

City of Saint John

Bi-Lateral Funding Application



Finance Committee – July 18, 2019 SAINT JOHN

Introduction

- In 2017 the Government of Canada announced a \$33 billion, 10 year funding agreement with Provinces and Territories under four funding streams:
 - \$20.1 billion for public transit;
 - \$9.2 billion for green infrastructure;
 - \$1.3 billion for community, cultural and recreation infrastructure;
 - \$2 billion for wide-ranging infrastructure needs in rural and northern communities.
- Province of NB signed the bilateral agreement in March of 2018. The agreement will provide more than \$673 million in federal funding over the next decade.
- Projects will be cost shared between Federal, Provincial and Municipalities.



- Cost Sharing for Municipalities
 - Federal Portion up to 40%
 - Provincial Portion minimum is 33%
 - Municipal Portion minimum of 27%
- The plan focuses on investments through climate lens.
- Climate change mitigation and adaptation must be considered for proposed investment.
- Province issued a call for proposals on May 7th under the Bilateral Agreement for the following funding streams
 - Green Infrastructure
 - Community, Culture, and Recreation Infrastructure
 - Rural and Northern Communities Infrastructure



- Submissions were due by June 28th.
- City of Saint John submitted two expressions of interest
 - Fundy Quay \$38,613,000
 - Green Infrastructure \$40,580,000
- Both projects focus on;
 - Climate Change
 - Adaptation, Resilience, disaster mitigation
 - Environmental Quality
 - Tax base growth
 - Infrastructure renewal



- Fundy Quay Redevelopment \$38,613,000 over 5 years
 - Federal Share \$15,445,200
 - Provincial Share \$12,742,290
 - City Share \$10,425,510
- Scope of Project
 - Soil remediation
 - Coastal Flood Protection & Structural Stability Advancement
 - Loyalist Plaza Upgrades, Pedway Connection, Waterfront Promenade
 - District Energy
- Successful funding will ensure the Site is ready for development, ensuring future tax base growth and is able to adapt to climate change.



- Fundy Quay Redevelopment
 - City Share \$10,425,510 over 5 years
- Project scope under Bilateral funding application is currently not part of the draft 10 year Long Term Capital Plan.
- Upon successful funding application, staff would bring forth a business plan per the Capital Budget Policy for formal Council approval.
- Recommendations on how the City would fund project would be a part of the business plan to ensure debt levels stay within the General Fund Debt Management Policy.



- Green Infrastructure \$40.58 million over 6 years
 - Federal Share \$16,232,000
 - Provincial Share \$13,391,400
 - City Share
 - General Fund (approx.) \$5,478,000
 - Utility Fund (approx.) \$5,478,000
- Project Scope
 - 7.75Km of storm separation focus in the uptown/central peninsula
 - Projects include new underground infrastructure, rebuilt roadways and sidewalks and street beautification.
 - Focus on the key growth area that may have possible restriction on development due to age of current infrastructure which majority dates back over 100 years.
 - This strategic investment in green infrastructure would optimize the use of these assets, improve environmental performance and importantly, support growth of the urban core and priority growth areas, making these areas more sustainable and attractive to development.



- Green Infrastructure City Share \$10,956,600 million over 6 years
 - General Fund (approx.) \$5,478,000
 - Utility Fund (approx.) \$5,478,000
- 2020 & 2021 Capital Budget includes \$3,869,100 City share related to projects funded under the Bilateral Agreement
 - General Fund \$2,050,650
 - Utility Fund \$1,818,450
- Asset Management Plan Projects identified are well past useful life
- Capital Budget Policy Projects identified are a high risk of failure
- Draft Long Term Capital Plan Plan currently identifies estimated cost and km of storm sewer separating to be done annually.
 Successful funding would mean more separation done sooner than anticipated benefiting the infrastructure deficit.

Questions?



