

To: Members of the General Committee

From: Cynthia Fletcher

Commissioner of Infrastructure and Planning Services

Meeting Date: January 21, 2019

Subject: Report IPSTR19-001

Lansdowne Street Multi-Use Trail Budget Transfer

Purpose

A report to recommend a budget transfer for the Lansdowne Street Multi-Use Trail Project.

Recommendation

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report IPSTR19-001 dated January 21, 2019, of the Commissioner of Infrastructure and Planning, as follows:

That the 2018 Capital budget for the Lansdowne Street Multi-Use Trail project as described in Report USTR18-004 Ontario Municipal Commuter Cycling Program Transfer Payment Agreement be increased by \$570,000 from \$530,000 to \$1,100,000 and the additional \$570,000 be transferred from Capital Budget account 5-5.01 Various Multi-Use Trails.

Budget and Financial Implications

The \$570,000 budget transfer amount is available in Capital Budget account 5-5.01 from years 2015 and 2017. Tendering this project in 2019 will ensure the deadline for the Ontario Municipal Commuter Recycling Program funding will be met. The funding amount for this project through this program is \$250,000.

Background

Brief Description of the Work

A 680 metre asphalt multi-use trail will be built on the south side of Lansdowne Street from River Road to Ashburnham Drive, connecting to the trail on the west side of Ashburnham Drive. The budget for this project was established in Report USTR18-004 - Ontario Municipal Commuter Cycling (OMCC) Program Transfer Payment Agreement. The contribution from the OMCC program is \$250,000 of the \$1,100,000 estimated project cost.

During the design of the project, additional work was included in the scope of the project to upgrade the existing bus shelter pad on River Road South just south of the Lansdowne Street intersection to make it accessible and to make some minor improvements at the River Road South and Lansdowne Street intersection to enhance pedestrian safety. The project was tendered in 2018, but prices were substantially higher than estimated and with the additional improvements there was not sufficient budget to award the project. It is anticipated that the proposed budget increases will be sufficient for this project to proceed.

This project has a high priority because it is a missing sidewalk link and the funding from the Ontario Municipal Commuter Cycling Program needs to be spent by December 2020. Moving ahead with this project in 2019 will ensure that the project is completed prior to the funding deadline.

Council Approval Required

Under Part 9.2.1 b. of the Purchasing By-law 18-084, Council must approve a net budget transfer of greater than \$50,000.

Budget Adjustment Required

Table 1 outlines the budget transfers that will take place if the recommendation is approved. There are a number of multi-use trail projects underway and this transfer will result in delays of the implementation of other projects, but the Lansdowne Street multi-use trail is a priority at this time.

Table 1: Budget Transfer Details

Budget Number	Year	Amount	
5-5.01	2015	\$192,156.87	
5-5.01	2017	\$326.433.61	
5-5.01	2018	\$51,409.52	
Total		\$570,000.00	

Timelines

This transfer will allow the Lansdowne Street Multi-Use Trail project to be tendered and constructed in 2019.

Summary

The transfer of budget from the Various Multi-Use Trails capital budget to the Lansdowne Street Multi-Use Trail project will allow the project to proceed in 2019.

Submitted by,

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