

**Subject:** Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program:  
Green Stream**Recommendation:**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive Report #2019-0139; and Council approve the list of capital projects for the grant submission of the ICIP: Green Stream.**

**Background:**

The Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) is a federal infrastructure program designed to create long-term economic growth, build inclusive, sustainable and resilient communities and support a low-carbon economy. The Green stream includes up to \$7.12 billion in combined federal (\$2.85 billion), provincial (\$2.35 billion) and other partner (\$1.92 billion) funding over 10 years for projects across three federal sub-streams that advance outcomes associated with climate change mitigation, environmental quality and disaster mitigation. The Green stream prioritizes projects that address critical health and safety issues associated with water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure. Project eligibility will be assessed using an outcomes-based approach. Eligible projects under the first intake must meet one of the following federally determined project outcomes prioritized for the environmental quality sub-stream: (1) Increase capacity to treat and/or manage wastewater and stormwater (2) Increase access to potable water. Mandatory project completion date is October 31, 2026.

**Analysis:**

The Town has reviewed the 10-year capital forecast and has identified capital projects that are eligible for this grant. The Town's share of the cost will be 26.67%. This is an opportunity to address water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure needs relating to eligible project types of rehabilitation, replacement/upgrade and renewal. The Town has 6 years to complete this project. This will also relieve a financial burden relating to the capital pressures of the Town by optimizing this grant opportunity.

The project identified by the Director Public Works, Manager Roads & Facilities and Manager Engineering is as follows:

The projects that have been identified today are as follows:

WST 06-20 Foss Sanitary Upgrade	\$ 800,000
Church St Upgrade Sanitary Sewers	1,600,000
Welland Rd to Canboro to E Balfour, Watermain replacement	400,000
Church St upgrade Watermain	700,000
Design, Engineering and Project management	<u>300,000</u>
Total	<u>\$3,800,000</u>

These projects have been identified to address the wastewater upgrading that is required to support the development in Fenwick relating to Baxter Hall, Oak Haven and Fire Station 2.

The Town's cost-sharing is 26.67% is \$80,010 from the \$3 million maximum. The WST 06-20 Foss Sanitary Upgrade is included in the 2020 Capital budget for \$800,000.

**Financial Considerations:**

The Town's cost-sharing portion of this grant is 26.67%, the federal government's cost-sharing portion of the grant is 40% and the Provincial government's cost-sharing portion is 33.33%. The maximum total eligible cost per project (including contingency funding) for a single applicant of \$3 million. These capital costs are already listed in the Town's 10-year capital plan, so obtaining these grants would reduce future levy spending.

**Alternatives Reviewed:**

N/A

**Strategic Plan Relationship: Financial Sustainability**

These grant opportunities will reduce the pressure on the Town's capital reserves.

**Consultation:**

Director Public Works, Manager Roads and Facilities and Manager Engineer

**Other Pertinent Reports/Attachments:**

None

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