The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes

Council Report

Report Number EA2018-007

Date:February 13th, 2018Time:2:00 p.m.Place:Council Chambers

Ward Community Identifier: All wards

Subject: Amendment to Clean Water and Wastewater Fund Transfer Payment Agreement

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Recommendation(s):

RESOLVED THAT Report EA2018-007, **Amendment to Clean Water and Wastewater Fund Transfer Payment Agreement**, be received; and

THAT the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Transfer Payment Agreement amendment attached as Appendix A to Report EA2018-007.

Department Head:

Financial/Legal/HR/Other:

Chief Administrative Officer:

Background:

Launched in 2016, the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund (CWWF) is a one-time formula-based grant provided by the federal and provincial governments to assist municipalities with capital improvements to their water and wastewater systems.

The Ministry of Infrastructure of Ontario approved the City's proposal to distribute its CWWF allocation of \$1,404,773 across the following 2017 water/wastewater capital projects:

- 1. Elgin St. Water and Sanitary Main Replacement Phase II (\$1,107,000)
- 2. Lindsay Water Treatment Plant Filter Media Replacement (\$207,773)
- 3. Fenelon Falls Water Treatment Plant Clearwell Modification Study (\$60,000)

To facilitate the CWWF grant, the City entered into a Transfer Payment Agreement (TPA) with the Province. The deadline for project completion pursuant to the TPA is March 31, 2018, however the federal and provincial governments have agreed to extend this deadline to March 31, 2020 for all municipalities. The Province has signed a TPA amendment, attached hereto as Appendix A, to this effect.

As full execution of the amendment requires the signature of the Mayor and/or City Clerk, this report seeks direction in that regard.

Rationale:

While the full 2-year extension being offered is not required (a lesser extension would suffice), it will secure the City's ability to access CWWF assistance as the above-noted projects are approximately 95% complete. Accordingly, staff recommend the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized by Council to execute the enclosed TPA amendment.

Other Alternatives Considered:

The City could opt to decline the extension, however this puts the City at risk of not realizing its full allocation under the CWWF grant.

Financial/Operation Impacts:

The amendment will secure the City's ability to obtain as much as possible its \$1,404,773 CWWF allocation.

Relationship of Recommendation(s) To The 2016-2019 Strategic Plan:

The recommendations of this report align with the following goals of the Corporate Strategic Plan:

- Goal 1 A Vibrant and Growing Economy: An effective water/wastewater capital program helps support municipal infrastructure that is essential for a prosperous and growing economy.
- Goal 2 An Exceptional Quality of Life: An effective water/wastewater capital program helps support municipal infrastructure that is essential for the quality of life of residents and visitors.
- Goal 3 A Healthy Environment: An effective water/wastewater capital program helps support municipal infrastructure that is essential for health and a clean environment.

Consultations:

Ministry of Infrastructure of Ontario

Office of the City Clerk

Attachments:

Appendix A: Amendment to Clean Water and Wastewater Fund Transfer Payment Agreement



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