



The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh

Public Works & Engineering Services

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Phil Bartnik, Director Public Works & Engineering Services

Date to Council: July 9, 2024

Report Number: PWES-2024-36

Subject: Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund 2023 Intake
Cedarwood Sanitary Pump Station Reconstruction Project
Contribution Agreement

Recommendations

It is recommended:

That report PWES-2024-36, Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund 2023 Intake, Cedarwood Sanitary Pump Station Reconstruction Project, Contribution Agreement, **be received**;

And that the Cedarwood Sanitary Pump Station Reconstruction project **be approved** with a **funding allocation** reflecting a total budget requirement of \$9,000,000 from the Wastewater Facilities Reserve Fund;

And further that a by-law **be prepared** to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Contribution Agreement for the Cedarwood Sanitary Pump Station Reconstruction project between His Majesty the King in right of Canada, as represented by the Ministry of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities (Canada) and The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh (Town), in a form satisfactory to the Town's Solicitor, financial content satisfactory to the Town's Chief Financial Officer and technical content satisfactory to the Town's Engineer.

Background

The Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund (DMAF) is a Government of Canada contribution program intended to support public infrastructure projects designed to mitigate current and future climate-related risks and disasters triggered by climate change, such as floods, wildland fires, droughts and seismic events.

Eligible infrastructure projects under the DMAF include new construction of public infrastructure and/or modification or reinforcement of existing public infrastructure including natural infrastructure that prevent, mitigate or protect against the impacts of climate change, disasters triggered by natural hazards, and extreme weather.

Projects must have a minimum of \$1M in total eligible costs to be considered for funding. The maximum federal contribution is **up to 40%** for municipalities. Projects funded under this program must be completed by **March 31, 2033**.

At the May 9, 2023 Regular Council Meeting, Council authorized Administration, under report [PWES-2023-43](#), to submit an application for funding under the DMAF 2023 Intake for a future commitment for the Cedarwood Sanitary Pump Station Reconstruction project (Motion: RCM-142/23). The Town's application was submitted on July 19, 2023.

Comments

The Town received a letter, dated May 13, 2024, from the Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities congratulating the Town of Tecumseh on receiving funding approval in the amount of \$3.6M, in principle, for the Town's application for the DMAF 2023 Intake.

A contribution agreement must be executed between His Majesty the King in Right of Canada, as represented by the Ministry of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities and The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh, regarding the grant received for the Cedarwood Sanitary Pump Station Reconstruction project.

A draft contribution agreement has been prepared by Canada and is being reviewed by Administration and the Town's Solicitor. The agreement will be finalized following evidence that Tecumseh Town Council has approved the execution of the agreement, and that the Town provides evidence that all project funding other than federal contribution has been secured (via Council Resolution).

The final contribution agreement will be brought to Council for approval and execution by means of a future by-law.

With the approval in principle, eligible costs as determined under the terms and conditions of the DMAF and incurred as of the date of May 13, 2024 letter [sent from the Ministry of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities] will be eligible for federal reimbursement subject to the timely execution of the funding agreement. Once signed, the funding agreement represents the final federal approval of the project.

Consultations

Financial Services
Legislative Services & Clerk

Financial Implications

Federal funding for the Cedarwood Sanitary Pump Station Reconstruction project from the DMAF 2023 Intake is 40% of the total eligible costs, to a maximum federal contribution of \$3.6M. The total project costs are \$9M, with \$3.6M (40%) being federally funded and \$5.4M (60%) being municipally funded from the Wastewater Facilities Reserve Fund.

In order to ensure the project is completed within the grant funding timelines of March 31, 2033, the following schedule is recommended and will be included within the contribution agreement:

- 2025 & 2026 – Request for Proposal, Detail Design, Regulatory Approvals, Utility Works and completion of Tender Documents
- 2027 & 2028 – Reconstruction of the Cedarwood Sanitary Pump Station

Link to Strategic Priorities

Applicable	2023-2026 Strategic Priorities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sustainable Growth: Achieve prosperity and a livable community through sustainable growth.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Health and Inclusion: Integrate community health and inclusion into our places and spaces and everything we do.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Service Experience: Enhance the experience of Team Tecumseh and our citizens through responsive and respectful service.

Communications

Not applicable

Website

Social Media

News Release

Local Newspaper

This report has been reviewed by Senior Administration as indicated below and recommended for submission by the Chief Administrative Officer.

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Reviewed by:

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Director Legislative Services & Clerk

Recommended by:

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Chief Administrative Officer

Attachment Number	Attachment Name
1	Cedarwood Sanitary Pump Station – Location & Service Area Map
2	Cedarwood Sanitary Pump Station – Plan View