

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 29, 2013

Item 1, Report No. 1, of the Finance and Administration Committee, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on January 29, 2013.

1 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT FUND (CIIF) GRANT AWARD

The Finance and Administration Committee recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer and the Director of Budgeting and Financial Planning, dated January 14, 2013:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer and the Director of Budgeting and Financial Planning recommend:

1. That pursuant to the requirements of the Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund, Council enter into contribution agreements (11 in total) with Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (FedDev Ontario) regarding the awarded CIIF projects detailed in Attachment 1; and
2. That the Draft 2013 Budget and 2014-2016 Plan be adjusted to reflect the CIIF Grant award, including advancing awarded projects to 2013 and adjusting associated project funding sources; and
3. That the additional 2013 capital from taxation budget requirement in the amount of \$38,903, to accommodate the matching requirements of the awarded CIIF projects, be funded from available funds released as a result of closing completed capital projects in Q3 2012.

Contribution to Sustainability

Financial sustainability is defined as the enduring ability of the City to ensure that it can deliver the level and types of programs and services to the community, while proactively assessing and managing associated risks, at acceptable levels of taxation and fees. Infrastructure financing has become a priority for all municipalities and leveraging grant availability from the Federal and Provincial levels of government, as they are offered, is part of the City's overall financial strategy, which contributes directly to municipal sustainability.

Economic Impact

The Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario approved 14 of the 22 applications submitted for the Community Infrastructure Improvement Grant (CIIF). The City of Vaughan was awarded a total of \$436,761 representing the one third share of projects with a total budget of \$1,310,300 (41% of the original submission). The CIIF award can be accommodated within the City's overall draft budget without further pressure on the tax rate. However, the following capital budget adjustments will be required:

- Awarded CIIF projects will be advanced to the 2013 budget, in order to fulfill grant completion requirements;
- Awarded CIIF capital project sheets and associated reserve forecasts will be adjusted to reflect the associated grant funding;
- The 2013 capital from taxation budget will require a one-time increase of \$38,903 to accommodate the matching requirements of the awarded CIIF projects. This balance will be funded from available funds released as a result of closing completed capital projects in Q3 2012;
- Submissions that were not successful and dependant on grant funding will be allocated to future budget years.

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The list of the awarded CIIF projects is as follows:

<i>CIIF PROJECTS AWARDED</i>	<i>PROJECT COST ESTIMATE</i>	<i>AWARD @ 33.3%</i>
Garnet A. Williams CC - Floor Replacement	36,100	12,033
<i>BUILDING AND FACILITIES RESERVE SUB-TOTAL</i>	<i>36,100</i>	<i>12,033</i>
Glen Shield Park-Playground Replacement & Safety Surfacing	248,000	82,666
Mackenzie Glen Play Ground Replace Rubber Safety Surfacing	201,500	67,166
Dufferin District Park: Tennis Court Rehabilitation	139,300	46,433
Vaughan Crest Park Bocce Court Re-development	137,000	45,666
York Hill Park-Tennis Court Replacement	56,700	18,900
McClure Meadows Park-Splash Pad	25,800	8,600
Maple Lion Park Splash Pad	25,800	8,600
Mackenzie Glen Park Replace Splash Pad Surfacing	61,800	20,600
<i>PARKS INFRASTRUCTURE RESERVE SUB-TOTAL</i>	<i>895,900</i>	<i>298,631</i>
Dufferin Clark C.C. Relocate Seniors Room To The Ground Floor	50,600	16,866
Dufferin Clark C.C. Seniors Accessible Washrooms	51,500	17,166
Father Ermanno CC Out Door Rink	113,300	37,766
Maple Baseball Diamond Fencing Extension	32,000	10,666
Sonoma Heights Park - Fencing Extension	30,900	10,300
Ainsley Grove Library (AODA Standards @ Front Counter)	100,000	33,333
<i>CAPITAL FROM TAXATION SUB-TOTAL</i>	<i>378,300</i>	<i>126,097</i>
<i>TOTAL ALL APPROVED CIIF PROJECTS</i>	<i>1,310,300</i>	<i>436,761</i>

Communications Plan

The approval for CIIF funding is conditional upon contribution agreements (CA) being signed by the City of Vaughan and the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (FedDev Ontario). Each CA (11 in total) will outline the communication requirements including news releases, signage and the City Website.

Purpose

To provide Council with the results of the August 2012 CIIF grant submission.

Background - Analysis and Options

On July 5, 2012, the Minister of State for the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario launched the Ontario allocation of the Community Infrastructure Investment Fund (CIIF). The fund will provide \$49.6 million over two years for the repair and upgrade of community and recreational facilities across Ontario. The CIIF may provide up to 50% grant funding for eligible projects, but will give priority to projects that require a CIIF contribution of only 33.3%.

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The City of Vaughan submitted a prioritized list of 22 applications totalling \$3,194,200 (Attachment 1) endorsed by Council at a Special Council Meeting on August 1, 2012. FedDev Ontario has awarded the City of Vaughan a total of \$436,761 as its one third share of 14 applications totaling \$1,310,300, 41% of the amount requested.

On December 18th, the City received Contribution Agreements (CAs) for each approved project (11 in total). Each CA must be signed and accompanied by a resolution of Council referencing the following:

- The entering into of a contribution agreement for funding under the Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund; and
- The name of the project

Awarded projects must be substantially completed by March 31, 2014. Final reporting on award projects is due on June 30, 2014.

The projects approved were included in the 2013 Capital Budget and 2014-2016 Capital Plan. In some cases, awarded projects scheduled for later Capital Plan years will need to be advanced to the 2013 Capital Budget year.

Funding - Parks Infrastructure and Building and Facilities Reserves

The CIIF grant funding reduces the funding required from the Parks Infrastructure Reserve and the Building and Facility Reserve.

All awarded projects in these categories were included in the 2013 Capital Budget.

2013 Capital Budget	Parks Infrastructure Reserve	Building & Facilities Reserve
Proposed Budget	1,110,300	2,910,610
Less CIIF Grant Funding	(298,631)	(12,033)
Revised 2013 Budget	811,669	2,898,577
Change to 2013 Budget	(298,631)	(12,033)

Funding - Capital from Taxation

As a result of advancing awarded CIIF capital projects, a one-time increase in the amount of \$38,903 is required and will be funded from available funds released as a result of closing completed capital projects in Q3 2012. In addition, adjustments will be required to properly reflect future years. The following table illustrates the capital budget adjustments for the period 2013 – 2016.

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Capital From Taxation				
Project #	CIFF Projects	2013	2014	2017 & Beyond
PK-6366-14	Maple Community Centre - Baseball Fencing		32,000	
PK-6364-14	Sonoma Heights Community Park - Fencing Extension		30,900	
BF-8343-14	Dufferin Clark C.C. Addition of Accessible Washroom		51,500	
BF-8379-13	Father Ermanno Bulfon C.C. - Outdoor Rink	113,300		
BF-8283-17	Dufferin Clark Community Centre Relocate Senior's Room			50,600
LI-4533-13	AODA Compliant Circulation Desk Ansley Grove	100,000		
	Proposed Budget	213,300	114,400	50,600
	Reallocation to 2013	165,000	(114,400)	(50,600)
	Less CIIF Grant Funding	(126,097)		
	Change to 2013 Budget	38,903	(114,400)	(50,600)

Projects Not Awarded

The purpose of the CIIF grant was to support projects which municipalities would not have otherwise been able to undertake due to insufficient funds. As a result of this mandate, and a significant number of applications submitted for funding, not all requests were successful. With respect to the City of Vaughan, eight (8) submissions, comprising 13 capital projects, were not awarded CIIF funding as illustrated in the table below.

With the exception of CIIF funded from Capital from Taxation, some projects were advanced to 2013 from later years due to the potential for CIIF co-funding. However; projects not awarded CIIF funding will be moved forward to future budget years, unless otherwise advised. Discussion regarding these projects will continue as part subsequent budget processes.

Projects Not Awarded				
Project #	Description	Budget Amount	Revised Budget Year	Funding Source
* BF-8359-13	Chancellor District Park - Walkway Lighting Replacement	53,600	2014	Parks Infrastructure
* BF-8360-13	Alexandria Elisa Park Walkway Lighting Replacement	33,000	2014	Parks Infrastructure
* BF-8361-13	Beverley Glen Park Walkway Lighting Replacement	30,900	2014	Parks Infrastructure
* BF-8376-13	Giovanni Caboto Park - Walkway Lighting Replacement	30,900	2014	Parks Infrastructure
* BF-8377-13	Robert Watson Park - Walkway Lighting Replacement	33,000	2014	Parks Infrastructure
* BF-8386-13	Reeves Park - Walkway Lighting Replacement	33,000	2014	Parks Infrastructure
PK-6370-13	Uplands Golf & Ski Centre - Irrigation/Snow Making Water Systems	566,500	2014	Uplands Reserve
LI-4503-13	Bathurst Clark Resource Library Renovations-Phase 2	250,000	2014	B&F Infrastructure
LI-4535-13	Maple Library Upgrade to AODA Standards	100,000	2016	Taxation
EN-1867-17	Pedestrian Crossing Enhancement Program	206,000	2017	Taxation
EN-1904-12	Merino Culvert Replacement	463,500	2014	Roads Infrastructure
BF-8331-14	AL Palladini CC - Construct a Storage Room	30,900	2017	Taxation
BF-8237-13	Garnet A. William - Pool Area Wall Covering	52,600	2014	B&F Infrastructure
Total		1,883,900		
* City Walkway lighting projects submitted as on CIIF application totaling \$214,400.				

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

Not applicable

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Regional Implications

Not applicable

Conclusion

Staff recommend that Council enter into the contribution agreements provided by the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (FedDev Ontario) for funding under the Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund as required for the approved projects noted in this report. As a result of the award, the 2013 Capital Budget and 2014-2016 Capital Plan must be adjusted to advance approved CIIF projects to 2013. Projects not awarded will be moved forward and discussion will continue in subsequent budget processes, unless Committee/Council specifically directs otherwise. In addition, capital project sheets and reserve forecasts will be adjusted to reflect the 1/3 proceeds from the CIIF grant. There is a 2013 one-time addition budget requirement of \$38,903 to accommodate the matching requirements of the awarded CIIF projects, which will be funded from available funds released as a result of closing completed capital projects in Q3 2012.

Attachments

Attachment #1 – CIIF Original Submissions

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(A copy of the attachments referred to in the foregoing have been forwarded to each Member of Council and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)