **Storm Sewer Infrastructure – Asset Management Plan** projects under the Provincial Local Government Infrastructure Planning Grant Program.

Purpose

To obtain Council concurrence for the District's grant applications.

1.0 Background

The Ministry of Community Development provides grants to assist local governments in developing sustainable infrastructure that will improve public health and safety, protect the natural environment, and strengthen local and regional economies.

The maximum grant for approved studies is \$10,000 according to the following formula:

Approved Study Costs

First \$5,000 or less
Next \$10,000 or less

Provincial Grant

100% of approved costs
50% of approved costs

Recently, the Ministry announced the first round of approvals for the 2009 program, based on applications received by January 31, 2009. The timing of announcements of funding approvals will depend on the number and complexity of applications received. Applications are considered complete upon follow up submission of a Certification Form confirming Council concurrence.

2.0 Policy

The proposed projects are in step with the principles of sustainability as discussed under the existing corporate business plan (*Sustainable Future: the Three Year Corporate Business Plan, 2006-2008*).

3.0 Analysis

3.1 Discussion

In 2007, the District completed a **Strategic Infrastructure Management Plan (SIMP)** covering all Transportation and Utility assets within Engineering. This strategic level plan follows the guidelines and best practices set forth in the Canadian InfraGuide initiatives on infrastructure management. The **SIMP** has formed the foundation for other infrastructure planning work that has occurred within the Division, including:

- Completion of all infrastructure inventories (completed in 2008);
- Condition & Life Cycle assessments (on going);
- Risk assessments (on going);
- Long range infrastructure replacement costs (on going).

SIMP efforts will continue for several years, with one of the intermediate results being the development of a consolidated **State of the Infrastructure (SOI)** report, presentation of which is anticipated in 2009 to Council. The two projects being proposed (*Sanitary Sewer Infrastructure – Asset Management Plan* and the *Storm Sewer Infrastructure – Asset Management Plan*) support the infrastructure initiatives described above.

3.2 Sustainability Implications

Better understanding of municipal infrastructure will ensure that the long term sustainability of the municipality is maintained. Forecasting present and future infrastructure reinvestment levels ensures smooth, proactive management of municipal assets and municipal finances. Any future funding spikes can be addressed. Environmental impacts from unanticipated infrastructure failures can be mitigated.

3.3 Financial Implication

Sanitary Sewer Infrastructure – Asset Management Plan Project

The total cost of the project is \$26,600 and will be completed by a Consultant. Should the grant application be successful, the District's share of \$16,600 will be funded within the operations budget of the Sewer Utility Fund.

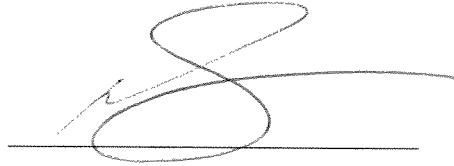
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Storm Sewer Infrastructure – Asset Management Plan Project

The total cost of the study is \$19,270 and will be completed by a Consultant. Should the grant application be successful, the District's share of \$9,270 will be funded within the operations budget of the Sewer Utility Fund.

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