

DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES - ENGINEERING SERVICES

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DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT ENGINEERING SERVICES 2015-15

TO:

Committee of the Whole

SUBJECT:

York Region Municipal Streetscape Partnership Program – Davis Drive Key

Intersection Streetscape Improvements

ORIGIN:

Director, Engineering Services

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT Development and Infrastructure Services Report – ES2015-15 dated February 2, 2015 regarding "York Region Municipal Streetscape Partnership Program – Davis Drive Key Intersections Streetscape Improvements" be received and the following recommendations be adopted:

- 1. THAT the Engineering Services Department be authorized to submit an application under the Municipal Streetscape Partnership Program offered by York Region for the Davis Drive key intersection streetscape improvements;
- 2. AND THAT, should the Town be successful in obtaining funding for the Davis Drive key intersection streetscape improvements, the remaining project funds be returned back to the original funding source.

BACKGROUND

A recent discussion with York Region staff indicates that they would be willing to entertain an application from the Town under their 2015 Municipal Streetscape Partnership Program for some of the streetscape improvements that are being planned in conjunction with the vivaNext expansion works along Davis Drive. Some of these improvements are eligible for partnership funding through York Region, and therefore the Town can take advantage of this additional source of funding. The three (3) streetscape elements that are eligible for funding under this program are located at the northwest and the southeast intersections of Yonge Street and Davis Drive, and at the intersection of Davis Drive at Main Street. Although the proposed wayfinding beacon and associated works at Main Street and Davis Drive are eligible for funding, the downtown archway and sign are not eligible because they are located outside of the Regional right-of-way.

The purpose of York Region's Municipal Streetscape Partnership Program is to provide funding to local municipalities and stakeholders to support streetscape design. The program assists in cost sharing on locally-initiated streetscape projects to improve the public realm in York Region.

The application to York Region's funding program requires a recommendation from Council authorizing staff to apply under the program, and that is the purpose of this report. This project is to be constructed in conjunction with York Region Rapid Transit as part of the vivaNext expansion on Davis Drive. The Town will be moving ahead with this project as planned, whether the application to York Region is successful or not. The total estimated project cost is \$398,500 plus HST and the eligible funding from the program could be up to \$199,250 (33% of the cost of the feature).

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

No public consultation was undertaken in the preparation of this report. The Director, Financial Services/Treasurer was consulted to determine the proper account in which to return any additional funds.

BUSINESS PLAN AND STRATEGIC PLAN LINKAGES

 Well-planned and connected...strategically planning for the future to improve information access and enhance travel to, from and within Newmarket.

HUMAN RESOURCE CONSIDERATIONS

No impact on current staffing levels.

IMPACT ON BUDGET

Operating Budget (Current and Future)
No impact on the Operating Budget.

Capital Budget

No impact on the Capital Budget.

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