

Council Report

Report Number:	PRC2021-005
Meeting Date:	June 15, 2021
Title:	ICIP: COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream Funding Update
Description:	Update on municipal request through the cost-shared infrastructure funding program.
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Recommendation(s):

That Report PRC2021-005, ICIP: COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream Funding Update, be received;

That a capital project entitled "Victoria Park Armoury HVAC - ICIP", as described in Report PRC2021-005, be created (9502105) with an authorized expenditure of \$40,000;

That a capital project entitled "Replacement and Enhancement of Parks Infrastructure – ICIP" be created (9502106) with three sub-projects entitled "Playgrounds – Garnet Graham Park and Victoria Road Park", "Janetville Ball Park Sport Court" and "Lindsay Trail System – Wilson Fields Area", as described in Report PRC2021-005, with authorized expenditures of \$221,518, \$30,760 and \$180,000, respectively;

That the Lindsay Trail System – Wilson Fields Area project be 45% financed by the Parks and Recreation account of the Development Charges Reserve Fund and 55% financed by the ICIP grant, where it is understood that, for the purposes of Section 5(2) of the Development Charges Act and Section 6 of O. Reg. 82/98, the grant is intended to support only the portion of the project deemed to benefit existing development;

That the other foregoing projects be financed entirely by the ICIP grant; and

That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute any agreements necessary for securing the ICIP grant.

Department Head: _____

Financial/Legal/HR/Other:_____

Chief Administrative Officer:_____

Background:

In March 2021 staff prepared and submitted an application, identifying five projects, to the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP): COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream – Local Government Intake. This program is a cost-sharing infrastructure funding program between the federal government, provinces and territories, and ultimate recipients.

This report provides an update on the funding application.

Rationale:

The funding program had four categories with multiple asset types to select from. Staff chose to apply via Category 1: Retrofits, Repairs and Upgrades and Category 3: Active Transportation Infrastructure. Details of the submission are listed below:

Category 1 – Victoria Park Armoury HVAC Upgrade

Design and installation of a new air conditioning system for the second floor of the historic building. This section of the Victoria Park Armoury is predominately used by the local senior's association. Updating the system will improve the air circulation as well as the overall comfort and usability of the space now and into the future. Funding request amount: \$40,000 (full program funding)

Category 3 – Replacement and Expansion of Park Infrastructure (multiple locations)

Playground Structure Replacement – Garnet Graham Park, Victoria Road Park

Design and install new playground structure, keeping accessibility at the forefront, to enhance outdoor experiences in multiple communities. Provides an opportunity to grow one's creativity and imagination while being physically active and at no cost to the child/family. Funding request amount: \$221,518 (full program funding)

Sport Court Installation – Janetville/Terry Staples Ball Park

Design and install new sport court to support community activity and add to the current park amenities. This new multi-purpose hard surface sport court will be accessible to all. Funding request amount: \$30,760 (full program funding)

Trail Development – Wilson Fields

Design and construct a new trail through and around Wilson Fields West. This multiuse, accessible system will connect to existing sidewalks and trails on three sides of the property. Also, an interior system will link the parking lot, athletic fields/diamonds, washroom building and playground structure for ease of movement within the park. This trail system forms part of the overall plan of trail connectivity throughout Lindsay. Funding request amount: \$99,000 (partial funding request, CKL Development Charges Reserve funds to support the remainder of the project - \$81,000)

The Garnet Graham Park playground structure, Janetville Park sport court, and Victoria Park Armoury HVAC improvement projects were included in the Forecasted 2021 Capital Projects Deferred to 2022 Budget Consideration. The Victoria Road Park playground structure and Wilson Fields trail system were projects anticipated to be requested through the 2022 Capital Budget program.

Confirmation was received in May 2021 that the submission was successful and that Kawartha Lakes would be receiving full funding in the amount of \$391,279. Key terms and conditions of the funding program include:

- Completion of the Transfer Payment Agreement (TPA)
- Projects must start construction before September 20, 2021 and must be completed by December 31, 2021
- Ongoing reporting on the project(s)

Staff are prepared to meet these requirements.

Other Alternatives Considered:

No other alternatives are being recommended at this time.

Alignment to Strategic Priorities

The recommendations in this report align with the following strategic priority within 2020-2023 Kawartha Lakes Strategic Plan:

An Exceptional Quality of Life – enhancing community areas and encouraging social and healthy interactions.

A Vibrant and Growing Economy – increase efficiency and effectiveness of service delivery by leveraging funding

Good Government – working collaboratively with local groups to foster teamwork within our communities.

Financial/Operation Impacts:

While this report recommends adding \$472,278 worth of capital projects to the 2021 Tax-Supported Capital Budget, of that amount \$81,000 is financed by the Development Charges Reserve Fund and the balance is financed by the ICIP grant. Therefore, the recommendations herein entail a minimal demand on the Development Charges Reserve Fund and no tax levy impact.

Consultations:

Treasury

Manager, Corporate Assets

Attachments:

NA

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