



City of
Peterborough

TO: Members of the Arenas, Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

FROM: Brian Buchardt, Planner, Urban Design

MEETING DATE: April 16, 2013

SUBJECT: Report APRAC13-017
Trans-Canada Trail Construction at the CPR Bridge and along Maria Street, between Edgewater Boulevard and the CPR Tracks Update

PURPOSE

A report to introduce a presentation by the City's Planner, Urban Design, providing an update regarding Trans-Canada Trail construction at the CPR Bridge and along Maria Street, between Edgewater Boulevard and the CPR tracks.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Arenas, Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report APRAC13-017 dated April 16, 2013, of the Planner, Urban Design, as follows:

That a presentation by the Planner, Urban Design be received for information.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no budget or financial implication resulting from the approval of the recommendation of report APRAC13-017.

BACKGROUND

The Trans-Canada Trail at the CPR Bridge

The Trans-Canada Trail at the CPR Bridge is a \$3,380,000 project, which commenced construction in the second week of January of this year. The first month of construction was challenging due to extreme cold with two very mild occurrences with heavy rain. The weather had the effect of raising the water level in the river, making de-watering in one particular coffer dam very difficult.

The end of February and all of the month of March provided almost perfect weather for construction to progress well. Still, an extension to the deadline to complete the in-water work portion of the project had to be requested. Trent Severn Waterway granted an extension to April 5.

The manufacture of the new Trans-Canada Trail Bridge is nearing completion. At the present time, the schedule calls for the placement of the bridge spans on the extended piers and new abutments in the first week of May. A four hundred ton crane will manoeuvre the bridge sections into place. It will be set up on the east shore and on the rock access driveways in the river.

The rock access driveways will not be removed from the river until early July when the last fish to spawn's eggs have hatched. However, the Trans-Canada Trail on the CPR Bridge is scheduled to be open for public use at the end of May.

Trans-Canada Trail Construction on Maria Street to Roger's Cove Park – Phase 1

This project involves the construction of a ramp with armour-stone retaining walls to reduce the severe slope encountered on Maria Street between Edgewater Boulevard and the CPR tracks. The budget for this section of Trans-Canada Trail is \$166,466.20 with a contribution from The Trans-Canada Trail foundation in the amount of \$43,750.00. The work was awarded to Kawartha Capital Corp., who is the same contractor constructing the Splash Pad in Roger's Cove Park.

Construction is proceeding well and it is anticipated that the project will be completed some time in the first week of May. Currently, a section of Maria Street, west of Burnham Street, is closed to vehicular traffic to provide the staging area for the contractor to do the work.

The next phase of Trans-Canada Trail development involves the construction of the trail west and east of the ramp. Construction drawings have been prepared for review by City staff. There are complications associated with the next phase of trail construction such as conflicts with utility poles and a crossing of the CPR tracks. However, it is anticipated that construction of the next phase will be able to proceed this year.

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