



FORMAL REPORT

To:	Mayor Stratthdee and Members of Council
Prepared by:	Jeff Wolfe, Asset Management and Engineer Specialist
Date of Meeting:	13 June 2017
Subject:	PW 31-2017 Authorize PTIF Funding Agreement

PURPOSE

This report presents a funding agreement for Authorization. The Town has received \$67,500 in funding under the Public Transit Infrastructure Fund (PTIF) program for various improvements to the Town's sidewalk network. The Province requires the Town to pass a by-law accepting the funding and execute the agreement.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT PW 31-2017 regarding the authorization of the PTIF Funding Agreement be received as information; and,

THAT By-law 51-2017 authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Agreement with the Province of Ontario for the Public Transit Infrastructure Fund funding program be approved.

BACKGROUND

The Government of Canada announced in its 2016 Federal Budget to provide \$11.9 billion in transit infrastructure over five years which includes funding under a new federal program entitled Public Transit Infrastructure Fund (PTIF), to upgrade and improve public transit systems. Phase One of the PTIF commits \$3.4 billion across Canada, including \$1.48 billion to Ontario projects. The funding is being distributed by the provincial governments under a bilateral agreement between the federal government and the provinces.

The Town's transit services are not in need of capital investment at this time so the Town submitted an application for funding to improve the accessibility and interconnectedness of the Town's sidewalk network.

On March 31, 2017 the Town received notice that our funding application was successful and the Province would be committing \$67,500 (50%) towards the project.

REPORT

The Province requires the Town to pass a by-law accepting the funding and execute the agreement. This report presents the contribution agreement that the Province requires the Town to sign so the funds can be provided. The form of agreement is attached to this report, and is the standard form that the Province uses for funding programs. The funding agreement requires regular reporting from the Town as well as acknowledgment of the Province's generous contribution in all project materials.

Council approved the project as part of the 2017 capital budget process. The project includes a mix of replacing deteriorated and AODA deficient sidewalk as well installing new sidewalk in strategic locations where it currently does not exist for a total of 1.4km of sidewalk. The total project cost is

estimated at \$135,000 with the Town's portion (\$67,500) being funded from the Road Reserve Fund. A tender document similar to the Town's annual concrete works will be released to award the work.

SUMMARY

Staff is recommending that Council accept the funding agreement and provide authorization to the Mayor and the CAO/Clerk to sign the necessary contribution agreement.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The 2017 capital budget includes \$135,000 for the various sidewalk improvements project. The funding received under the PTIF program is 50% of the eligible costs, or \$67,500.

OTHERS CONSULTED

None

ATTACHMENTS

PTIF Funding Agreement

REVIEWED BY

Recommended by the Department



Jeff Wolfe
Asset Management / Engineering Specialist



Jed Kelly
Director of Public Works

Recommended by the CAO



Brent Kittmer
CAO / Clerk