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# FCM Municipal Asset Management Program – Grant Submission Staff Report

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#### Recommendations

- 1. That the report entitled "FCM Municipal Asset Management Program Grant Submission" dated September 17, 2018 be received; and,
- 2. That Council directs staff to apply for grant funding through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program toward the implementation of the Town's Integrated Asset Management Strategy;
- 3. That the Town of Newmarket commits to conducting the activities in its proposed project application submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program;
- 4. That the Town of Newmarket commits to funding up to 20% of the eligible project costs to a maximum of \$12,500 of which the remaining 80% is to be funded by FCM, if successful;
- 5. That Council endorse the attached Council Resolution for the Mayor and Town Clerk's signature;
- 6. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the attached Council Resolution.

# **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is for staff to obtain authorization from Council to: submit a grant application that will assist with the implementation of the Town's Integrated Asset FCM Municipal Asset Management Program – Grant Submission

Management Strategy through the Municipal Asset Management Program, attest to cost sharing the funded activities, and commit (if funded) to undertaking the proposed projects as required by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' (FCM).

## **Background**

FCM's Municipal Asset Management Program (MAMP) is currently accepting calls for grant funding applications from municipalities. FCM's Municipal Asset Management Program provides funding to municipalities for projects that enhance their asset management practices. The MAMP will fund up to 80% of eligible project expenditures to a maximum contribution of \$50,000. The goal of the program is to help municipalities make informed investment decisions for infrastructure assets, such as roads, buildings, water supply and sanitation systems, in order to deliver value for money while best serving citizens' needs. The MAMP funds a range of activities for municipalities at all stages of their asset management development, such as:

- 1. Asset Management Assessments
- 2. Asset Management Plans, Policies, and Strategies
- 3. Data Collection and Reporting
- 4. Training and Organizational Development
- 5. Knowledge Transfer

#### Discussion

FCM requires applicants to provide a Council Resolution along with their application to the Municipal Asset Management Program. The Resolution must include an attestation of Council to cost sharing the grant funded activities and to undertake the proposed activities if funded. Staff are currently reviewing eligible projects for this funding program and will communicate to Council if the application is successful.

#### Conclusion

A Council Resolution containing the information outlined in the Recommendations section of this Report will enable staff to submit a complete application for funding to FCM through MAMP that will act to further serve the implementation of Newmarket's Integrated Asset Management planning.

## **Business Plan and Strategic Plan Linkages**

This report supports the Town's Strategic Plan direction of "Well-Equipped and Managed" by ensuring efficient management of capital assets. This report also supports the Town's Strategic Plan direction of "Well-Planned and Connected" by planning and managing growth through long-term plans and strategies, supported by short-term plans.

#### Consultation

No external consultations were undertaken in the writing of this report. Internal consultations are on-going to determine the exact activities to be included in the funding application.

#### **Human Resource Considerations**

The recommendations in this report have no impact on staffing levels.

### **Budget Impact**

The requested grant funding will assist with the implementation of the Integrated Asset Management Strategy that has been allocated for in previous budgets. The Integrated Asset Management Strategy is currently funded through the Asset Replacement Fund (\$326,400) and grant funding (\$170,000). The maximum project cost the MAMP will fund is \$62,500 with \$12,500 required to be paid by the Town (20%). As Town funding is already allocated to the Integrated Asset Management Strategy this will assist in building capacity for the Asset Replacement Fund for future Town projects. The activities to be identified in the grant application will be activities that would have been funded through the Asset Replacement Fund as identified in the Newmarket's 2018 capital budget. If successful, the grant funding will offset planned capital budget expenditures.

#### **Attachments**

Council Resolution

# **Approval**

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