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**Date** November 2, 2022 **Report No.** 2022-685

**To** Brian Hutchings  
Chief Administrative Officer

**From** Inderjit Hans, P. Eng., PMP  
General Manager, Public Works Commission

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## 1.0 Type of Report

Restricted Acts after Nomination Day [ X ]

This report is being presented under the following applicable section(s) of **City of Brantford By-law 97-2022, being a By-law to Delegate Authority to the Chief Administrative Officer for Restricted Acts During “Lame Duck”**:

- ( ) a) The hiring or dismissal of any employee of the Municipality that is not an officer of the Municipality as per The Municipal Act, 2001.
- (X) b) The making of any expenditures or incurring any other liability which exceeds \$50,000 that has not already received budgeted approval for.
- ( ) c) The disposition of any real or personal property of the municipality which has a value exceeding \$50,000 at the time of disposal.

## 2.0 Topic **Appendix D PW-ENG Woodman Pool Project Funding**

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## 3.0 Recommendation

- A. THAT Report #2022-685 titled “Woodman Pool Project Funding” BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT funding in the amount of \$1.9 million funded from the Canada Community Building Fund from the Woodman Pool Replacement project

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- PK2018 be moved to Colborne Street (East Slope) Stabilization project EV1701; and
- C. THAT funding in the amount of \$1.7 million funded from the Capital Funding Envelope from the Colborne Street (East Slope) Stabilization project EV1701 be moved to the Woodman Pool Replacement project PK2018.
  - D. THAT funding in the amount of \$200,000 funded from the Capital Funding Envelope from the Colborne Street (East Slope) Stabilization project EV1701 be moved to the Woodman Community Centre – Playground Design and Construction PK2118.

## **4.0 Background**

Report #2020-546 “Council Priority Implementation Plan” approved on December 15, 2020 presented the 2020-2021 Council Priorities. The 2020-2021 Council Priorities identified the need to address deficiencies in Woodman Pool.

In 2020, the Woodman Pool Replacement project was approved during Estimates Committee for \$1.9 million of funding from the Capital Levy (RF 0573). In November 2020, Report #2020-426 identified that additional funds were required to fund the design and reconstruction of the Woodman Pool and an additional \$1.9 million was added to the project funded from the Canadian Community Building Fund (RF 0446). This brought the total funds to \$3.8 million in municipal funding.

## **5.0 Analysis**

The City of Brantford submitted a grant application to fund the Woodman Pool Replacement project through the Federal government in 2019. At the time, the City was advised that the application was unsuccessful and that the government would not provide funding. In the absence of funding and in recognition of the importance of completing this project, the City proceeded to obtain the municipal funds as detailed in Section 4.0 Background.

In December 2021, the grant funder requested that the City resubmit an application for the Woodman Pool Replacement project with an updated scope. As the design had already commenced and was nearing completion, the scope of the project was updated to include only the construction costs for the pool and the full design and construction of the playground that would be located at Woodman Community Centre.

The project has received approval in principle by the funder, and staff are expecting the formal contract outlining the contribution agreement in late 2022. The total funding approved and contributions are identified in Table 1.

***Table 1 –Grant Funding Contribution Sources***

<b>Contribution Source</b>	<b>% Contribution</b>	<b>Pool Funding Amount</b>	<b>Playground Funding Amount</b>
<b>Federal</b>	40%	\$1,610,000	\$200,100
<b>Provincial</b>	33.33%	\$1,341,532	\$166,733
<b>Municipal</b>	26.67%	\$1,073,468	\$133,417
<b>Total</b>	100%	\$4,025,000	\$500,250

Of the total approved grant funding, \$500,250 is dedicated to the Woodman Community Centre – Playground Design and Construction project PK2118, and the remainder will be allocated to the Woodman Pool Replacement project PK2018.

Following approval of this grant funding, staff has been made aware that the federal government will not allow stacking of federal funds to complete this project above their 40% contribution towards total project costs. Currently, the Woodman Pool Replacement project has a total of \$3.8 million in municipal funds with \$1.9 million being funded from the Canada Community Building Fund (previously gas tax) which is a federal contribution and cannot be stacked with the forthcoming grant.

In order to ensure that there are sufficient funds in the Woodman Pool Replacement project accounts and the City is fully compliant with the grant application parameters, staff is recommending that the \$1.9 million in funding from the Canada Community Building Fund be transferred to another project that can utilize federal funds, and be replaced with funding from the Capital Funding Envelope.

The Colborne Street East Slope Stabilization project EV1701 has \$2,529,509 in funding currently from the Capital Funding Envelope. Should this report be approved, the funding sources for Colborne Street East Slope Stabilization, Woodman Pool Replacement and Woodman Community Centre – Playground Design and Construction projects will be adjusted, and \$1.9 million in funds from the Canada Community Building Fund will be sent from PK2018 to EV1701. The

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\$1.9 million in funds from the Capital Funding Envelope will be sent from EV1701, and separated by way of \$1.7 million to PK2018 and \$200,000 to PK2118.

The Woodman Pool Replacement Request for Tender (RFT) closed on October 20, 2022 with the lowest bid received of \$4,398,817. The current estimated project total cost, including Contract Administration, inspection, internal staff time and contingency, totals \$5.21 million. This approved transfer, in combination with the grant funding, will bring the value within the capital project account to \$6.75 million. Any remaining municipal funds will be returned to their respective reserves.

## **6.0 Financial Implications**

As detailed in the Analysis section, Staff recommend funding adjustments as detailed for the two projects.

Due to Federal grant stacking restrictions, Staff recommend \$1.9 million in funds from the Colborne Street East Slope Stabilization project (EV1701) funded from the Capital Funding Envelope will be transferred and separated to the Woodman Community Centre projects. \$1.7 million will be transferred to the Woodman Pool Replacement project (PK2018) and \$200,000 will be transferred to the Woodman Community Center – Playground Design & Construction project (PK2118). Additionally \$1.9 million in funds from PK2018 funded from the Canada Community Building Fund will be transferred to EV1701. This transfer of funds will ensure that the City is able to utilize the full federal contribution coming from the forthcoming grant.

## **7.0 Conclusion**

This Report has recommended the transfer of \$1.9 million in funds between the Colborne Street East Slope Stabilization (EV1701), Woodman Pool Replacement (PK2018) and Woodman Community Centre – Playground Design and Construction (PK2118) projects to ensure that staff is able to utilize the full federal contribution from the forthcoming grant approved for the Woodman Pool Replacement project.

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In adopting this report, is a by-law or agreement required? If so, it should be referenced in the recommendation section.

By-law required ☐ yes ☒ no

Agreement(s) or other documents to be signed by Mayor and/or City Clerk ☐ yes ☒ no

Is the necessary by-law or agreement being sent concurrently to Council? ☐ yes ☒ no