

#### 2024 CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT – FIRE WATER TENDER TRUCK

#### Issue

A 2024 Capital Budget amendment is requested to add Project 347 for the purchase of a Fire Water Tender truck as part of the Fire Master plan recommendation.

## **Motion Proposed by Administration**

That the 2024 Capital Budget be amended by adding Project 347 – Fire Water Tender Truck.

Budget: \$0.750M

Source of Funds: Grants/ Reserves

# **Report, Analysis and Financial Implications**

The Fire Services Master Plan was presented to Council in August and identified some priority equipment for purchase. The number one priority was the acquisition of a tanker truck to allow for water supply to areas of Town that are currently not developed to municipal standards. Administration began the process of determining the cost and timing delivery of a unit to include in the upcoming future year capital plans with a new capital projected for 2025/6 with an estimated cost of \$1.0M and a two-year build time. However, Administration has been made aware of a unit that is available immediately and will give a cost reduction of \$0.250M. As a result of the reduced capital expense and timing it is being presented for the consideration of Council now.

This project was identified in the Fire Services Master Plan. The existing tender is undersized (1800 gallons) and will be kept and used as a backup and for smaller incidents. The proposed new tender unit has a capacity of 3000 gallons and meets the needs of Fire & Rescue. It effectively increases the capacity of the water carried in each run to incidents and reduces the turn around time to refill and return to the incident thus increasing effectiveness of and water capacity to the incident and improving firefighter safety.

#### **Strategic Plan Goals**

$\boxtimes$	Responsibly Managed Growth		Demonstrated Environmental
	Strong Local Economy		Leadership Enhanced Culture & Community
	Organizational Excellence		Health

### **Equity/Diversity/Inclusivity Impacts and Strategy**

n/a

## **Environmental Impacts**

n/a

# **Governing Policies/Bylaws/Legislation or Agreements**

Fire Services Master Plan

# **Community Engagement Strategy**

n/a

#### **Alternatives for Consideration**

Do not take advantage of the offer and submit a new capital project request as part of the next budget.

### **CAO Comments**

A tender truck is more commonly known as a tanker truck. This water 'tender truck' is the only immediate item that will be advanced in the capital program arising from the Fire Services Master Plan. Due to the potential costs savings it is being presented for consideration at this point in time.

# Attachment(s)

1. Project 347 Fire Water Tender truck

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