# DECISION/DIRECTION NOTE

Title:	Streets Rehabilitation Program Contract #2
Date Prepared:	May 26, 2020
Report To:	Committee of the Whole
Councillor and Role:	Councillor Ian Froude, Public Works & Sustainability
Ward:	N/A

#### **Decision/Direction Required:**

Direction is required on the allocation of capital funds for the Grind & Patch component of the 2020 Streets Rehabilitation Program Contract #2.

#### **Discussion – Background and Current Status:**

The 2020 Streets Rehabilitation Program is divided into two separate contracts. Contract #1 generally covers the east end of the City and was awarded at the May 25 Regular Meeting of Council. Contract #2 generally covers the west end of the City and the tender was scheduled to close on May 27 but has been extended to May 28 to allow Council time to review this recommendation and provide direction. The Rehabilitation Program uses various methods to enhance and preserve city streets as well as prolong their useful lives before more costly repairs are required. The Grind & Patch component of the program falls into the latter category. The majority of the contract is funded from a Multi-Year Capital Works cost sharing program with the provincial government, however the Grind & Patch component is funded from the City's capital out of revenue budget giving Council discretion on this portion of program spending.

As Council is currently reviewing its capital budget to determine if priorities have shifted since the budget was first announced earlier this year, Council may wish to review the funds allocated to Grind & Patch in this program. The pretender estimate for the Grind & Patch component of Contract #2 is approximately \$360,000 and includes the following streets, in whole or in part:

Bay Bull's Road Columbus Drive Doyle's Road Old Petty Harbour Road Petty Harbour Road Southlands Boulevard Topsail Road Brookfield Road Cowan Avenue Main Road Pearltown Road Ruby Line Teakwood Drive Waterford Bridge Road

The Grind & Patch program is important to avoid premature deterioration of streets by removing and replacing deteriorated sections before they worsen. This not only improves the



rideability of a street but also extends its life before more costly rehabilitation methods are required or the street must be completely reconstructed. Failure to undertake this type of preventative maintenance will increase future rehabilitation costs, will increase the City's costs for pothole repair and add to the wear and tear on vehicles.

If Council wishes to reduce the spending on Grind & Patch, staff will further extend the tender closing date and modify the scope of work as directed.

## Key Considerations/Implications:

- 1. Budget/Financial Implications: Council is reviewing its capital spending priorities. There is approximately \$360,000 allocated to Grind & Patch in the 2020 Streets Rehabilitation Program Contract #2.
- 2. Partners or Other Stakeholders: N/A
- 3. Alignment with Strategic Directions/Adopted Plans: This aligns with the strategic direction of being Fiscally Responsible.
- 4. Legal or Policy Implications: N/A
- 5. Privacy Implications: N/A
- 6. Engagement and Communications Considerations: N/A
- 7. Human Resource Implications: N/A
- 8. Procurement Implications: The tender may have to be extended and the scope of work modified. This can be done if done prior to the scheduled closing date of May 28.
- 9. Information Technology Implications: N/A
- 10. Other Implications: N/A

## **Recommendation:**

That Council maintain the previously approved level of spending for Grind & Patch.

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