

Municipality of Chatham-Kent
Infrastructure and Engineering
Engineering and Transportation

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Miguel Pelletier
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Date: May 25, 2015

Subject: 2015 Arterial and Collector Sidewalk Construction Program

Recommendation

It is recommended that:

1. The 2015 New Sidewalk Construction Program be approved.

Background

Council at its regular meeting held on Monday, February 13, 2012 amended the Sidewalk Policy to reflect a change in the financial costing format and prioritized areas for initial construction where there were currently no sidewalks within the existing priority matrix.

The priority matrix continues to assess the various sidewalk needs for arterial and collector roads with highest priority ranking given to areas with no alternative route and missing links sidewalks along with the other rating criteria.

Comments

The existing priority matrix has been filtered to those sections that have no sidewalks as per the direction and motion passed by Council. Based on these weighting criteria the list was developed with sections with the highest priority rating at the top starting with the sidewalk section on Sylvester Drive in Chatham.

The priority sidewalk listing is provided as Appendix "A" and is being recommended for the 2015 new sidewalk construction. In addition, the priority sidewalk listing provides a forecast of potential sidewalk construction for the subsequent two years, however, this

is subject to future funding approval, construction cost estimates and potential sidewalk criteria evaluation. The priority matrix currently has identified a total of in excess of \$7.0M of new sidewalk program needs and this new sidewalk program inventory is continually being updated.

With this year's 2015 New Sidewalk Program Priority List, two (2) of the five (5) new sidewalks identified provide sidewalk links and connectivity for Safe Route to Schools. These sidewalk sections are located in Chatham on Sylvester Drive and on Park Street in Dresden.

All sidewalks will be funded as per the amendment to the policy now approved by Council which is 100% funded by general rate for the sidewalks that meet the minimum point ratings as funding allocations are approved for any given year.

Letters will be sent out to those abutting residents advising them of the construction prior to works commencing under this new sidewalk construction program.

Council Directions

The recommendation in this report supports the following Council Directions:

- Jobs:**
Everyone in Chatham-Kent who wants to work is able to work in meaningful employment
 - People:**
Chatham-Kent is a welcoming community where people choose to live, learn, work, and play
 - Health:**
Chatham-Kent is a healthy, active, safe, accessible community within a healthy natural and built environment
 - Financial Sustainability:**
The Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent is financially sustainable
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- Has the potential to support **all** Council Directions
 - Neutral issues (does not support negatively or positively)

Consultation

There were no consultations undertaken in the preparation of this report.

Financial Implications

The 2015 Capital Budget allocation for new sidewalk construction is \$300,000. If tenders are favourable, additional sidewalk construction could be undertaken from the provisional listing.

The proposed new sidewalk construction has an estimated cost of \$2,000 per year, which will be reflected in the sidewalk winter maintenance budget.

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Attachments: Appendix "A" – Priority Ranking and Cost Estimate

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Priority Ranking and Cost Estimate

A) 2015 New Sidewalk Construction Program

Location		Section & Description			Length (m)
Community	Street	Start	End	Side	

2015 New Construction

Chatham	Sylvester Drive	St. Michael Avenue	West Limit (School)	South	137
Tilbury	Mill Street West	Lyon Avenue	28 Mill Street West	North	200
Dresden	Park Street	Chandler Street	Wilson Street (School)	South	480
Chatham	Park Lane	Park Avenue	Tweedsmuir Ave. East	West	575
Ridgetown	Erie Street South	79 Erie Street South	117 Erie Street South	West	509
Total 2015 Budget					\$300,000

Provisional New Sidewalk List

Potential 2016 Construction

Raleigh	Charing Cross Road	Sylvania Drive	Birmingham Lane (School)	West	455
Chatham	Bloomfield Road	Richmond Street	Park Avenue West	East	756
Blenheim	Marlborough St. North	Park Alley	Nazarene Road	South	430
Projected Total 2016 Budget					\$300,000

Potential 2017 Construction

Raleigh	Charing Cross Road	Birmingham Lane	Seventh Line (School)	West	350
Ridgetown	Main Street West	Henry Street	150 Main St. W. (School)	South	473
Chatham	Park Avenue West	Keil Drive South	Howard Road (School)	North	857
Projected Total 2017 Budget					\$300,000