



## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AMHERSTBURG

### OFFICE OF CORPORATE SERVICES

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**To:** Mayor and Members of Town Council

**Subject:** Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) - Rural and Northern Communities Funding Stream Grant Transfer Payment Agreement

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#### 1. **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that:

1. Authorization **BE GIVEN** to enter into a Transfer Payment Agreement with the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Rural and Northern Stream (ICIP) for funding of up to \$2,874,885 toward Reconstruction of Bridge 3012 – 5<sup>th</sup> Concession North over River Canard at an estimated total project cost of \$3,450,000 including net HST;
2. A capital expenditure not to exceed \$3,050,000 including net HST **BE APPROVED** as a first charge to the 2021 Budget for construction of Bridge No 3012, to be funded from the ICIP and a transfer from the Reserve Fund General; and
3. **By-law 2020-038** being a by-law to enter into an agreement with the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs funding **BE TAKEN** as having been read three times and finally passed and the Mayor and Clerk **BE AUTHORIZED** to sign same.

#### 2. **BACKGROUND:**

At their meeting of May 13 2019, Council received a report advising that Administration had submitted an application for funding under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Rural and Northern Stream (ICIP) toward replacement of Bridge 3012 over River Canard at 5<sup>th</sup> Concession North.

The report outlined the estimated project cost of up to \$3,450,000 including net HST, to be funded by Transfer from Reserve (\$575,115), Federal ICIP Funding (up to \$1,725,000) and Provincial ICIP Funding (up to \$1,149,885).

### 3. **DISCUSSION:**

On April 8, 2020 the Town received confirmation that the project had been approved for funding, conditional on the Town “entering into a comprehensive Transfer Payment Agreement (TPA) with the Province and on meeting the conditions outlined in the Transfer Payment Agreement”.

On June 16, 2020 the Town received the TPA for approval with a request to make best efforts to return signed copies of the TPA by Friday July 10, 2020.

The 2016 Bridge Study recommended that Bridge 3012 receive further structural investigation. The investigation was completed in 2017 and revealed severe deterioration of beams in the travelled portion of the roadway. Replacement of the bridge would avoid the need to apply a load limit or possible bridge closure based on future structural reviews. The Federal and Provincial funding contributions to this project will facilitate replacement of Bridge 3012 in the near term, to conserve the service level it currently provides in a safe and reliable manner.

### 4. **RISK ANALYSIS:**

There is financial risk that the municipality may have to fund the replacement of the bridge fully from taxation should Council not approve the TPA and forego senior government funding contributions.

### 5. **FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

Programs, such as the ICIP Rural and Northern Communities Funding Stream, are effective tools used by municipalities to address key challenges due to financial constraints. The successful application under the ICIP, offered by the Federal and Provincial governments, will assist the Town in long-term financial stability and enhanced community safety through replacement of critical infrastructure.

The financial impact of the project, inclusive of the grant funding, is estimated to be incurred during 2020 and 2021 as follows:

	<b>2020 Budget</b>	<b>2020 Estimated</b>	<b>2021 Budget 1<sup>st</sup> Charge</b>	<b>Total Incl. net HST</b>
<b>Project Cost</b>				
Engineering	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$ -	\$ 400,000
Construction			3,050,000	3,050,000
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$400,000</b>	<b>\$400,000</b>	<b>\$3,050,000</b>	<b>\$3,450,000</b>

	<b>2020 Budget</b>	<b>2020 Estimated</b>	<b>2021 Budget 1<sup>st</sup> Charge</b>	<b>Total Incl. net HST</b>
<b>Project Funding</b>				
Transfer from Reserve	\$400,000	\$ 66,667	\$ 508,448	\$ 575,115
Federal Funding (up to 50%)		200,000	1,525,000	1,725,000
Provincial Funding (up to 33.33%)		133,333	1,016,552	1,149,885
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$400,000</b>	<b>\$400,000</b>	<b>\$3,050,000</b>	<b>\$3,450,000</b>

**6. CONSULTATIONS:**

The Director of Engineering and Public Works and the Director of Corporate Services were consulted on this report.

**7. CONCLUSION:**

Approval of the recommendations in this report will provide significant financial support toward reconstruction of Bridge 3012.




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Treasurer

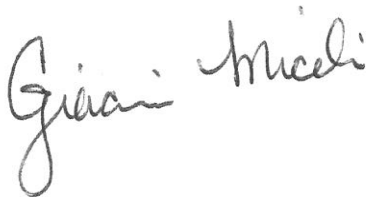
## Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:



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