

Corporation of the Township of Brock

Staff Report to the Mayor and Members of Council

From: Wayne Ward

Position: Director Parks, Recreation and Facilities and Acting Director

Public Works

Title / Subject: Sidewalk Installations

Date of Report: June 18, 2024 Date of Meeting: June 24, 2024

Report No: 2024-OP-010

1.0 Issue / Origin

New Sidewalk installation locations.

2.0 Background

The 2024 capital budget approved a total of \$300,000 for sidewalk installations. This was tendered and the successful bidder was Richvale Construction Limited with a bid amount of \$256,700 not including HST.

3.0 Analysis

During on site consultation with the contractor it was found that there are sections along Main Street East in Beaverton along with Albert Street South in Sunderland that the existing conditions with ditches do not provide enough space to accommodate the installation of the sidewalks as per the tender.

The noted locations include ditches which require additional support or the sidewalk to be installed safely and to prevent undermining of the sidewalk and causing failure of the sidewalk. This was not taken into consideration during the tender process.

The design for the enhanced sidewalk structures was provided to the Acting Director of Public Works after an on-site visit to review the actual conditions. This was then passed onto the contractor to provide the additional costing for concrete, railings and labour as these changes also affect how the forming is completed.

4.0 Related Policies / Procedures

Procurement procedure for tenders exceeding approved budgets.

5.0 Financial / Budget Assessment

The approved capital budget was a total of \$300,000 with the successful bidder coming in below the approved amount. As the bid was underbudget, there is approximately \$43,300 remaining in the approved budget to put towards additional works.

The required changes and additions to the Main Street East section is an additional amount of \$60,400, which includes the additional concrete to create the proper size for accessibility requirements and to fit our sidewalk equipment and railings.

The required changes and additions to the Albert Street South section is an additional amount of \$29,250, which includes the additional concrete to create the proper size for accessibility requirements and to fit our sidewalk equipment, a new culvert and railings.

The total additional work approximates \$89,650. As there are savings in the original budget of \$43,300, we require further funding of approximately \$46,350.

In discussion with the Treasurer, it is felt that since these are new sidewalks are not replacement that this additional work can be funded from Development Charges, up to an upset limit of \$50,000.

5.1 Asset Management

These changes and additions will ensure these assets are correctly installed for the site conditions and will provide a long-life span of these capital assets.

6.0 Climate Change Impacts

The proper installation of the sidewalks in the areas where there are ditches will maintain the design and ability of the ditch to allow water to move properly and with the design characteristics of the sidewalk the potential of the sidewalk structure being undermined and failing are limited.

7.0 Communications

This report is being published on a public agenda.

8.0 Conclusion

In order to complete the tendered and approved sidewalk installations and to ensure the installations are safe for all users and are built to allow for the specific locations it is staffs recommendation that the request for additional funding be approved and that any future sidewalk installations where these circumstances may occur be included as part of the scope of work for any future tenders

9.0 Recommendation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Committee receive report 2024-OP-010, and

THAT Committee approve the additional funding with an upset limit of \$50,000, and

THAT the funding for this additional work be provided from the Development Charges, and

THAT this recommendation be ratified at the Council Meeting of June 24, 2024.