CITY OF ST. ALBERT

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Deferred Capital Projects 2020

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RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 1. That Council approve the continuation of 12 Municipal capital projects with a total budget of \$21,465,400 and 3 Utility capital projects with a total budget of \$517,500 as noted in the attachment "June Capital Project Recommendation".
- That Council approve the deferral of 5 Municipal capital projects with a total budget of \$17,088,000 to September 30, at which time they will be re-assessed for continuance, as noted in the attachment "June Capital Project Recommendation".
- 3. That Council approve the deferral of 4 Municipal capital projects with a total budget of \$1,102,300 and 1 Utility capital project with a total budget of \$268,000 to 2021, at which time they will be re-assessed for continuance, as noted in the attachment "June Capital Project Recommendation".

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report brings forward Administration's recommendation on the 21 Municipal capital projects and 4 Utility capital projects that were recommended for deferral until June 30 in the April 20, 2020 Council motion.

ALIGNMENT TO PRIORITIES IN COUNCIL'S STRATEGIC PLAN

Strategic Priority #4: Infrastructure Investment: Identify and build needed capital assets.

ALIGNMENT TO LEVELS OF SERVICE DELIVERY

N/A

ALIGNMENT TO COUNCIL DIRECTION OR MANDATORY STATUTORY PROVISION

On April 20, 2020 Council passed the following motions:

(AR20-108)

That Council approve the deferral of 21 Municipal capital projects with a total budget of \$39,655,700 and 4 Utility capital projects with a total budget of \$785,500 to June 30, at which time they will be re-assessed for continuance, as noted in the attachment "Deferred Capital

Projects".

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Due to the unprecedented COVID-19 outbreak, and the unknown nature of the extent of this event which could potentially force the continued disruption to many programs and projects administered by the City, Administration had completed an initial review of all 2020 projects and presented the initial recommendation to Council on March 23, 2020, either to continue or defer these projects.

Subsequent to the March 23, 2020 decision, Administration reviewed all approved capital projects to determine which projects would be eligible to proceed based on Alberta Health Service's guidelines due to Covid-19 impact, while ensuring that the City balances its cash flows, and allow business continuity to ensure services are met. The results of this review were presented to council on April 20, 2020 as four sets of project list; to be continued, to be deferred till June 30, 2020, to be deferred till September 30, 2020 and to be deferred till 2021.

This report presents a set of recommendation for Council's consideration as a result of further review of 21 Municipal and 4 Utility projects that were deferred until June 30, while ensuring that the City balances its cash flows, and allow business continuity to ensure services are met. Therefore, it is recommended that Council approve the continuation of 12 Municipal capital projects with a total budget of \$21,465,400 and 3 Utility capital projects with a total budget of \$517,500; the deferral of 5 Municipal capital projects with a total budget of \$17,088,000 to September 30, at which time they will be re-assessed for continuance; and the deferral of 4 Municipal capital projects with a total budget of \$1,102,300 and 1 Utility capital project with a total budget of \$268,000 to 2021, at which time they will be re-assessed for continuance .

STAKEHOLDER COMMUNICATIONS OR ENGAGEMENT

N/A

IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION(S)

Financial:

Deferral of Capital projects would assist with City cash flows but will not impact capital funding over the long term.

<u>Legal / Risk</u>: None at this time.

Program or Service:

Due to the unknown nature of the extent of COVID-19 impact to programs or services in the future, the recommendation presented here may have to be reconsidered.

Organizational:

Due to the unknown nature of the extent of COVID-19 impact to the organization in the future, the recommendation presented here may have to be reconsidered.

ALTERNATIVES AND IMPLICATIONS CONSIDERED

None

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