

ARTERIAL FENCE PAINTING

Issue

Arterial and primary collector fencing is aging infrastructure and in need of maintenance and repair to meet the community standards.

Motion Proposed by Administration

That Administration be directed to develop a life cycle re-painting program beginning in 2024 to rejuvenate the identified corridors of fencing along the main arterials and primary collectors to be absorbed in the current operating budget.

Report, Analysis and Financial Implications

Through a visual assessment, Administration has identified 10,626 lineal metres of private fencing meeting the criteria applicable to this initiative. This includes 6270 metres along the main arterials and 4356 metres along the primary collectors. In addition, the Town owns 423 lineal metres within the arterial corridor. This aging infrastructure is in various states necessitating repair or general maintenance. These fence lines are critically important for sound attenuation, privacy, reduced wildlife conflicts and pedestrian safety.

The objective is to engage with the residents, to advise them of the restrictive covenants and ownership responsibilities of the fences. Additionally, to demonstrate committed support and collaboration toward a common goal to bring these assets to the expected standard. A program was initiated some years ago under the auspices of the fencing maintenance program. This included engagement and door knockers advising resident of their obligations and options. This program resulted in minor, inconsistent improvements necessitating a higher level of involvement and service commitment from the Town to meet the objectives. The 2022 Citizens satisfaction survey noted cleanliness, maintenance and safety as areas for improvement in this area around parks and pathways. Keeping these fences in a uniform and aesthetically pleasing condition benefits the entire community and illustrates the Town's exceptional community standard to visitors as well.

The current service level has the Town performing minor maintenance of street side fencing e.g. graffiti removal, this applies to private and publically owned fences. The changes proposed at this time are included in the attached map to reflect the delineation of these linear assets. The anticipated budget impact is estimated at \$40,000 annually which is currently built into the operating budget under contracted services.

Strategic Plan Goals

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Responsibly Managed Growth
<input type="checkbox"/>	Strong Local Economy
<input type="checkbox"/>	Organizational Excellence

<input type="checkbox"/>	Demonstrated Environmental Leadership
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Enhanced Culture & Community Health

Equity/Diversity/Inclusivity Impacts and Strategy

Increased service level to the fencing is supported by the Town's Municipal Development Plan, and Social Wellness Framework.

Environmental Impacts

n/a

Governing Policies/Bylaws/Legislation or Agreements

Community Standards Bylaw
Land Use Bylaw

Public Participation Strategy

The Parks business centre is working with Communications in developing an engagement strategy intended to be on the Town's website and form the basis for program details, citizen involvement, updating brochures, and other materials created as needed.

Alternatives for Consideration

n/a

CAO Comments

I support this service level enhancement which is being incorporated within the existing budget.

Attachment(s)

1. Fencing Map

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