



**The Corporation of the Municipality Wawa
Staff Report**

Office of the Director of Infrastructure Services

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Subject

The purpose of this Report is to seek Council Approval and resolution to apply for Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF)

Summary of the Recommendation

It is recommended that Council approves the submission of an application for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund and commits to fund up to \$211,000, \$6,000 in year 2017, \$180,000 in year 2018 and 25,000 in year 2019 towards the project costs of \$2,100,000 between November 2017 and December 2019.

Summary of the Issues

A Top-Up for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund has been launched from the Province of Ontario. The Application for the 2017 intake of OCIF Top-Up application funding is due on September 27, 2017.

The project to Reconstruct Toronto Avenue from Klondike Street to Magpie Road was not in the 2017 Capital Budget and it has not been approved for the 2018 Capital Budget.

List of Stakeholders

- Rate Payers
- Council
- Staff
- Province of Ontario

Respectfully Submitted By:

Prepared By:

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Director of Infrastructure Services**

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to explain why the Municipality should apply for funding through the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund this year.

In addition, the purpose of this report is to recommend that council approves the submission of an application for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund and commits to fund up to \$211,000 towards the project costs of \$2,100,000 prior to the approval of the 2018 Capital Budget.

Analysis

The Top-Up application funding for Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund was received from the Ministry of Infrastructure on June 26, 2017. The OCIF is offering funding up to 90% of capital costs for projects on Infrastructure related to roads, water, bridge and wastewater throughout the Province. The deadline for applications for the 2017 OCIF Top-Up is due on September 27, 2017.

The Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund provides funding for the design, construction, renewal, rehabilitation and replacement of roads, bridges, water and wastewater. The project costs that are eligible are as follows: Environmental Assessment, Design/Engineering, Project Management/Contract Administration, Materials, and Construction costs.

There are a number of items that are required to be prepared for the application submission:

- Project Map
- Project Description
- Project Rationale
- Project Innovation
- Asset Management Plan
- Toronto Avenue Maintenance Plan or Strategy
- Project Proposal
- Assessment Report
- Road Needs Study

The IS and IT Departments will be able to provide some of the information listed above. The Municipality will also require assistance from Kresin Engineering to provide the remaining information.

The reconstruction of Toronto Avenue is from Klondike Street to Magpie Road. The scope of work required to reconstruct Toronto Avenue would consist of full depth

expanded asphalt stabilization, asphalt resurfacing, curb and gutter replacement, sidewalk replacement, storm replacement, water & sewer replacement. The project will be scheduled to be completed by the end of July 2019. However, the warranty period would continue until the following year.

The asphalt grinding from the milling operation required for this project can be recycled and used to stabilize highly travelled gravel road surfaces the Municipality is required to maintain.

Therefore, the IS Department is recommending an application be submitted for the 2017 OCIF Top-Up to reconstruct Toronto Avenue from Klondike Street to Magpie Road. This will extend the life of the roadways by 20 to 30 years and utilities by 60 to 80 years at an economical cost.

Financial/Staffing Implications

The reconstruction project for Toronto Avenue has been estimate to cost approximately \$2,100,000 (include HST). The Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund will cover up to 90% of these costs. As a result, the funds the Municipality must commit to is \$211,000 if the project is accepted by the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund. The committed funds for this project would come from reserves.

The funds would have to be split into three years due to the warranty period required for the project. \$6,000 in year 2017, \$180,000 in year 2018 and \$25,000 in year 2019 towards the project costs of \$2,100,000 between November 2017 and December 2019.

This project will decrease the future costs of maintenance of Toronto Avenue. This project will also lower the Municipality's Infrastructure deficit.

Policies Affecting Proposal

This project relates to the Municipal Business Plan under Key Direction #4: Infrastructure Renewal and under Key Direction #5: Community Strategic Plan Support.

This project relates to the Asset Management Plan under the Road Management Plan, Appendix A. According to the Road Management Plan, Toronto Avenue was scheduled for resurfacing in 2015. Furthermore, according to the Infrastructure Priority Classifications in Appendix I, Toronto Avenue is a priority 1.

If this project is approved, the project will require to be tendered according to Policy FT-002.

A council resolution/bylaw supporting the application is required as part of the submission of the application for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund.

Alternatives

Alternative 1

Do not submit an application for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund to reconstruct Toronto Avenue Road and utilities from Klondike Street to Magpie road. **Not Recommended.**

Alternative 2

Submit an application for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund to reconstruct Toronto Avenue road and utilities from Klondike Street to Magpie Road. **Recommended.**

Conclusion

The approval to submit an application for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund to reconstruct Toronto Avenue road and utilities from Klondike Street to Magpie Road will allow the Municipality to access funds from the Province of Ontario and resolve the sanitary line slope issues which causes a financial burden due weekly maintenance to be scheduled throughout the year and complaints from residents due to sewer blockages and freezing. In addition, this will allow the Municipality to reduce the maintenance costs in the future, and lower the Municipality's Infrastructure deficit.

If an application is not submitted, the Municipality might be forced in the future to reconstruct Toronto Avenue without funding from the Province of Ontario.

Recommendation

It is recommended that Council approves the submission of an application for the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund and commits to fund up to \$211,000 towards the project costs of \$2,100,000 prior to the approval of the 2018 Capital Budget.

Attachments

OCIF Top-Up Letter

Aerial Image of Toronto Avenue with sewer, water and storm lines.

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June 26, 2017

His Worship Ron Rody
Mayor
Municipality of Wawa
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Dear Mayor Rody:

As part of the largest infrastructure investment in Ontario's history, our government is committed to helping rural communities improve vital local infrastructure. That's why we are tripling the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) annually to \$300 million by 2019, and providing communities like yours with more stable, predictable and bankable OCIF formula funding.

This year, the Top-Up Application Component of OCIF is also increasing to \$100 million to help communities apply for additional funding to address larger critical infrastructure projects. I am pleased to inform you that we are now accepting proposals for the 2017 intake of OCIF Top-Up Application funding. **The Municipality of Wawa is eligible to apply for up to \$1,889,885.**

Your community may submit one project proposal, either individually or in partnership with another community. The deadline for submitting proposals for OCIF Top-Up Application funding is Wednesday, September 27, 2017, at 5 p.m.

Please note that this is a competitive application process that will assess projects primarily on their critical health and safety aspects. An assessment of the applicant's asset management plan will also be considered as part of this process.

For more information about OCIF, please visit our government's infrastructure funding [website](http://www.ontario.ca/municipalinfrastructure) (www.ontario.ca/municipalinfrastructure). Should you have any additional questions, please call OMAFRA's contact centre (1-877-424-1300) or email OCIFApps@ontario.ca.

Working together, we are investing to build Ontario up, grow our economy, create jobs across the province, and make everyday life easier for Ontarians.

Sincerely,

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Jeff Leal
Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
Minister Responsible for Small Business

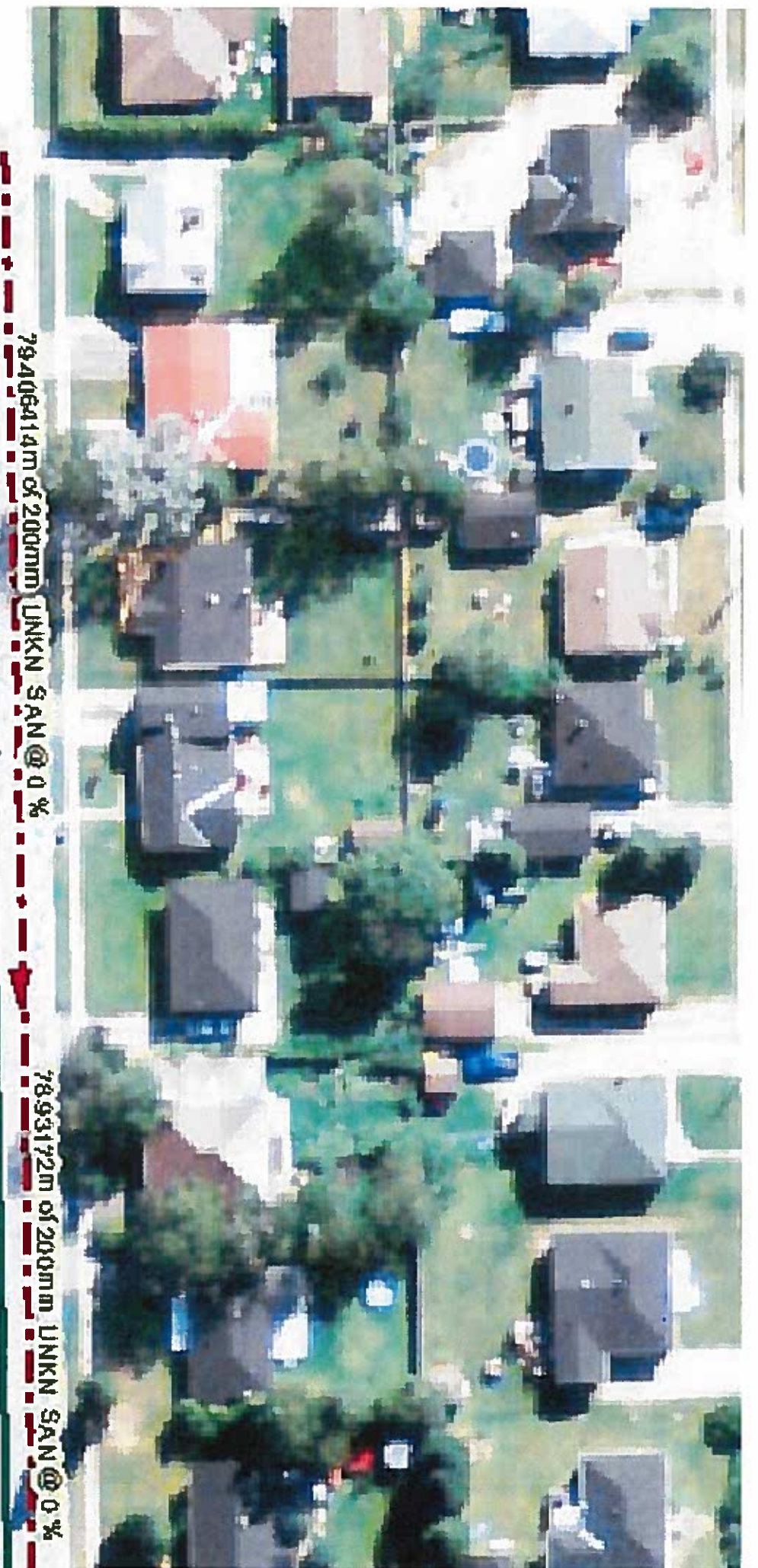
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Bob Chiarelli
Minister of Infrastructure



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