

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL

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DATE: August 17, 2021

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL

NAME AND TITLE: Deanna Wasnik, Acting Director Planning & Development

SUBJECT: 2021 Significant Capital Projects: Construction Update

ATTACHMENT(S): 2021 Significant Capital Projects Construction Update List
2021 Significant Capital Projects Construction Update Highlights
Presentation

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated August 17, 2021 from the Acting Director Planning and Development Services titled “2021 Significant Capital Projects: Construction Update”.

PURPOSE:

The following report and presentation is provided to Council for information as a construction update on active 2021 Significant Capital Projects.

DISCUSSION:

Administration has prepared a list of active 2021 Significant Capital Projects in order to provide Council with requested status updates. This includes capital projects with the following criteria:

- Those that have a budgeted or actual spending of \$1 million or more;
- Any debt-funded projects with no applied threshold; and,
- Any spending in the “Emergency Infrastructure Reinvestment” capital project with no applied threshold, as per Council resolution from January 25, 2021 Budget meeting.

The enclosed report provides project construction status updates. Council received a 2020 Significant & Debt Funded Capital Projects report from the Standing Committee on Finance & Audit at its regular June 14th, 2021 meeting. Financial updates are provided in a similar format twice a year with the next financial report expected to be brought to Council in Q4 2021.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

This report supports Council’s priorities of Sustainable Fiscal Management, Sustainable Infrastructure and Organizational Excellence.

This report summarizes construction updates for 2021 Significant Capital Projects in alignment with Council’s focus areas to prioritize infrastructure re-investment and renewal, as well implementation of policies and support practices that contribute to the effective, affordable, and predictable delivery of capital projects.

The associated 2021 workplan priorities associated to some of these 2021 Significant Capital projects include:

- Build off of the downtown arts strategy to seek government funding for a downtown arts hub that will enable the move of the Community Arts Council and its programming to 1310 – 3rd Avenue.
- Complete Ron Brent Park with amenities conducive to seniors' health and well-being.
- Continue construction of the new downtown pool, and plan for the demolition of Four Seasons Leisure pool and Fire Hall #1.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The 2021 Capital Expenditure Plan has been approved with a total value of \$105.4 million (inclusive of amendments to August 16, 2021) of capital projects. The carried forward portion for 2021 capital are valued at \$48.6 million.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION:

The report and presentation provided to Council for information to provide a construction status update for significant capital projects active in 2021.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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