



COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, April 22, 2025

COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CIVIC SQUARE

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1. OPEN COUNCIL MEETING - 7:00 P.M.

1.1 LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1.2 NATIONAL ANTHEM

1.3 OPENING REMARKS

1.4 ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

1.5 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council Minutes of April 8, 2025.

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1.6 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

1.7 COUNCILLORS TO DETERMINE AGENDA ITEMS AND BY-LAWS TO
BE REMOVED FROM THE BLOCK FOR DISCUSSION IN
COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (OPEN)

2. ORAL REPORTS AND DELEGATIONS

2.1 PRESENTATIONS:

1.	Chief Bill Fordy, Superintendent Jay Nesbit and Inspector Dave Gomez, Niagara Regional Police Service, re: Update & Opportunities. Ref. No. 25-73 <u>(Background information included in Council members packages)</u> <u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation by the Niagara Regional Police Service regarding updates and opportunities; and further THAT Welland City Council directs staff to report back with further information or recommendations as appropriate.	14 - 31
2.2	LEGISLATED PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS - NIL	
2.3	DELEGATIONS - (10 minutes maximum per delegation) - NIL	
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3.	COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (OPEN)/AGENDA BLOCK	
3.1	Direct Appointment – Integrity Commissioner. Ref. No. 12-96	32 - 34
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4.	NEW BUSINESS	
4.1	Karen Usick, Registered Nurse, Hepatitis C Care Clinic, Community Coordinator, Niagara Health System re: Request to declare May 9, 2025 as "Canadian Viral Hepatitis Elimination Day" . Ref. No. 25-6 <u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND proclaims May 9, 2025 as "Canadian Viral Hepatitis Elimination Day" in the City of Welland.	67 - 69

- 4.2 Rachel Levy, Manager, Public Education & Marketing, Trillium Gift of Life Network re: Request to declare the month of April as "BeADonor Month". Ref. No. 25-6

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND proclaims the month of April as "BeADonor month" in the City of Welland.

5. BY-LAWS

- 5.1 A By-law to authorize exemption from condominium approval for 2812793 Ontario Inc. for lands described as Lots 13 to 18, Plan 951, City of Welland, municipally known as 35 Southworth Street. Ref. No. 03-82 (See Item 3.7)
- 5.2 A By-law to amend By-law 2006-193 to reflect the updated fees and charges effective January 1, 2025 (Housekeeping). Ref. No. 25-38
- 5.3 A By-law to amend By-law 2021-188 to reflect the updated fees and charges effective January 1, 2025 (Housekeeping). Ref. No. 21-15
- 5.4 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 132, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18294, (75, 67 Gunnel Road and 78, 70 Pogie Drive), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72
- 5.5 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 133, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18293, (63, 59 Gunnel Road and 66, 62 Pogie Drive), City of Welland. Ref. No.. 25-72
- 5.6 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 134, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18295, (55, 51 Gunnel Road and 58, 54 Pogie Drive), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72
- 5.7 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control- Block 135, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18296, (47, 43 Gunnel Road and 50, 46 Pogie Drive), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72
- 5.8 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 136, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18297, (39, 35 Gunnel Road and 42, 38 Pogie Drive), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72
- 5.9 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 137, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18298, (29, 25 Gunnel Road and 30, 36 Pogie Drive), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72
- 5.10 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 138, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18301, (19, 15 Gunnel Road and 20, 16 Pogie Drive), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72
- 5.11 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 139, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18302, (11, 5 Gunnel Road and 12, 6 Pogie Drive), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72
- 5.12 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 140, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18300, (11, 5 Pogie Drive and 12, 6 Feather Road), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72

- 5.13 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 141, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18303, (19, 15 Pogie Drive and 20, 16 Feather Road), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72
- 5.14 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 142, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18305, (29, 25 Pogie Drive and 30, 26 Feather Road), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72
- 5.15 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 143, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 6 (inclusive), 59R-18307, (43, 39, 35 Pogie Drive and 46, 42, 38 Feather Road), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72
- 5.16 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 144, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 6 (inclusive), 59R-18308, (59, 55, 49 Pogie Drive and 62, 58, 52 Feather Road), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72
- 5.17 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 145, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18299, (69, 65 Pogie Drive and 72, 68 Feather Road), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72
- 5.18 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 146, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18304, (79, 75 Pogie Drive and 82, 78 Feather Road), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72
- 5.19 A By-law to exempt certain lands from Part-Lot Control - Block 147, Plan 59M-530, Parts 1 to 4 (inclusive), 59R-18306, (95, 85 Pogie Drive and 98, 88 Feather Road), City of Welland. Ref. No. 25-72

6. NOTICES OF MOTION

- 6.1 COUNCILLOR MATTERS DISCUSSED WITH STAFF FOR REPORTING PURPOSES - (For the purpose of informing the public on a matter that has been discussed with staff since the previous Council Meeting)
- 6.2 NOTICES OF MOTION (PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED FOR DISCUSSION)

1. (Councillor Fokkens)
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to include all staff memorandums, resident correspondence, and responses to Council resolutions on future Council meeting agendas, including those that are informational in nature; and further
 THAT Welland City Council directs staff to update any relevant bylaws, policies, or procedures—such as the Council Procedural Bylaw or those governing the Council Information Package—to reflect that only non-actionable correspondence from external sources (including the Region, area municipalities, provincial or federal governments, political leaders, and residents who do not reside within the City of Welland) be included in the Council Information Package, rather than on the Council agenda. Ref. No. 02-160

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2. (Councillor Speck)
- WHEREAS, the public deserves to know where their tax dollars are being spent; and further
- WHEREAS, full disclosure and transparency are the foundation of good governance.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs to amend City of Welland Integrity Commissioner Procedures that all Integrity Commissioner reports shall be presented to Council regardless if there is or is not a contravention of the code or act. Ref. No. 12-96

3. (Councillor Chiocchio)
- WHEREAS, the hybrid work policy HR-2022-06 implemented and approved by this Council on December 20, 2022; and further
- WHEREAS, in the policy clearly states that this is not permanent.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Human Resources staff provide a report back to Council to phase in senior non union management and directors back at the respect facilities prior to this policy by Fall 2025. Ref. No. 22-23

6.3 CALL FOR NOTICES OF MOTION (TO BE INTRODUCED AT THE NEXT SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING)

7. CORPORATION REPORTS

7.1 MAYOR'S REPORT

7.2 COUNCILLORS WARD REPORT/ACTIVITIES - (2 minutes per Councillor)

7.3 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

8. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

8.1 A By-law to adopt, ratify and confirm proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Welland at its meeting held on the 22nd day of April, 2025.

9. ADJOURNMENT



CITY OF Welland

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 8, 2025 COUNCIL MEETING CIVIC SQUARE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS 60 EAST MAIN STREET

Council met in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:31 p.m. and in open session at 7:02 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Frank Campion in the Chair.

Members Present:

Councillors J. Chiocchio, T. DiMarco (virtual and was removed from the meeting at 10:49 p.m.), B. Fokkens (virtual), B. Green, J. Lee, D. McLeod, A. Moote, S. Setaram, G. Speck, and L. Van Vliet.

Members of Staff and Others Present:

Chief Administrative Officer, R. Axiak

Director of Legislative Services/City Clerk, T. Stephens

General Manager of Corporate & Enterprise Services/CFO, S. Nagel

Fire Chief & Community Emergency Management Coordinator, A. Eckhart (virtual)

Director of Community Services, J. Ruddell (until 10:12 p.m.)

Director of Infrastructure Services, SM. Millar (virtual)

Director of Planning and Development Services, G. Munday

Information Systems Manager/Network Administrator, S. Barnes (until 7:27 p.m.)

Supervisor of Parking & By-Law Enforcement, J. Cronshaw (7:02 p.m.)

Manager of Facility Operations & Development, F. Pearson (7:02 p.m. - 10:12 p.m.)

Manager of Transportation, A. Khan (9:30 p.m. - 10:35 p.m.)

2025 - 73**25-25**

Moved by Van Vliet and Moote

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND meet, with the Mayor as Chair, in Committee-of-the-Whole closed to the public at 6:32 p.m. to consider:

- Security of the property of the municipality or local board:
 - IT Strategic Plan.

CARRIED**2025 - 74****25-25**

Moved by McLeod and Moote

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND arise from its closed Committee-of-the-Whole meeting at 6:42 p.m. without report.

CARRIED**THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS ADDED:**

99-99 Report ENG-2025-07: Additional Funding Request - Rotary Park Parking Lot and Sand Area Design.

25-19 Report CS-2025-17: Arena Feasibility – Repair vs. New – recommendation was updated to the following: THAT Welland City Council chooses proceeding with repairing existing facilities or building a new facility.

PRESENTATIONS

24-60 Ian Shelly, Partner and Abdel Al-Sharif, Engagement Manager, Blackline Consulting addressed Council regarding the IT Strategic Plan.

25-28 Lynn Guerriero, President and Chief Executive Officer and Harpreet Bassi, Executive Vice President, Niagara Health System addressed Council regarding Investing in the future of healthcare.

2025 - 75**25-1**

Moved by McLeod and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND hereby approves and adopts the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 18, 2025, as circulated.

CARRIED**2025 - 76****99-49**

Moved by Chiocchio and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND, as sole Shareholder of Welland Hydro-Electric Holding Corp., requests and accepts excess funds of \$1,000,000 by way of a dividend from Welland Hydro-Electric Holding Corp.

CARRIED

2025 - 77**99-99** Moved by Chiocchio and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes additional funding for the detailed design of the Rotary Park Parking Lot and Sand Area as described herein.

CARRIED**2025 - 78****03-59****25-22** Moved by Lee and Green

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves Report TRAF-2025-02: Updates to the Clean Yards By-law and the Traffic & Parking By-law: Administrative Penalties and Municipal Parking Lots; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs the City Clerk to amend By-law 2019-135 and By-law 89-2000 as provided in APPENDIX I.

CARRIED**2025 - 79****08-95** Moved by Moote and Lee (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the appointment of the following directors of the North Welland Business Improvement Area Board of Management as selected by a vote of the membership of the improvement area: John Clark, Alanna Galeota, Cheryl Girard-Blais, Chad Scully, Justin Dayboll, Jeff Reuter, Dennis Rogers and Ryan Harrison.

CARRIED**2025 - 80****08-95****25-4** Moved by Moote and Lee (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the 2025 budget from the North Welland Downtown Business Improvement Area Board as presented on April 8, 2025 in the amount of \$59,180 and a \$2,320 levy to Seaway Mall; and further

THAT Welland City Council authorizes the General Manager of Corporate and Enterprise Services/CFO to make arrangements to levy an amount of \$59,180 against the business operations within the defined area and bill Seaway Mall by way of a special charge in the amount of \$2,320 on condition that the required financial statements are submitted to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Corporate and Enterprise Services/CFO.

CARRIED**2025 - 81****21-28** Moved by Fokkens and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the request from the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee for a table at the Niagara Unity Awards (approximately \$400) from the 2025 Advisory Committee Activity Account.

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21-28 Moved by Fokkens and
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the request from the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee for a table at the Niagara Unity Awards (approximately \$400) from the 2025 Advisory Committee Activity Account to only pay for members of the committee approximately.

NOT PUT

FOLLOWING THE ATTEMPT TO AMEND THE MOTION, THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM AND

YEAS: Mayor Campion, Chiocchio, Green, Lee, McLeod, Moote, Setaram and Speck.

NAYS: Fokkens and Van Vliet.

(Councillor DiMarco did not vote on this item).

CARRIED

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21-30 Moved by Moote and Lee (in block)
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the correspondence from the City of Thorold dated February 27, 2025 regarding Actions to Address Mental Health, Addiction and Homelessness.

CARRIED

2025 - 83

24-60 Moved by Lee and Moote
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation by Ian Shelly, Partner and Abdel AlSharif, Engagement Manager, Blackline Consulting regarding the IT Strategic Plan.

CARRIED

2025 - 84

24-60 Moved by McLeod and Setaram
 THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the City's Information Technology (IT) Strategic Plan; and further
 THAT Welland City Council approves hiring a Project Administrator as recommended in the plan to be funded through the Operating Surplus Reserve for the remainder of 2025.

CARRIED

2025 - 85**25-4**

Moved by Green and Lee

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes the Manager of Budgets and Financial Services/ Deputy Treasurer to request the Regional Municipality of Niagara to issue debentures in the amount of \$9,874,000 in accordance with the terms of the various authorizing By-laws outlined in Appendix I; and further

That Council directs the Manager of Budgets and Financial Services/ Deputy Treasurer to make available certified copies of all applicable By-laws and Ministry of Environment Certificates, if applicable and all other information required in connection thereto to ensure the authorization of the issuance of the debentures in the amount of \$9,874,000 for the projects outlined in Appendix I; and further

THAT Council directs the City Clerk to prepare all the necessary and appropriate By-laws for debenture financing arrangements.

CARRIED**2025 - 86****25-6**

Moved by Moote and Lee (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND proclaims May as "Leave a Legacy Month" in the City of Welland.

CARRIED**2025 - 87****25-15**

Moved by Moote and Lee (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the amendment to By-law 2006-193 to reflect the updated fees and charges; and further

THAT Welland City Council approves the amendment to By-law 2021-188 to reflect the updated fees and charges.

CARRIED**2025 - 88****25-19**

Moved by Green and Moote

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report CS-2025-17: Arena Feasibility – Repair vs. New; and further

THAT Welland City Council chooses proceeding with repairing existing facilities or building a new facility.

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Moved by Fokkens and Chiocchio

THAT Welland City Council refers back to staff Report CS-2025-17: Arena Feasibility – Repair vs. New.

YEAS: Chiocchio, DiMarco, Fokkens and Speck.

NAYS: Green, Lee, McLeod, Moote, Setaram and Van Vliet.

LOST

FOLLOWING THE LOST VOTE TO REFER, THE MAIN MOTION WAS PUT IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM AND

YEAS: Mayor Campion, Green, Lee, McLeod, Moote, Setaram and Van Vliet.

NAYS: Chiocchio, DiMarco, Fokkens and Speck.

CARRIED

2025 - 89

25-28

Moved by Setaram and McLeod

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the presentation by Lynn Guerriero, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Harpreet Bassi, Executive Vice President, Niagara Health regarding investing in the future of healthcare; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to bring forward financing options for Council's consideration at a future meeting.

YEAS: Mayor Campion, Chiocchio, DiMarco, Fokkens, Green, Lee, McLeod, Moote, Setaram and Van Vliet.

NAYS: Speck.

CARRIED

2025 - 90

25-66

Moved by McLeod and Lee

THAT COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves spending \$23,000.00 from the Building Permit Reserve Fund to install two additional level 2 electric vehicle (EV) charging stations (4 charging heads), three e-bike/scooter charging stations, three park benches and three bike racks behind City Hall.

CARRIED

2025 - 91

25-68

Moved by Green and Setaram

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND requests a staff report on a Pavement Rejuvenation Program for budget years 2025 and 2026 with no impact to the tax levy.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

Moved by Lee and Moote

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having given due consideration to the following By-laws, as reproduced in this evening's Council Agenda, now read a first, second and third time and pass same, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal same.

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BYL 2025 - 26

A By-law to amend By-law 2019-135, being a By-law to provide regulations for maintaining land in a clean and clear condition (Clean Yards By-law).

25-22

BYL 2025 - 27

A By-law to amend By-law 89-2000, being a By-law regulating Traffic and Parking with the City of Welland.

CARRIED

Moved by Moote and Lee (in block)

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having given due consideration to the following By-laws, as reproduced in this evening's Council Agenda, now read a first, second and third time and pass same, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal same.

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BYL 2025 - 28

A By-law to authorize application to the Regional Municipality of Niagara for the issue of debentures for the year 2025.

25-4

BYL 2025 - 29

A By-law to levy and collect property taxes and other amounts for the year 2025.

CARRIED

Moved by McLeod and Van Vliet

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND having given due consideration to the following By-law, as reproduced in this evening's Council Agenda, now read a first, second and third time and pass same, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal same.

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BYL 2025 - 30

A By-law to adopt, ratify and confirm proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Welland at its meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025.

CARRIED

Council adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

These Minutes to be approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 22nd day of April 2025.

Niagara Regional Police Service

City of Welland



NRPS MISSION STATEMENT

The Niagara Regional Police Service is dedicated to serving and protecting residents and visitors within the Regional Municipality of Niagara.

In partnership with the community, we shall provide quality policing services with integrity, diligence, and sensitivity.



POLICE PROGRAMS IN NIAGARA

Chief's Office

Chief's Office – Corporate Administration

- Deputy Chief Community Services
- Deputy Chief Operational Services
- Deputy Chief Support Services
- Corporate Communications
- General Counsel
- Strategic Planning and Innovation

Emergency Services

- Emergency Management and Planning
- Emergency Operations
- Emergency Response
 - K9
 - Marine
 - Emergency Task
 - Explosive Disposal

Operational Services

- Duty Office
- Communications
- RTOC

Community Services

- Frontline Patrol/Detective Offices
- Community Oriented Response and Engagement (CORE)
 - Indigenous Liaison
 - Equity, Diversity & Inclusion
- Traffic Management & Road Safety

Investigative Services

- Investigative Support
 - Special Victims
 - Domestic Violence
 - Sexual Assault
 - Child Abuse
 - Human Trafficking
 - Offender Management
 - Forensic Services
 - Internet Child Exploitation (ICE)
 - Technological Crimes
- Major Crime
 - Homicide
 - Polygraph
 - Fraud
 - Crimestoppers
- Special Investigative Services (SIS)
 - Intelligence
 - Major Drugs & Gangs
 - Opioid Enforcement and Education
 - Covert Operations
 - Mobile Surveillance
 - Joint Forces Operations



POLICE PROGRAMS IN NIAGARA CONTINUED

Operational Support and Projects

- Courts and Prisoner Management
 - Digital Evidence Management
- Records and Information Management
- Evidence Management

Executive Services

- Professional Development
 - Training
 - Labour Relations
- Member Support Unit, Service Psychologist
- Professional Standards Unit
- Policy & Risk Management

Human Resources

- Member Health and Wellness
 - Disability Management
 - Health and Safety
- Talent Acquisition and Development
 - Recruiting
 - Career development
 - Talent Acquisition
- Total Rewards and HR Systems

Technology Services

- Technology Systems
- Public Safety Radio
- IT Network & Support

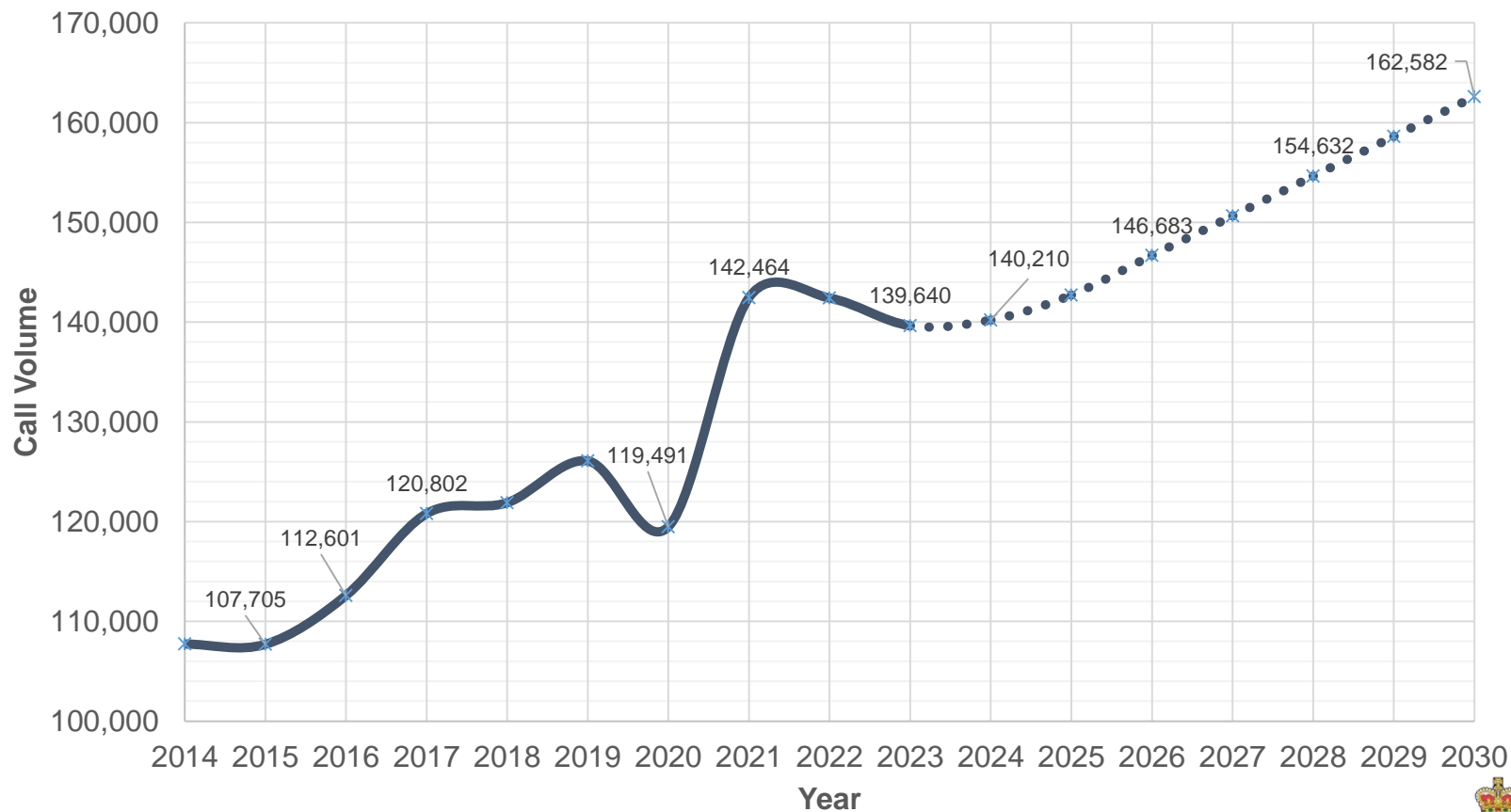
Finance and Asset Management

- Material Management
 - Quartermasters
 - Facilities
 - Fleet
- Finance



CALLS FOR SERVICE (BY YEAR)

Calls for Service 2014 - 2030

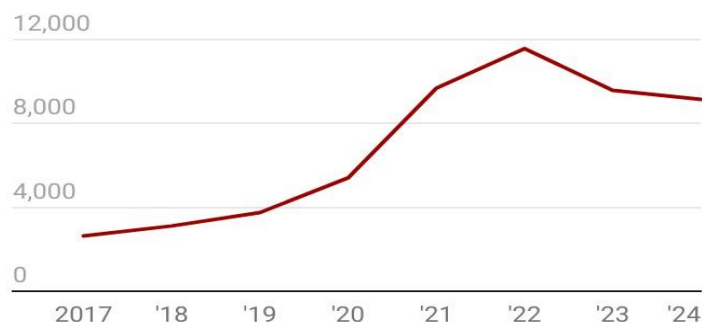


CALLS FOR SERVICE AND CASES 2017-2024*

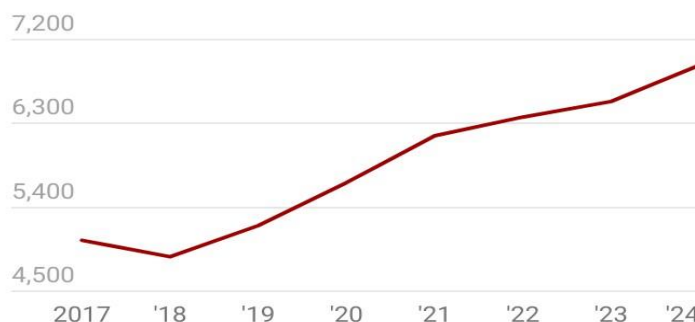
Calls for service and cases 2017-2024

*This chart presents the volume of calls for service related to Mental Health Act, Domestic Violence, and Armed/Barricaded persons using historical data, along with the actual number of homicides.

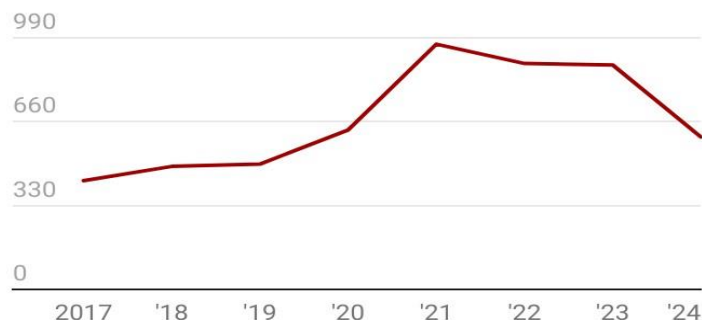
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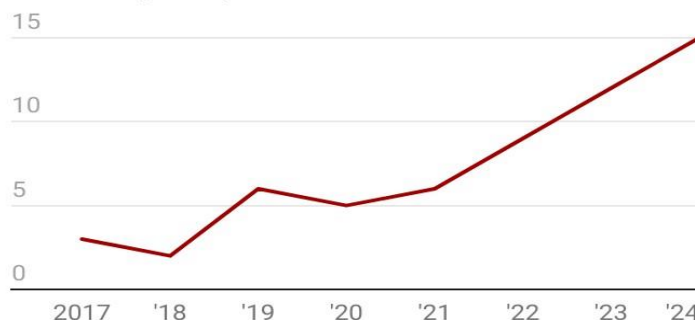
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Armed/Barricaded Person

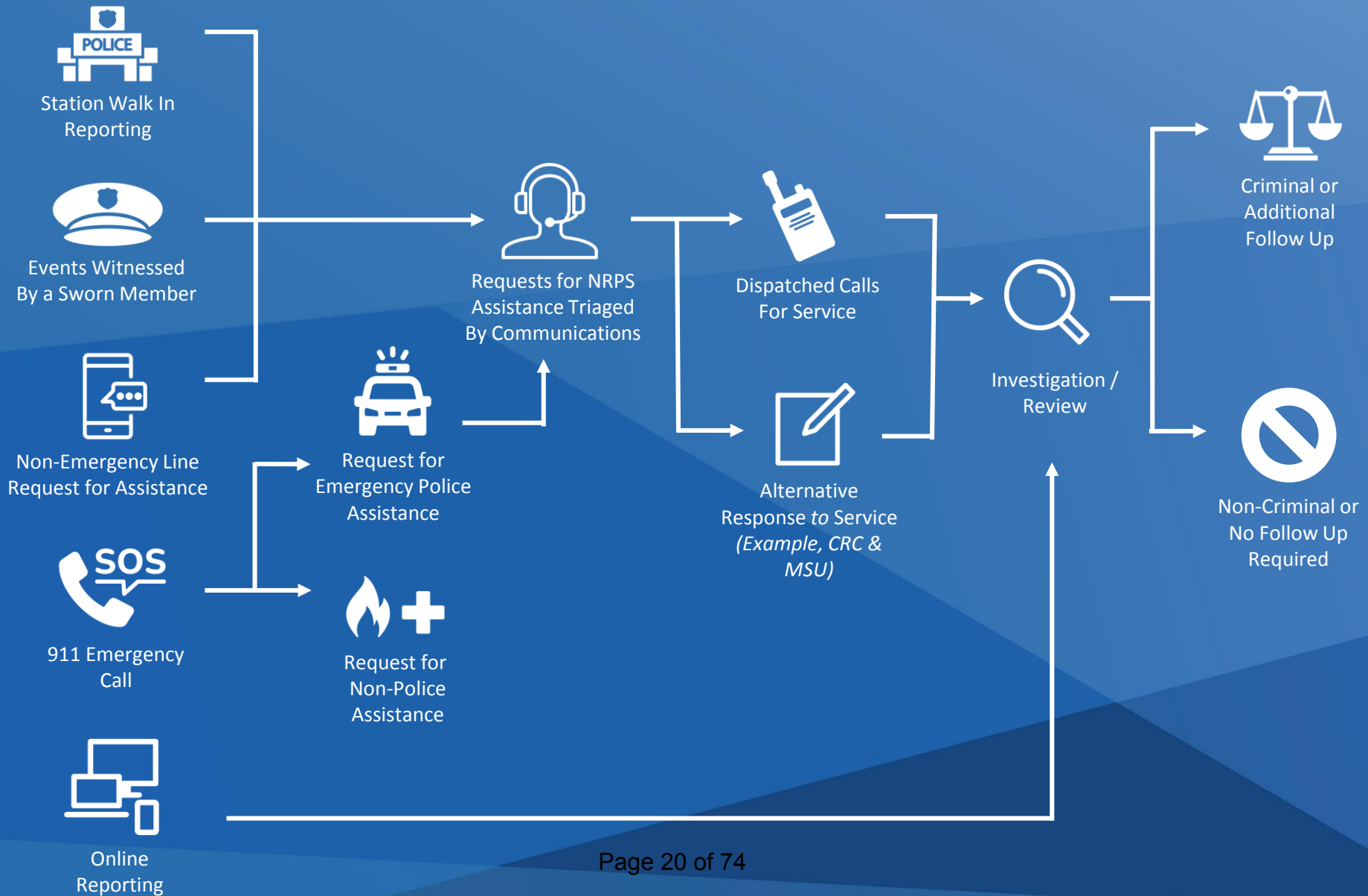


Homicide (Cases)

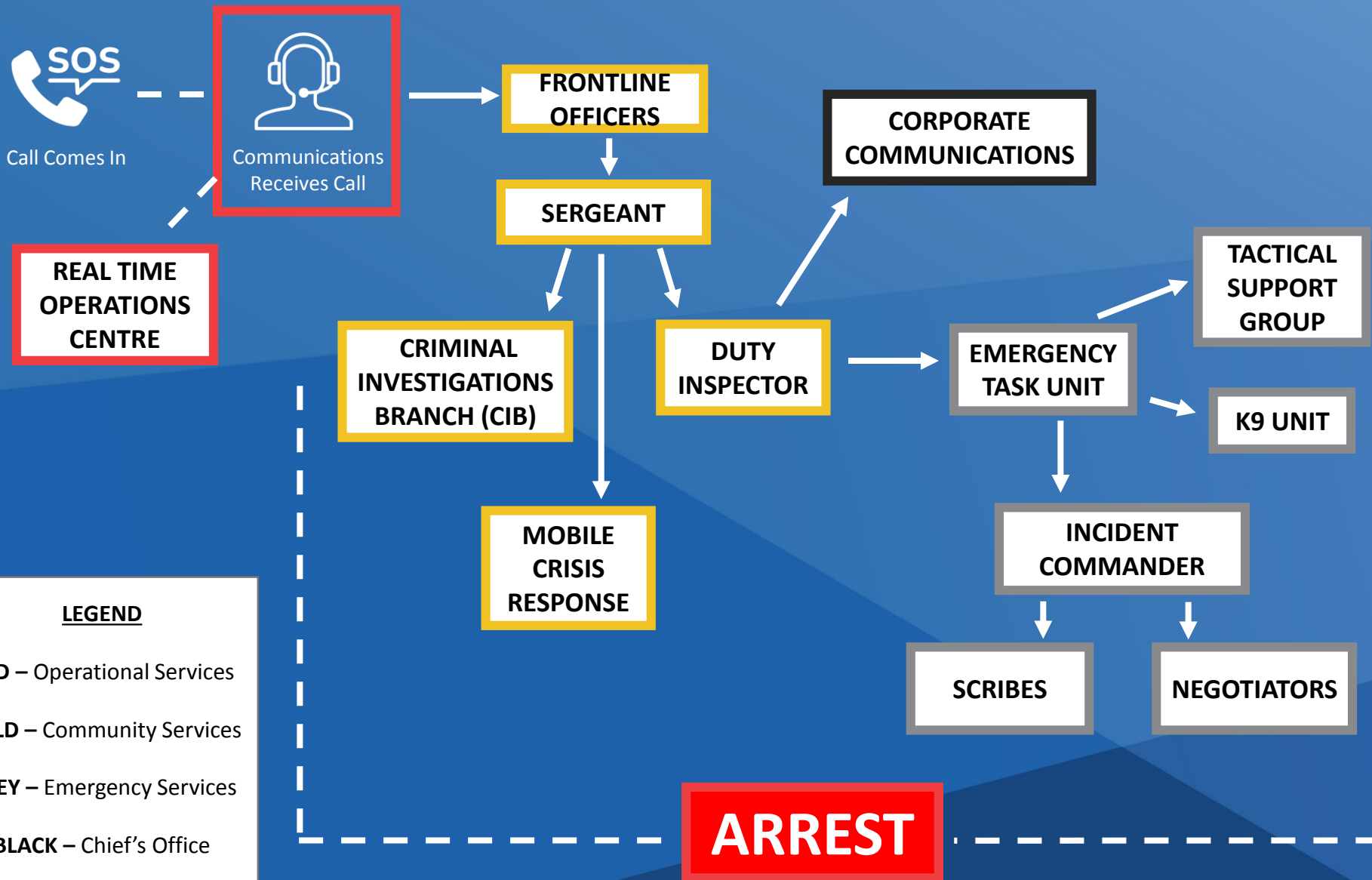


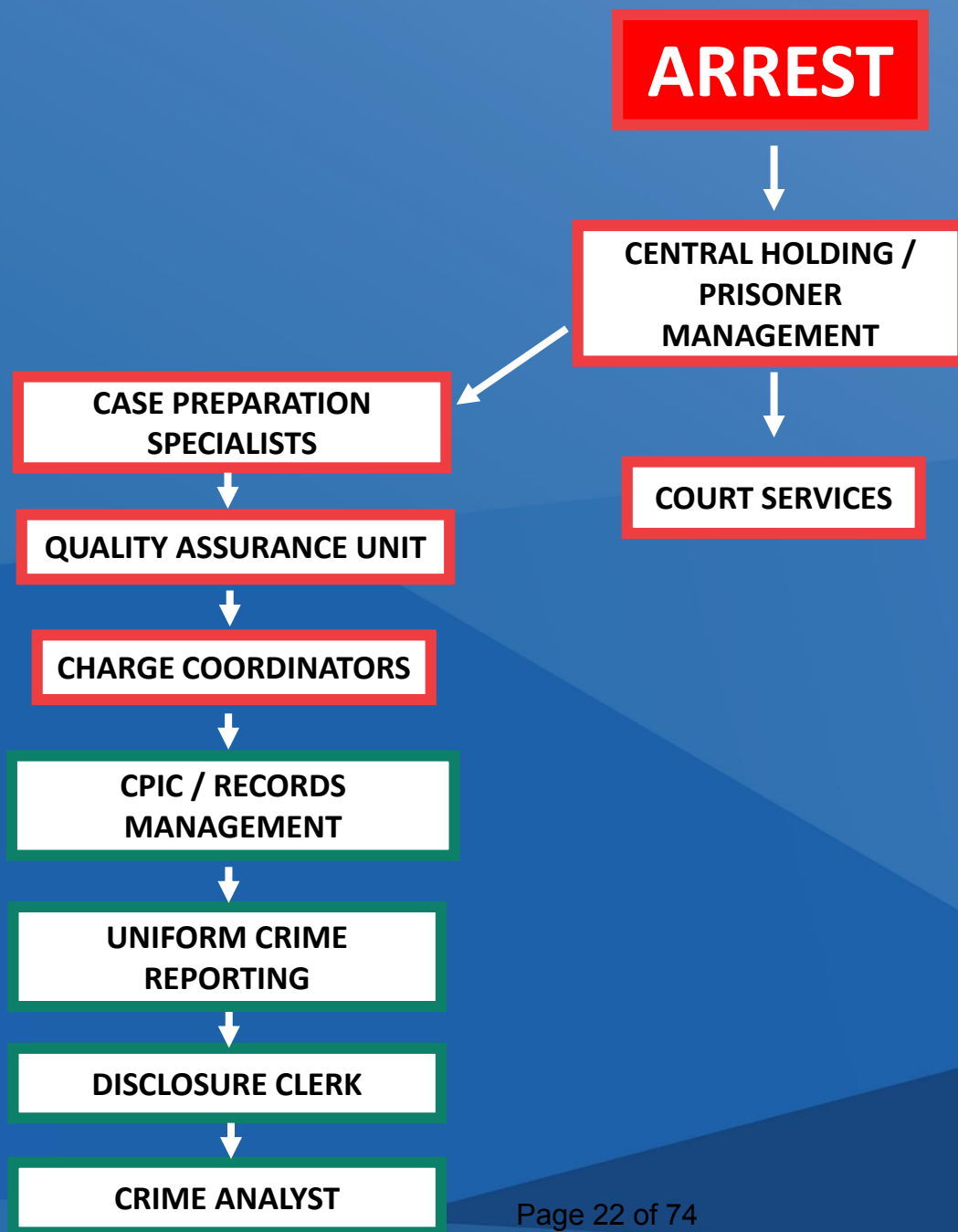
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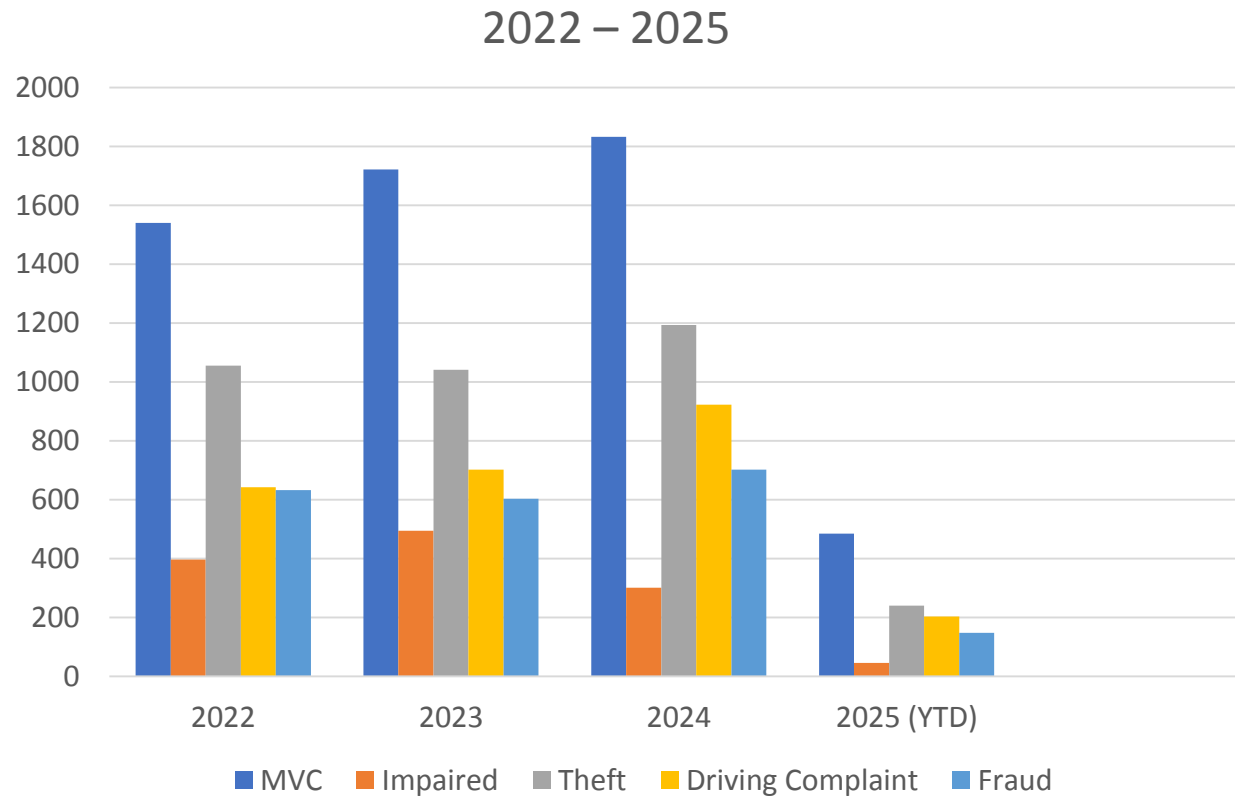
GOLD – Community Service

GREY – Emergency Services

BLACK – Chief's Office

GREEN – Operational Support and Projects

WELLAND TOP CALLS FOR SERVICE



WELLAND TRAFFIC/SPEED ENFORCEMENT

- 1513 Provincial Offence Notices issued in 2024 related to speed violations, along with 424 warnings
- Focused Speed Enforcement
 - Proactive patrol focus on rural areas
- Collaborative partnership with Niagara Region “Vision Zero”
 - Aims to make roads safer and eliminate injuries/fatalities across the Niagara Region
- Community Safety Zones
 - Rice Road (Regional Road 54) between Quaker Road and Woodlawn Road
 - Prince Charles Drive North (Regional Road 54) between Lacy Avenue and First Avenue



RTOC OBJECTIVE

Increase community safety and the effectiveness of police response in the City of Welland by:

1. Expansion of RTOC CCTV cameras in Welland
2. Federating City of Welland security systems with RTOC



RTOC

WHAT WE DO

- Access to approximately 500 Cameras. NRPS Controls over 85 cameras.



RTOC

RESPONSIBLE FOR

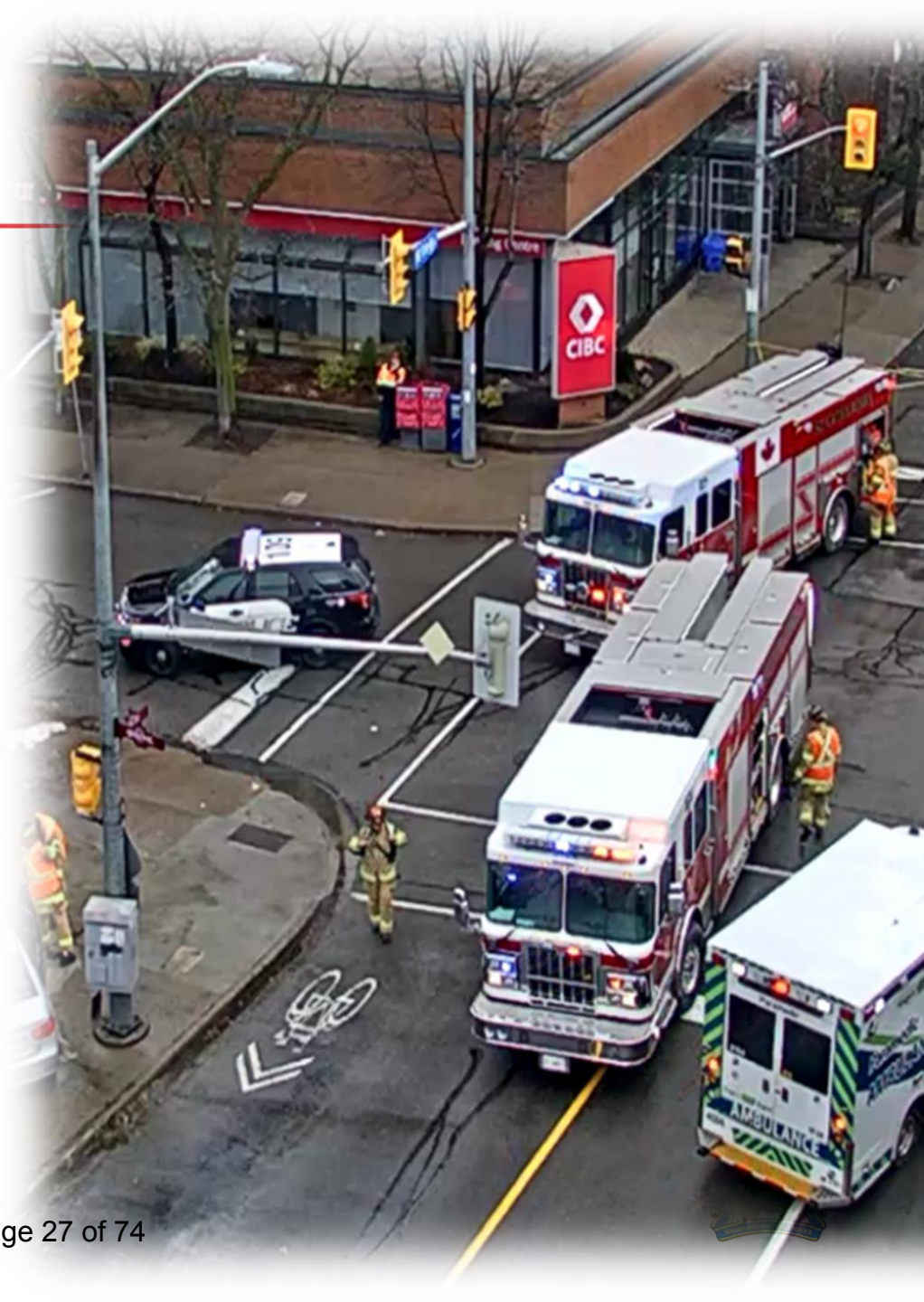
Maintaining situational awareness

Monitoring and assisting on calls for service

Accessing CCTV cameras to assist with emerging events

Searching all available databases

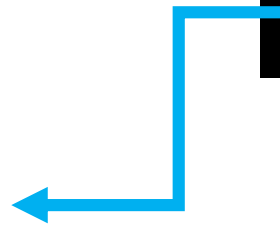
Conducting open-source queries



FEDERATING CITY SECURITY SYSTEMS WITH RTOC



From City Security System Cameras



To NRPS RTOC



Technical requirements

- Federation Between VMS
- Firewall requirements
- Network capacity requirements



WHAT THE NRPS RTOC DOES NOT DO

- Monitor or access cameras unless a call for service is initiated, ie. 911 call
- NRPS does not store footage: Partner agency retains/stores all video, RTOC does not have access to stored video.
- Investigations requiring footage from City of Welland security cameras would make requests for copy of footage as normal.
- Federating is not security monitoring, and it does not replace existing security measures.



CRIME PREVENTION & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Lock it or Lose it campaign
- Park and Premise Checks
- Downtown Foot Patrol



QUESTIONS?



COUNCIL MEETING
OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

REPORT CLK-2025-06
April 22, 2025

SUBJECT: Direct Appointment – Integrity Commissioner

AUTHOR: Tara Stephens, Director of the Legislative Services/City Clerk

APPROVING: Rob Axiak, Chief Administrative Officer

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the direct appointment of Hunter Legal LLP, for Integrity Commissioner Services.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The recommended appointment supports the City's commitment to openness, transparency, and accountability in local government. Maintaining an independent Integrity Commissioner reflects the City's dedication to ethical leadership and reinforces public confidence in the decision-making processes of Council and its local boards. This proactive step strengthens the City's framework for integrity and ensures that clear, accessible avenues for oversight and accountability remain in place.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The current contract for Integrity Commissioner services is coming to an end on April 30, 2025. The City issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit interest in the provision of Integrity Commissioner services, however, no proposals were received. Given the lack of response and urgency in maintaining continuity of service, staff are recommending a direct appointment in accordance with external legal advice received.

BACKGROUND:

The Municipal Act, 2001 requires municipalities to appoint an Integrity Commissioner who is responsible for providing advice and conducting investigations related to the Code of Conduct and other related matters. To comply with the legislative requirement, the City issued an RFP seeking qualified candidates to provide these services.

Despite promoting the opportunity, the RFP did not generate any submissions:

- No applications were received by the closing date.
- Few interested parties accessed the RFP document.
- ADR Chambers, a known provider of Integrity Commissioner services, did not retrieve the RFP.

DISCUSSION:

In the absence of responses to the RFP, staff sought guidance and a recommendation from external legal counsel. External legal counsel recommended a potential appointee and confirmed that a direct appointment would be appropriate under the circumstances, provided the process is fair, transparent, and well-documented.

Staff reviewed the recommendation and held internal discussions with Rebecca Hines of Hunter Legal LLP. Based on this review, staff are recommending the direct appointment of Rebecca Hines, through Hunter Legal LLP, to serve as the City's Integrity Commissioner. This approach aligns with the advice received and ensures the City continues to meet its legislative obligations.

Since 2018, Ms. Hines has built a focused legal career in municipal law, beginning at a leading Bay Street firm and later working in-house at a large regional municipality. This trajectory has given her direct insight into the legal, procedural, and political complexities of municipal governance—knowledge that is essential to the Integrity Commissioner role.

She currently leads the Municipal Law practice at Hunter Legal LLP, providing expert advice on a wide range of legislation relevant to ethical and accountable governance, including:

- The Municipal Act, 2001
- The Municipal Conflict of Interest Act
- The Municipal Elections Act, 1996
- The Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA)
- Human rights and accessibility legislation

Her litigation and tribunal advocacy experience enhances her ability to conduct investigations with fairness, procedural rigour, and adherence to due process—core expectations for an Integrity Commissioner. She has authored and co-authored numerous professional publications analyzing complex topics such as bias, closed meetings, and remedial measures under codes of conduct.

Ms. Hines has also demonstrated thought leadership in the sector, including as a presenter at municipal conferences and as a guest lecturer on municipal accountability and transparency at Osgoode Hall Law School.

Her experience investigating sensitive matters, navigating complex ethical issues, and delivering well-reasoned, articulate findings makes her exceptionally qualified to fulfill the responsibilities of Integrity Commissioner with independence, clarity, and confidence.

FINANCIAL:

Budget provisions for Integrity Commissioner services are already allocated within the approved operating budget.

ATTACHMENT:

None.

COUNCIL MEETING
INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES / ENGINEERING

REPORT ENG-2025-010
April 22, 2025

SUBJECT: Direct Appointment - Consulting Construction Inspection Services for Ontario Road Sanitary Trunk Sewer - Phase I

AUTHOR: Joshua Trim, P.Eng.
Senior Project Manager

APPROVING: Sherri-Marie Millar, P.Eng.
Director of Infrastructure Services / City Engineer

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND direct staff to enter into a contract with Kerry. T. Howe Engineering Limited for contract administration and inspection services for the Ontario Road Sanitary Trunk Sewer – Phase 1 project at a cost of \$142,060.00 (plus HST).

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This recommendation is aligned to Council's strategic priority of ensuring "**Economic Growth**" for creating a diverse economy through partnerships and emerging markets to ensure sustainable growth and quality employment.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

To address basement flooding and sewer surcharging within the Ontario Road catchment as a result of high inflow and infiltration, a multi-phased project to install a new trunk sanitary sewer was recommended in the City's 2022 wastewater servicing plans and further detailed in the Commercial Street Master Servicing Plan.

Supported by a provincial HEWSF grant, the Ontario Road trunk sanitary sewer is critical infrastructure for the city and must be completed by December 2025 to meet funding deadlines. Given the scope of the project, complexity of the trenchless construction method and the need for ongoing oversight, staff recommend consultant assistance in managing the project through construction.

As the engineering designer of the Ontario Road sanitary trunk sewer, Kerry. T. Howe Engineering Limited (KTH) has an unparalleled understanding of the project. Together with their significant expertise and vested interest in the successful outcome of the project, KTH is uniquely suited to conduct this work. To that end, staff are recommending the direct appointment of KTH for contract administration and inspection services for the quoted price of \$142,060.00 (excluding HST) to ensure timely and successful project delivery.

BACKGROUND:

The Ontario Road sanitary catchment in the City of Welland has a history of basement flooding and surcharging sanitary sewers during wet weather events due in part to high stormwater inflow and infiltration (I&I).

The Pollution Prevention Control Plan Update and Wastewater Master Servicing Plan (GMBluePlan, June 2022) recommended a high level multi-phased project for the installation of a new trunk sanitary sewer on Ontario Road. The recommendations were further defined in the report for the Commercial Street Area Master Servicing Plan prepared by Kerry T. Howe Engineering Limited (KTH) for the Ontario Road catchment.

After submitting the highest scoring consulting design proposal, KTH was retained by the city in 2022, as per ENG-2022-21, to complete the design of the Ontario Road Trunk Sanitary Sewer – Phase 1 project.

Further to the ENG-2024-05, the City obtained funding through a successful Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund (HEWSF) application, enabling the City to complete this significant project. Importantly, to meet the funding deadline of March 31, 2027, Ontario Road Trunk Sanitary Sewer – Phase 1 will need to be completed by December 2025, to allow construction to begin on Phase 2 in 2026.

DISCUSSION:

Further to a staff request, KTH submitted a proposal for the provision of construction administration, full-time inspection, and preparation of record drawings for the first phase of the Ontario Road trunk sanitary sewer construction. The proposal price for the requested services is \$142,060.00 (excluding HST).

The Ontario Road Trunk Sanitary Sewer project is significant for the City of Welland. The importance of this new infrastructure has been recognized by the province and supported through the HEWSF grant. As with any project of this scale, construction coordination, scheduling, inspection and liaison will be key to reaching a successful completion. Additionally, the trenchless method of construction requires complex submittals and a constant, dedicated inspection presence. To that end, staff are recommending consultant support in managing this project to mitigate potential negative impacts on the public while ensuring timely delivery of the works to remain compliant with the terms of the provincial funding.

As the engineering designer of the Ontario Road sanitary trunk sewer, KTH has an unparalleled understanding of the project. Together with their significant expertise and vested interest in the successful outcome of the project, KTH is uniquely suited to conduct this work.

FINANCIAL:

All project costs and funding are summarized below.

Description of Project Costs	Amount
Ward and Burke Microtunnelling Ltd. Construction Fees	\$7,330,125.85
Material Testing and Quality Control (2%)	\$146,602.52
Kerry T. Howe Engineering Contract Administration and Inspection Services Fees	\$142,060.00
<i>Sub Total:</i>	<i>\$7,618,788.37</i>
City's Portion of HST (1.76%)	\$134,090.68
Total Anticipated Project Costs	\$7,752,879.05

Description of Project Funding	Amount
Ontario Road Trunk Sanitary Sewer Phase I - Construction (10-320/327/330-25705)	\$15,062,256.00
Total Approved Construction Funding	\$15,062,256.00

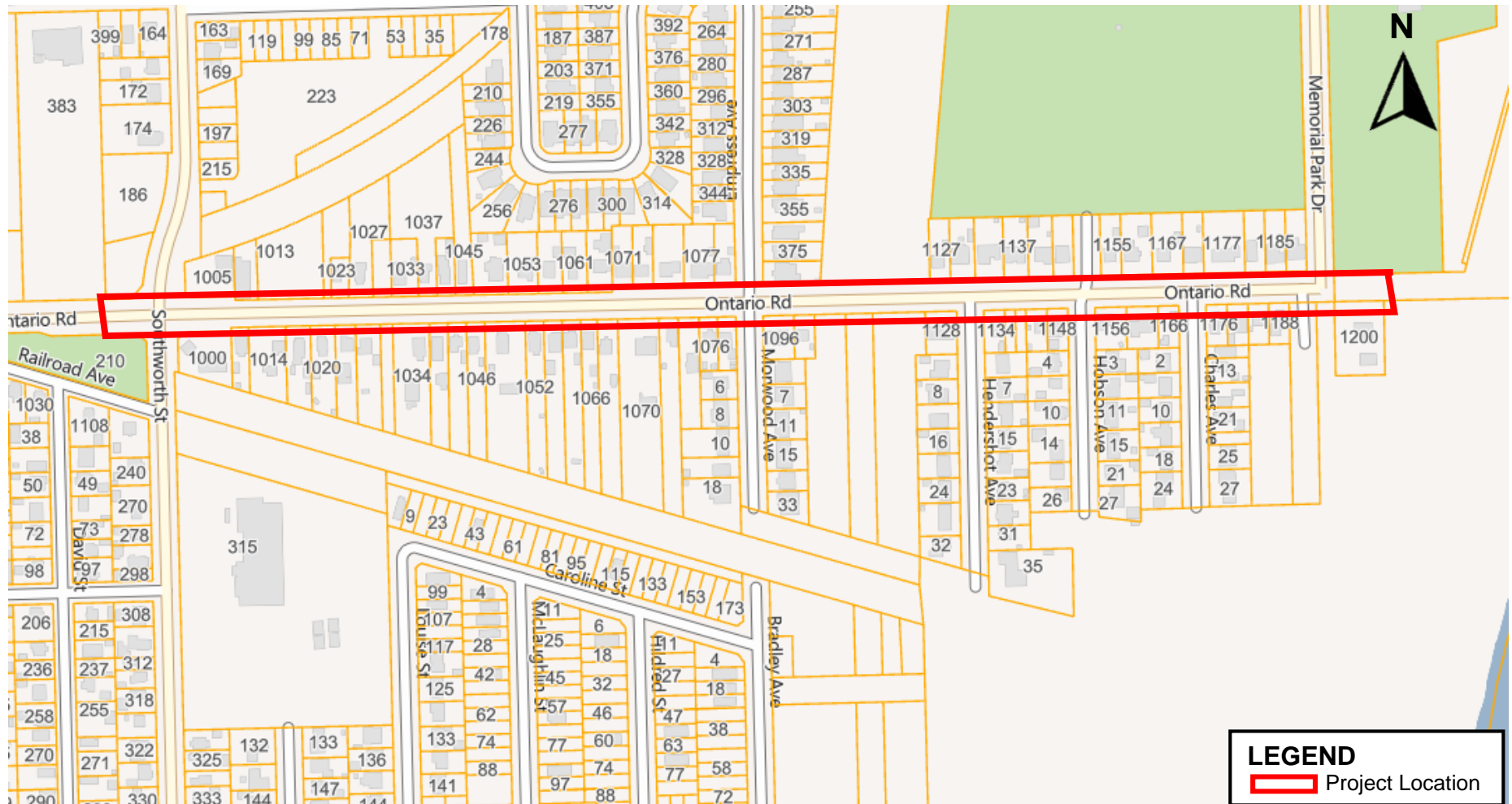
The total anticipated cost of the consulting services plus 1.76% HST is \$144,560.26. The approved funding is sufficient to cover the anticipated costs.

KTH has the required experience and resources to complete the contract administration and inspection for the Ontario Road Sanitary Trunk Sewer – Phase 1 project; therefore, staff recommend that the contract be awarded to the firm at a cost of \$142,060.00 (plus HST).

ATTACHMENT:

Appendix 1 – Location Plan

LOCATION PLAN



COUNCIL MEETING
INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES/ENGINEERING

REPORT ENG-2025-09
April 22, 2025

SUBJECT: Contract Award - First Street Infrastructure Renewals - Phase 2 – Expanded Scope

AUTHOR: Livia McEachern, P.Eng.
Manager of Capital Engineering

APPROVING: Sherri-Marie Millar, P.Eng.
Director of Infrastructure Services / City Engineer

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND direct staff to enter into an agreement with Alfred Beam Excavating Limited in the amount of \$1,672,670.00 (plus HST) for the First Street Infrastructure Renewals – Phase 2 project.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

This recommendation is aligned to Council's strategic priority of ensuring “**Health and Wellbeing**” to promote personal health and well-being by offering an abundance of activities that meet the diverse needs and interests all while, advocating for improved health care throughout the city, and supporting the need for safety and security.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In 2024, Council approved the award of the First Street Infrastructure Renewals - Phase 1 project between Plymouth Road and Dover Road to the low bidder, Alfred Beam Excavating Limited (Beam).

Beam is currently on schedule and budget with the First Street Phase 1 project, while effectively coordinating with Plymouth Public School to minimize disruptions. Due to their success, staff are recommending expanding the project scope to include Phase 2. Beam has agreed to maintain their 2024 unit prices, offering several advantages:

- **Cost savings** as Beam was the lowest of seven bidders in 2024.
- **Seamless construction** by eliminating temporary infrastructure and simplifying access and detours.
- **Minimized disruption** to school traffic by staging work around the school schedule.
- **Reduced delays**, avoiding scheduling conflicts that could occur with a different contractor.

Therefore, staff recommend that Council approve the award of the First Street Infrastructure Renewals - Phase 2 project to Alfred Beam Excavating Limited for the bid price of \$1,672,670.00, plus HST.

BACKGROUND:

City Council approved construction funding in 2024 for Phase 1 of the First Street Infrastructure Renewals project between Plymouth Road and Dover Road. This block was prioritized as Phase 1 to facilitate the installation of municipal servicing needed for a proposed Habitat for Humanity development within the project limits.

Phase 1 was publicly tendered and of the seven (7) bids received, Alfred Beam Excavating Limited (Beam) offered the lowest bid price. The contract award to Beam was approved by Council on December 17, 2024 (ENG-2024-37).

During the 2025 budget deliberations, City Council approved construction funding for the second phase of the First Street Infrastructure Renewals project between King Street and Plymouth Road.

Like Phase 1, the Phase 2 works include full-depth excavation of the existing road structure, replacement of both the granular road base and asphalt, addition of subdrain to improve drainage, new watermain including services to property line, new sanitary sewer including laterals to property line, and removal and replacement of sidewalks to current accessibility standards.

DISCUSSION:

Beam is currently constructing the First Street Phase 1 underground infrastructure. They are completing the work on schedule and budget, while coordinating with the Plymouth Public School to mitigate impacts on parents, students, faculty and school busses.

Given the success of the Phase 1 construction, staff discussed the possibility of expanding the project scope to include the Phase 2 works. In discussions with the contractor, Beam has agreed to hold their 2024 unit prices for Phase 2.

The notable advantages of expanding the scope of the current project includes:

- Significant savings – Beam was the lowest bidder of seven (7) in 2024 and have agreed to hold their unit bid prices for Phase 2.
- Seamless transition - Beam will be able to continue the construction into the next block, eliminating the need for temporary infrastructure connections within the Plymouth Road / First Street intersection and simplifying detour and/or temporary access issues through a coordinated operation.
- Mitigate impacts to traffic and school access – As the single contractor, Beam would be able to stage work and move between phases to avoid road and driveway closures directly affecting access to the school during the school year. Phase 1 restoration work, which would have affected

access for both students and faculty, can now be performed during the summer months.

- Minimize delays – Two different contractors would create conflicts if the construction schedules overlapped, therefore, Phase 2 would be delayed until Phase 1 was substantially completed.

Beam, the low tenderer for Phase 1, is an established company having successfully completed past projects within the City and across the Niagara Region. Staff considers the firm's past performance, as well as their current performance of First Street Phase 1, to be satisfactory in accordance with our specifications and standards.

FINANCIAL:

Project costs and funding has been summarized as follows:

Project Costs	Amount
First Street Infrastructure Renewals - Phase 2 - Beam Bid	\$1,672,670.00
Material Testing and Quality Control (2%)	\$33,453.40
Subtotal	\$1,706,123.40
City's Portion of HST (1.76%)	\$30,027.77
Total Anticipated Costs	\$1,736,151.17

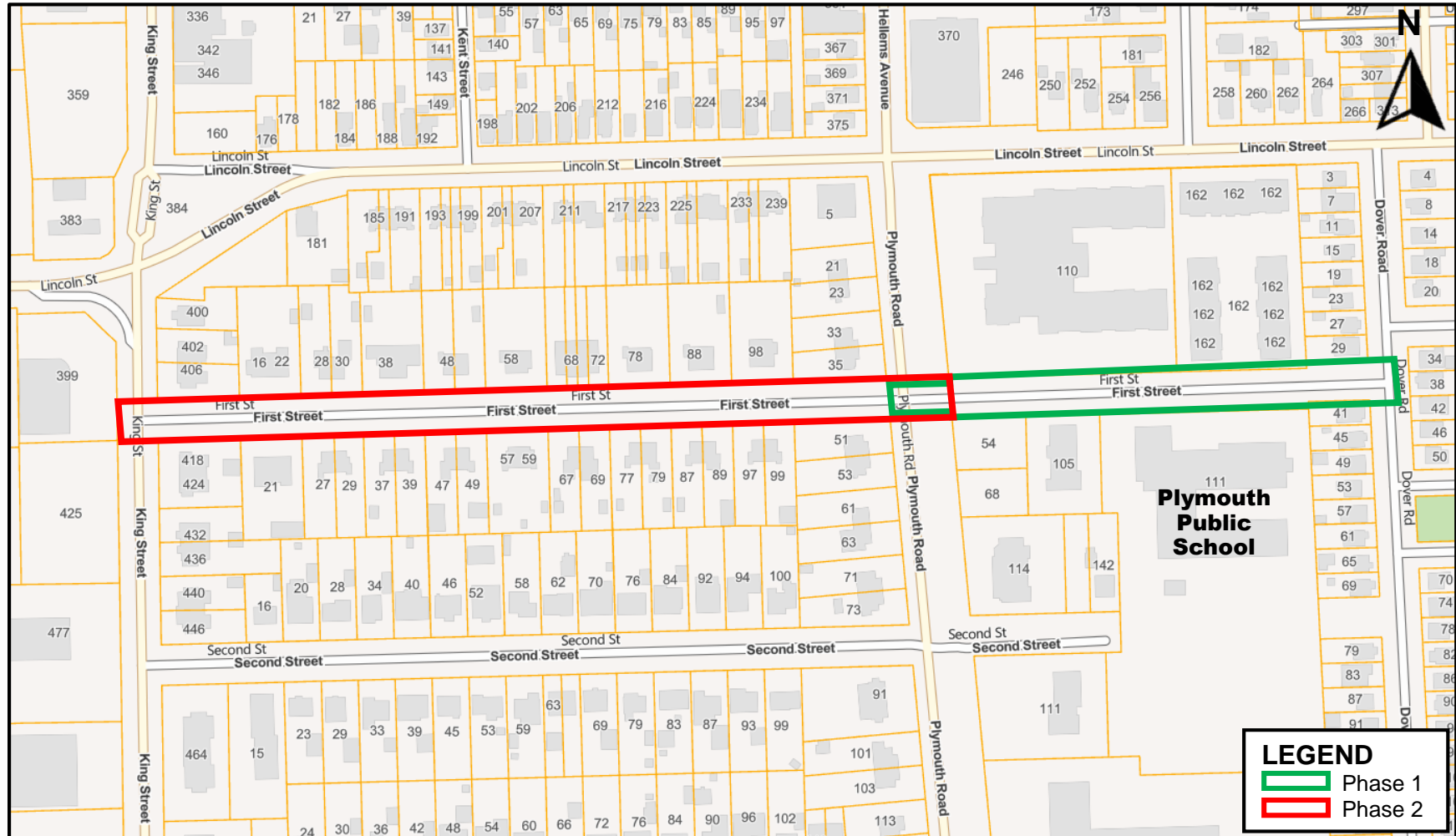
Project Funding	Amount
First Street Infrastructure Renewals Part 2 (10-320/316/327/330/910-25156)	\$2,101,000.00
Approved 2025 Capital Funding	\$2,101,000.00

The tender bid from Beam, plus 2% for material testing and 1.76% for the City's portion of the HST, is **\$1,736,151.17**. The approved 2025 capital funding is sufficient to cover the project costs. Therefore, staff recommend that Council approve the award of the First Street Infrastructure Renewals - Phase 2 project to Alfred Beam Excavating Limited for the bid price of \$1,672,670.00, plus HST.

ATTACHMENT:

Appendix 1 - First Street Infrastructure Renewals - Phase 1 & 2: Location Plan

LOCATION PLAN



COUNCIL MEETING
INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES / ENGINEERING

REPORT ENG-2025-08
April 22, 2025

SUBJECT: Response to Notice of Motion - Woodlawn Road/Niagara Street Intersection - Update from the Region

AUTHOR: Muhammad Ali Khan, P.Eng.
Manager Transportation Engineering

APPROVING: Sherri-Marie Millar, P.Eng.
Director of Infrastructure Services/City Engineer

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information REPORT ENG-2025-08 Woodlawn Road/Niagara Street Intersection-Update from the Region

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This recommendation is aligned to Council's strategic priority of ensuring "**Health and Wellbeing**" to promote personal health and well-being by offering an abundance of activities that meet the diverse needs and interests all while, advocating for improved health care throughout the city, and supporting the need for safety and security.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On March 4, 2025, the City of Welland Council asked for a staff report on strategies to expedite the addition of right-turn lanes at the Regional intersection of Niagara Street at Woodlawn Road, in response to growing traffic volumes and future development pressures.

In collaboration with the City, Regional staff outlined a multi-step plan to address traffic capacity and safety at this key intersection:

1. **In-Service Road Safety Review (ISRSR)** – Planned for later in 2025 (pending approval), this review will identify current safety issues along Woodlawn Road and propose short-term safety improvements, with possible implementation beginning in 2026.
2. **Transportation Master Plan (TMP)** – An ongoing update to the TMP will evaluate long-term traffic capacity needs, including at the Niagara-Woodlawn intersection. If warranted, the TMP will recommend capacity upgrades and their prioritization in regional infrastructure planning.

3. **Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA)** – Should the TMP support major intersection modifications, including the addition of right-turn lanes, an EA would be required to assess feasibility and minimize impacts—especially due to adjacent cemeteries.

The Region remains committed to working collaboratively with the City of Welland as planning and studies progress.

BACKGROUND:

On March 04, 2025, the Council of the City of Welland approved the following motion:

“WHEREAS, traffic volume on Niagara St. continues to build and will continue to increase as our city grows; and further

WHEREAS, two lanes in a designated right turning lane on north and southbound traffic is vital to improve long term traffic flow.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND requests a staff report on how to navigate, plan for and work with the Region to expedite the addition of right turning lanes on north and southbound lanes from Niagara Street onto to Woodlawn Road.”

DISCUSSION:

City and Regional staff met and discussed the above motion passed by the City Council regarding traffic capacity concerns at the intersection of Niagara Street (Regional Road 50) and Woodlawn Road (Regional Road 41).

Below is the Region’s plan on how to address capacity and safety issues at this intersection:

1. **In-Service Road Safety Review (ISRSR)**

Later this year and subject to Regional Council approval, the Region will be initiating an In-Service Road Safety Review (ISRSR) for Woodlawn Road from Niagara Street to South Pelham Road as part of Niagara’s Vision Zero Road Safety Plan. This review will focus on identifying existing safety concerns and recommending short-term countermeasures to reduce collisions and improve road user safety. It is anticipated that, subject to Regional Council budget approvals, some recommendations from the ISRSR could be implemented as early as 2026.

2. **Transportation Master Plan (TMP)**

The Region has initiated an update to its Transportation Master Plan (TMP), which will analyze traffic capacity issues across Niagara Region, including the subject intersection at Niagara Street and Woodlawn Road. The TMP will determine whether capacity enhancements and intersection improvements are warranted based on projected traffic growth and network needs. If additional capacity is deemed necessary, the TMP will provide recommendations on how

and when such improvements should be prioritized within the Region's long-term capital planning framework.

3. Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA)

If the TMP confirms that capacity enhancements are needed at this intersection, any major modifications—such as adding right-turn lanes—would likely require a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA). Given the proximity of cemeteries to the roadway, an EA would be necessary to evaluate the feasibility of widening the intersection while minimizing impacts to adjacent lands. The EA process would include technical analysis and consultation with local interested parties to determine the most appropriate solution.

Regional staff remains committed to working closely with the City of Welland as these studies and projects progress.

FINANCIAL:

N/A

ATTACHMENT:

Notice of Motion.

NOTICE OF MOTION

SUBMITTED BY: Councillor McLeod

SUBMISSION DATE: February 18, 2025

Notice of Motion:

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND requests a staff report on how to navigate, plan for and work with the Region to expedite the addition of right turning lanes on north and southbound lanes from Niagara Street onto to Woodlawn Road. Ref. No. 25-22

COUNCIL MEETING
COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT
PARKS, FORESTRY AND CEMETERIES DIVISION

REPORT CS-2025-18
April 22, 2025

SUBJECT: **Baseball Infield Conversion Project Changes**

AUTHOR: **Dave Steven – Manager of Parks, Forestry and Cemeteries**

APPROVING: **Jessica Ruddell – Director of Community Services**

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorize staff to allocate the approved 2023 capital funding for infield conversions, as detailed in Report CS-2025-18 Baseball Infield Conversion Project Changes.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

This recommendation is aligned to Council’s strategic priority of ensuring “**Liveability**” by creating a sense of belonging while enhancing mobility by improving access to recreation and community events, ensuring adequate housing options, encouraging job growth, and improving ways to efficiently move people throughout the city.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report recommends allocating the 2023 approved capital funds for infield conversions based on updated input from user groups. Originally intended for Chippawa Park, Maple Park 1 & 2, and Quaker Road Complex 1 & 2 (Appendix 1), stakeholders have now identified Memorial Park Baseball Fields 1 & 4 and Plymouth Park as preferred sites. This shift reflects operational advantages including proximity to existing red clay fields, enhanced control and maintenance capabilities, alignment with tournament hosting needs, and is expected to be within the approved budget. The upgrades will improve playability, safety, and long-term functionality, while aligning with Council’s strategic priority of livability.

BACKGROUND:

In 2022, City staff met with the president of the Welland Minor Baseball Association (WMBA) to discuss the league’s anticipated growth and their interest in converting existing fields from limestone screenings to red clay. This need was

identified to enhance safety, improve field playability, and attract additional bookings and tournaments.

As a result, capital funding was requested and approved during the 2023 budget process to convert infields at Chippawa Park, Maple Park 1 & 2, and Quaker Road Complex 1 & 2. In the summer of 2024, the City issued RFP24-04 for the Infield Conversion Project. The bids received exceeded the approved budget and in response, staff cancelled the RFP and consulted user groups to revisit site priorities and discuss a phased approach. At that time, it was determined that more discussion was required, and the project was temporarily put on hold until the Annual Sport Field Allocation meeting.

DISCUSSION:

At the Annual Sport Field Allocation meeting on February 27, 2025, user groups were reminded of the approved funding for infield conversions. After further discussion, consensus formed for new preferred locations: Memorial Park fields 1 & 4, and Plymouth Park.

Key reasons for this shift included:

- Proximity to other red clay fields, supporting better coordination for tournaments and bookings.
- Existing fencing and gated access, allowing for better protection of the clay surface and limiting unauthorized use.
- Improved field closure ability during inclement weather, reducing potential damage and long-term maintenance costs.

Based on this input, staff recommend proceeding with the infield conversions at the newly identified locations of Memorial Park fields 1 & 4, and Plymouth Park.

FINANCIAL:

There are no financial impacts to this report.

The baseball infield conversion project was approved in the 2023 Capital Budget under account 10-412-23405, with a total budget allocation of \$120,000. Given bid responses for the initial RFP for five field conversions was outside of the approved budget, and this report recommends moving from five field conversions to three field conversions, it is expected that future bid responses will be within the approved budget.

ATTACHMENT:

Appendix 1 – 2023 Capital Budget Project Submission – Baseball Infield Conversion

2023 CAPITAL BUDGET PROJECT SUBMISSIONS

PROJECT NAME: Baseball Infield Conversion

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 10-412-23405

NEED:

- ☐ **Health and Safety**
- ☐ **Mandated Programs**
- ☐ **Growth Related**
- ☒ **Department Initiative**
- ☐ **Council Initiative**

New ☐

Enhancement ☒

Replacement ☐

Project Description: Converting Chippawa, Maple Park and Quaker Road X2 from limestone infields to red mix. Directly working with user groups, this conversion was identified as need and will increase bookings at these locations with the increased playability and safety.

Capital Levy:

TRANSFER FROM OPERATING (\$120,000.00)

TOTAL Capital Levy (\$120,000.00)

Costs:

OUTSIDE CONTRACTS \$120,000.00

TOTAL Costs \$120,000.00

DEPARTMENT: 412 - PLAYING FIELDS

IMPACT ON CURRENT BUDGET FOR FULL YEAR BASED ON CURRENT YR COSTS:

Comments: Requests from user groups to increase bookings

STARTING DATE(MM/YYYY): 3-1-2023 12:00:00 AM

COMPLETION DATE (MM/YYYYY): 12-29-2023 12:00:00 AM

PREPARED BY: Dave Steven

APPROVED BY: Rob Axiak

COUNCIL MEETING
COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT
FACILITIES DIVISION

REPORT CS-2025-14
April 22, 2025

SUBJECT: Dain City School and Community Space Partnership

AUTHOR: Frank Pearson – Manager of Facilities, Operations and Development

APPROVING: Jessica Ruddell – Director of Community Services

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approve entering into negotiations for a partnership agreement with the District School Board of Niagara (DSBN) for a community space at the new Dain City School; and further

THAT Welland City Council authorize staff to apply for funding through the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund (CSRIF) for this new community space.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

This recommendation is aligned to Council's strategic priority of ensuring "**Health and Wellbeing**" to promote personal health and well-being by offering an abundance of activities that meet the diverse needs and interests all while, advocating for improved health care throughout the city, and supporting the need for safety and security.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval for staff to continue negotiation with the District School Board of Niagara (DSBN) for a partnership to develop a community centre as part of the construction of a new elementary school in Dain City. Additionally, staff are seeking approval to apply for available funding through the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund. As previously identified in-camera on September 3, 2024, such a partnership would support shared use of facilities, enhance community access to recreational and cultural programming, and improve service delivery while maximizing the use of public land and resources. Once the partnership agreement is drafted, it will be brought to Council for final review and approval.

BACKGROUND:

The DSBN recently received approval from the province to construct a new elementary school at the intersection of Varsity Drive and Eastbridge Avenue in Dain City. This new school will accommodate projected population growth and improve access to education within the community. Concurrently, the City identified an opportunity to partner with the DSBN to increase the community infrastructure and recreational amenities in Dain City by including a city-operated community space within the school. This concept is in alignment with recommendation #6 of the City's approved Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan which identifies the proactive pursuit of partnerships, including educational institutions as well as the City's strategic plan.

Joint-use facility models have been successfully implemented across various municipalities in Ontario and beyond, offering shared gymnasiums, meeting rooms, libraries, and outdoor amenities that serve both student and community needs. These collaborative projects demonstrate the value of partnerships in enhancing community well-being and efficient capital investment.

The privately owned Carrie Lynn Pinard Centre in Dain City has been an important community hub since the City of Welland began leasing it in 1994. The centre, while having challenges with parking and accessibility, hosts a variety of events, including birthday parties, celebrations of life, and organizational meetings. Rental revenue from the Carrie Lynn Pinard Centre has grown considerably over the last couple of years, hitting a high of \$16,871 in 2024.

DISCUSSION:

A joint-use facility offers several advantages, including:

- **Shared Spaces:** Gymnasium, hallways, performance spaces, and parking lots
- **Cost-Efficiency:** Shared capital and operational costs reduce the financial burden on both the City of Welland and DSBN
- **Maximized Land Use:** Co-locating services reduce the need for separate land acquisitions and enhance accessibility
- **Community Access:** Residents benefit from increased programming opportunities and improved access to facilities, particularly in growing or underserved neighbourhoods
- **Youth and Family Engagement:** Offers integrated service delivery to students and their families before, during, and after school hours

The proposed dedicated space is an estimated 2,700 square feet and will include the following areas for City of Welland use:

- One Community Room (approximately 1200 square feet)
- A dedicated community space kitchen with a stove and fridge
- Two dedicated, universal washrooms with access from the Community Room (approximately 64 square feet each)

- A 200-square-foot storage area with outdoor access and access from the gymnasium
- A dedicated, fully accessible entrance to the community space on the ground floor
- Two offices for City staff (approximately 200 square feet each)
- One dedicated, fully accessible staff washroom (approximately 64 square feet).
- Shared and scheduled use of the school's gymnasium.

Potential operating terms are being explored and discussed between City of Welland staff and the DSBN, and an agreement, detailing operations and responsibilities, both shared and individual, will be brought back to Council for final approval. A summary of the co-build opportunity terms and basic operating principles are included in Appendix 2.

FINANCIAL:

Initial estimates for the construction of the City's dedicated community space are approximately \$450/square foot or \$1,215,000.

$$2,700\text{sf} \times \$450/\text{sf} = \$1,215,000$$

Staff request approval to apply to the Province of Ontario's Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund (CSRIF) which, if successful, will fund up to 50% of the construction costs, leaving 50% to be funded by the City of Welland.

Estimated Total Cost	\$1,215,000
50% Potential Funding through CSRIF	\$607,500
50% Balance Funded by City of Welland	\$607,500

Staff have also reached out and scheduled a meeting with Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP) Sam Oosterhoff to discuss this partnership with the DSBN and further funding options.

Should Council approve staff to continue negotiations with the DSBN for this project, the specifics of the formal partnership agreement with the DSBN will be drafted and brought to Council for approval.

Budget requirements will be brought to Council for consideration during the 2026 budget process.

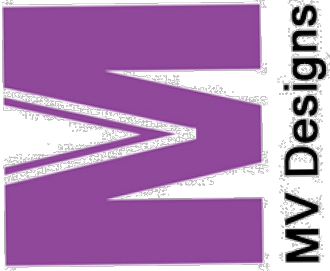
ATTACHMENT:

Appendix 1 – DSBN Draft map of school layout

Appendix 2 – Dain City School, City of Welland Co-build exploration summary

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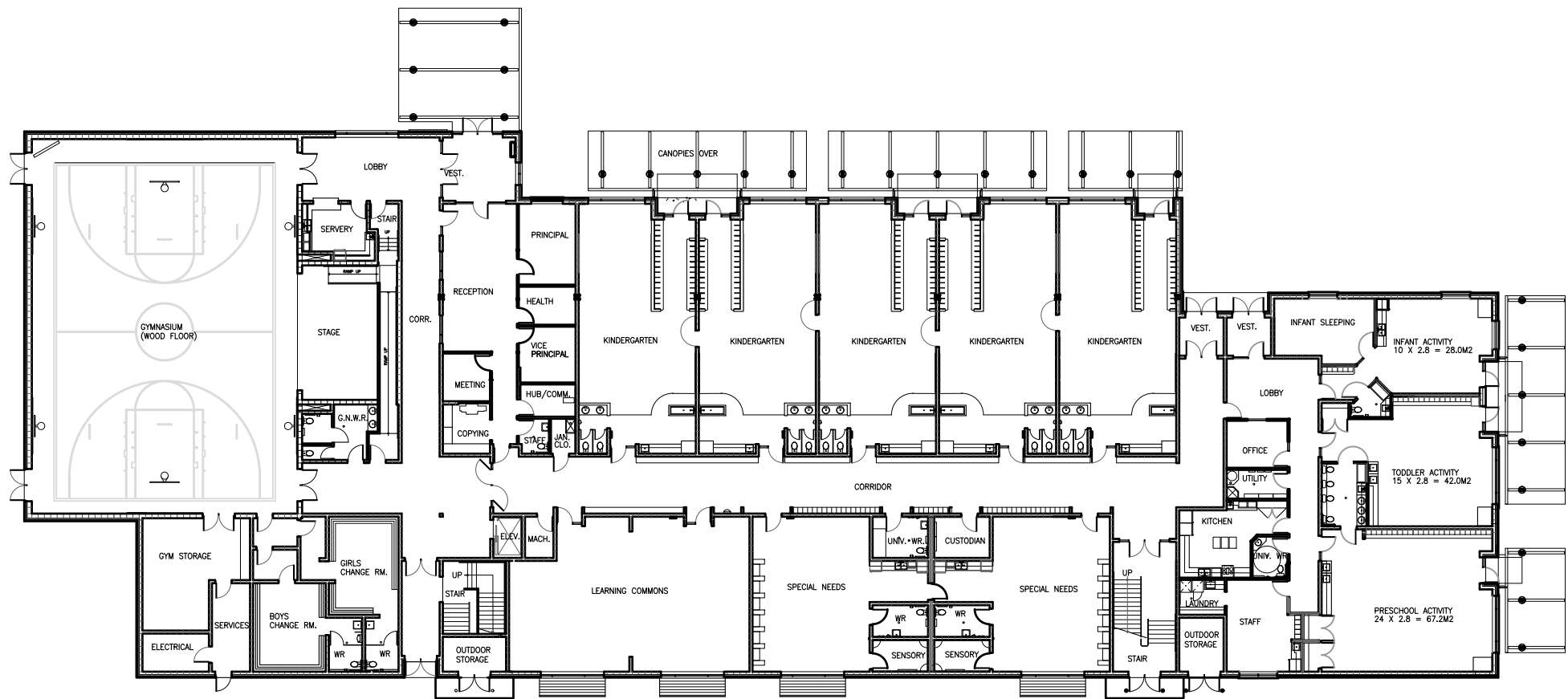
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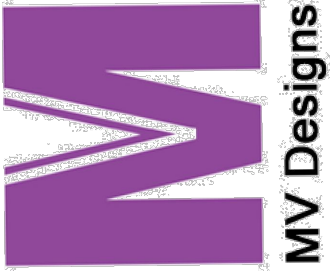
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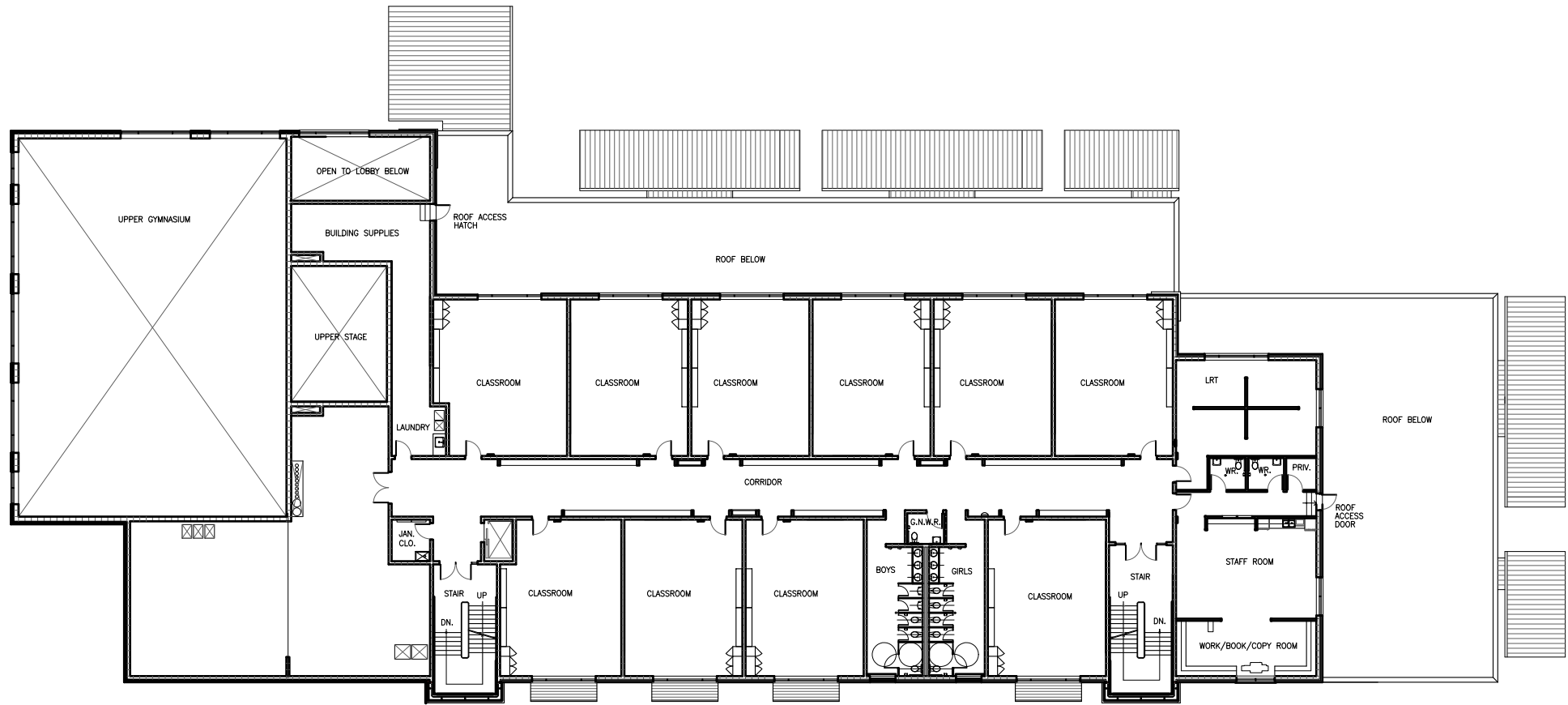


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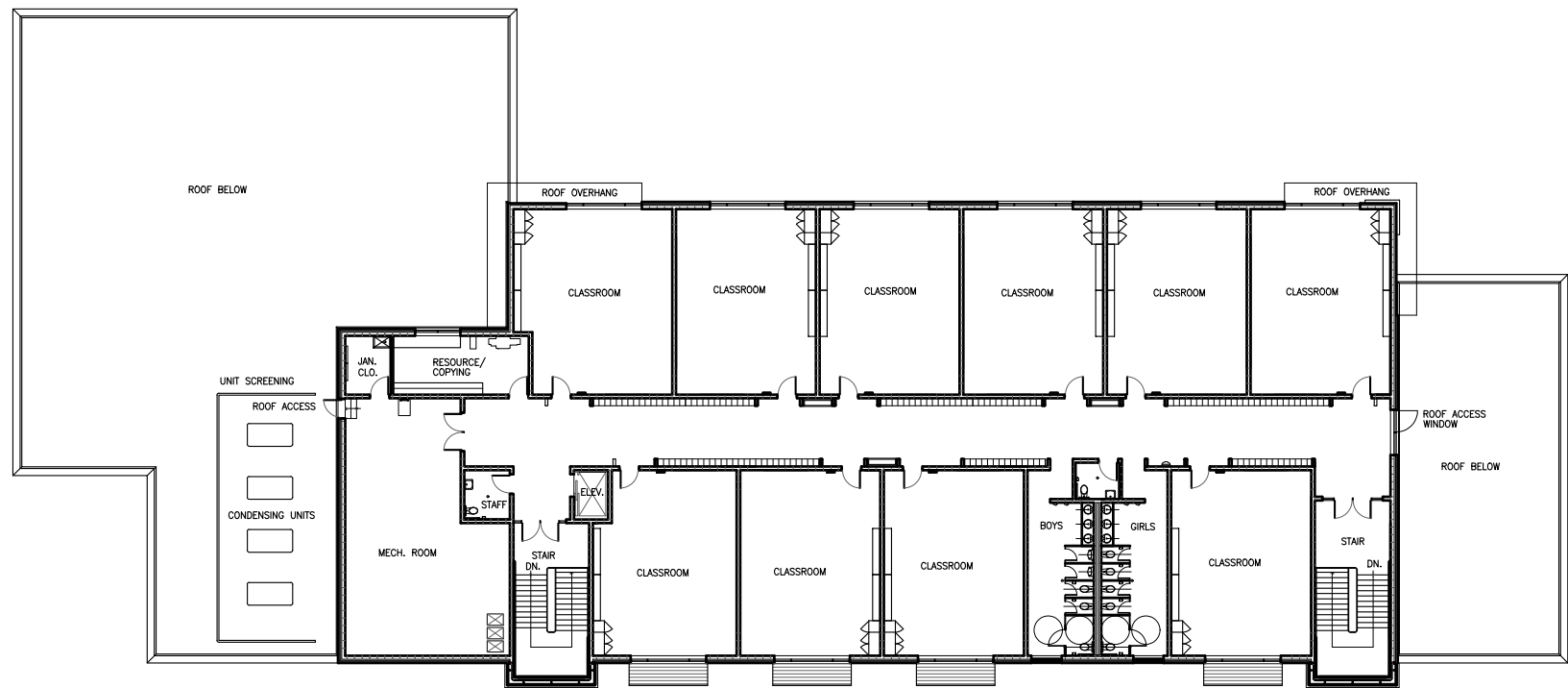
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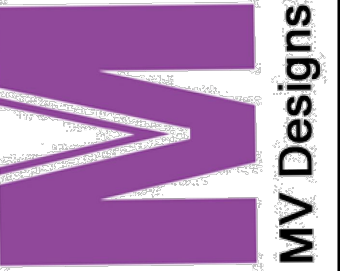
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City of Welland identified needs:

1. Two offices for City staff (approximately 200 square feet each)
2. One dedicated, fully accessible, staff washroom (approximately 64 square feet)
3. One Community Room (approximately 1200 square feet)
4. A dedicated community space kitchen with stove and fridge
5. Two dedicated, fully accessible, public/visitor washrooms with access from the Community Room (approximately 64 square feet each)
6. A 200 square foot storage area with outdoor access and access from the gymnasium
7. A dedicated, accessible entrance to the designated Community Room/City office area

Operational items:

1. DSBN will be responsible for:

- a. Providing access to wifi/internet at no additional cost.
- b. Standard costs for building security and monitoring.
- c. Implementation of facility access controls and security system and issuing access cards and necessary security codes to City staff for City designated spaces and shared gym and other approved spaces for after hours use if applicable.
- d. Custodial support/cleaning of all shared and school spaces on weeknights (except during Board shutdown times which take place annually for two weeks in late December/early January).
- e. Facility and property maintenance of all shared areas and DSBN dedicated areas, to Board standards. This includes clearing of snow in parking lots and walkways during all instructional times (excluding winter shutdown period). The City will be responsible for clearing walkways/parking lots, tidying and garbage removal if they opt to operate in their dedicated spaces during the DSBN winter shutdown period.

2. The City of Welland will be responsible for:

- a. Partial annual cost recovery allocation towards utility costs related to dedicated spaces built to meet the City's requirements as part of the co-build (ex. Community room, City office spaces, dedicated washrooms and corridors, etc.).

Amount will be analyzed based on square footage of spaces and factored using an average utility costs per square foot. This cost is analyzed annually and may increase slightly over time, to account for utility costs increases.

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The option to have separate water metre installed for the City's dedicated spaces will be investigated during the construction planning phase and implemented if possible, with water invoices for the City's dedicated spaces going directly to the City.

- b. Custodial costs for use of the gymnasium or any other shared school spaces utilized on weekends. There is a requirement to have a DSBN custodian present when use of school/shared spaces occurs. Custodial costs will be charged to the City monthly on an "as booked" basis. The City will be responsible for their own cleaning and custodial support for their dedicated spaces (i.e. offices, dedicated washrooms, storage area, community room, dedicated kitchen).
- c. Providing recreational and program supplies for City run programs. Equipment will not be shared between the school and City.
- d. Should the City request services or improvements above those considered a standard level of service by the DSBN, the City would be responsible for all costs associated with those additional services.
- e. As a reciprocal benefit for use of the school gymnasium, the City will allow DSBN's Welland schools use of City facilities at no cost (ex. Community centres, pavilions, etc.). This will include community rooms and recreational spaces but not ice time. The opportunity for use will be cooperatively planned between DSBN and the City to ensure that use is balanced and reciprocal in nature.

3. Shared space general operating criteria:

Term:

- a. The agreement will be in place upon execution of signatures and for the perpetuity of the DSBN's operation of the school.
- b. A co-build opportunity will not prevent DSBN from conducting any future accommodation or boundary reviews, if deemed necessary by the Board. However, so long as the DSBN is operating the facility as a public school, the agreement and/or any future amendments will be in effect, unless formally terminated by the parties.

Access:

- c. The Community Room/designated space may be utilized and open to the public during school hours and at other times as determined by the City's programming needs, and accessed through a dedicated entry.
- d. School year: For the City's use of the school gymnasium: the City will have use up to 3 weeknights per week, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., on evenings to be identified by the City and mutually agreed upon at the outset of the agreement. During the City's designated evenings, the gymnasium be used for City operated programs only and cannot be rented out or sub-let by the City to external groups, community members, etc.

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- e. Summer: The City would have use of gymnasium 5 weekdays per week during the summer, starting the day after the observance of the Canada Day holiday up to and including the second last week of August, from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., for City of Welland summer camps and other City operated recreational programs. The same principle applies, that the use of the gymnasium or any other school spaces cannot be permitted or allowed by the City to other groups or individuals and is limited to City operated use only. Days not required by the City will be made available to the public through DSBN's Community Use of Schools department. During this summer timeframe, the City will also continue to have use of the school gymnasium for three weeknights per week.
- f. For use of other areas of the school, beyond the City's designated areas; and the gymnasium and two closest washrooms during the times noted herein; DSBN Community Use of Schools rental fees, permit requirements and protocols will apply.
- g. All use of DSBN space by external/third-party/community individuals, leagues, groups, etc. must be booked directly by each group through the DSBN and will take place on days outside of those booked for the City to operate their own recreational programs.
- h. DSBN will be responsible for issuing permits for all use of shared and/or DSBN spaces. The City will enter a permit annually to book its designated evenings and all other times will be left open for the general community to book space or may be rented by the City on an as-available basis. The City is responsible for booking/permitting their dedicated spaces (i.e. the Community Room) and may receive revenue for those spaces, directly from rental parties.
- i. The City staff and visitors will access the Community Room and nearby offices, designated kitchen and washrooms through a dedicated entrance to the Community Room/City designated area. The school gymnasium will be accessed through an entry that will remain locked during instructional hours and opened for City access during designated days and times of City use.
- j. The school grounds, including playfields and outdoor equipment, may not be accessed during the instructional day or when school/student events are taking place.
- k. There may be times throughout the year when the gymnasium/shared spaces will be unavailable to the City due to a school event or Board requirement, or in order to allow DSBN sufficient time and access to maintain or repair the school.

Custodial and maintenance:

- l. A custodian is required to be present at all times when shared school areas are permitted. A custodian would not be required to be onsite for the City's use of the purpose-built community room or adjoining offices as the City will provide custodial support for dedicated spaces.
- m. From time to time, capital repairs such as but not limited to roofing, repainting, replacement of HVAC equipment, etc., may be necessary. The City of Welland would be responsible for the costs of these types of capital repair items for the spaces added to accommodate their

request (i.e. community room, washrooms, offices and dedicated storage space).

Additionally, there may be times when access to the spaces, both designated and shared, may not be available to ensure safety of all parties when maintenance/repairs are taking place.

- n. No changes, enhanced services, or alterations to the property or facility will be initiated or authorized by the City without first addressing those requests through the DSBN.

General operations:

- o. An operating committee shall be identified, consisting of the school Principal and a member of the Facility Services team or other corporate services department, as designated by the DSBN's Associate Director of Education, and Superintendent of Student Achievement and Well-being, along with two representatives from the City, to review operational matters and meet quarterly or at a frequency determined by the committee.
- p. All use of DSBN spaces must abide by DSBN policies, procedures, rules, regulations and Code of Conduct.
- q. The parties recognize the independence and autonomy one another and their respective mandates
- r. DSBN and the City shall work cooperatively throughout the development and the operation of the facility
- s. Both parties shall strive for efficiency in shared space where possible
- t. Working within the requirements of applicable privacy legislation, the parties shall share relevant information and communication relating to the facility
- u. There will be no revenue sharing between the parties as it relates to rental revenue or permitting of their respective spaces
- v. The parties shall not change each other for use unless otherwise identified

4. Damage/Liability:

- a. The City will be required to provide general liability insurance in the minimum amount of two million dollars, naming DSBN as "additional insured"
- b. The City will be responsible for the cost of repairs and maintenance of dedicated spaces. DSBN will support the coordination of repairs/maintenance through project coordination when necessary, but costs for dedicated spaces will be borne by the City.
- c. The City will be responsible for the costs to repair damage in shared spaces if the damage is caused by negligence of an employee or agent of the City.
- d. If the City wishes to have separate security on its portion of the facility, arrangements and options will be investigated. Should the dedicated spaces remain on the DSBN's security system, accidental tripping of the alarm and fees associated with security callouts, etc. will be passed along to the City if those callouts are a result of the City's use/programs setting off the security alarm.

COUNCIL MEETING
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
PLANNING DIVISION

REPORT P&B-2025-16
April 22, 2025

SUBJECT: Application for Condominium Exemption (File No. 26CD-14-25004) by 2812793 Ontario Inc. For Lands Municipally Known as, 35 Southworth Street.

AUTHOR: Caitlin Kovacs, B.URPI
Development Planner

APPROVING SUPERVISOR: Taylor Meadows, B.URPI, CPT, RPP, MCIP
Manager of Development Planning

APPROVING MANAGER: Michael Greenlee, RPP, MCIP
Manager of Planning

APPROVING DIRECTOR: Grant Munday, B.A.A, RPP, MCIP
Director, Planning And Development Services

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the exemption request by 2812793 Ontario Inc. for an Application for Condominium Approval consisting of twenty-six (26) condominium units located at 35 Southworth Street, in accordance with Section 9 (7) of the Condominium Act, Chapter 4, 1998, as amended.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This recommendation is aligned to Council's strategic priority of ensuring "Liveability" by creating a sense of belonging while enhancing mobility by improving access to recreation and community events, ensuring adequate housing options, encouraging job growth, and improving ways to efficiently move people throughout the city.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City received an application for Condominium Exemption made by 2812793 Ontario Inc. for twenty-six (26) residential units. The Condominium Act (Section 9

(7)) provides that an application for Condominium Approval may be exempted from Section 51 of the Planning Act where the approval authority is of the opinion that the exemption is appropriate in the circumstances.

Following staff's review, staff are satisfied that exemption from Condominium approval is appropriate as there is an approved site plan agreement registered on the property (see attached Appendix II, Approved Site Plan).

BACKGROUND:

The City received an application from 2812793 Ontario Inc. for Condominium Exemption for twenty-six (26) residential units.

The subject property is located on the east side of Southworth Street, south of Lincoln Street and north of Lewis Street. These lands are described as Lots 13 to 18, Plan 951 and referred to as, 35 Southworth Street (As shown in Appendix I, Location Sketch).

Construction of the development is underway under an existing site plan agreement and building permits.

DISCUSSION:

The Condominium Act (Section 9 (7)) provides that an application for Condominium Approval may be exempted from Section 51 of the Planning Act where the approval authority is of the opinion that the exemption is appropriate in the circumstances.

On June 11, 2024, a site plan agreement was registered on title to permit the construction of twenty-six (26) residential units on the property. Securities have been submitted to ensure that the development of the site proceeds in accordance with the approved site plan.

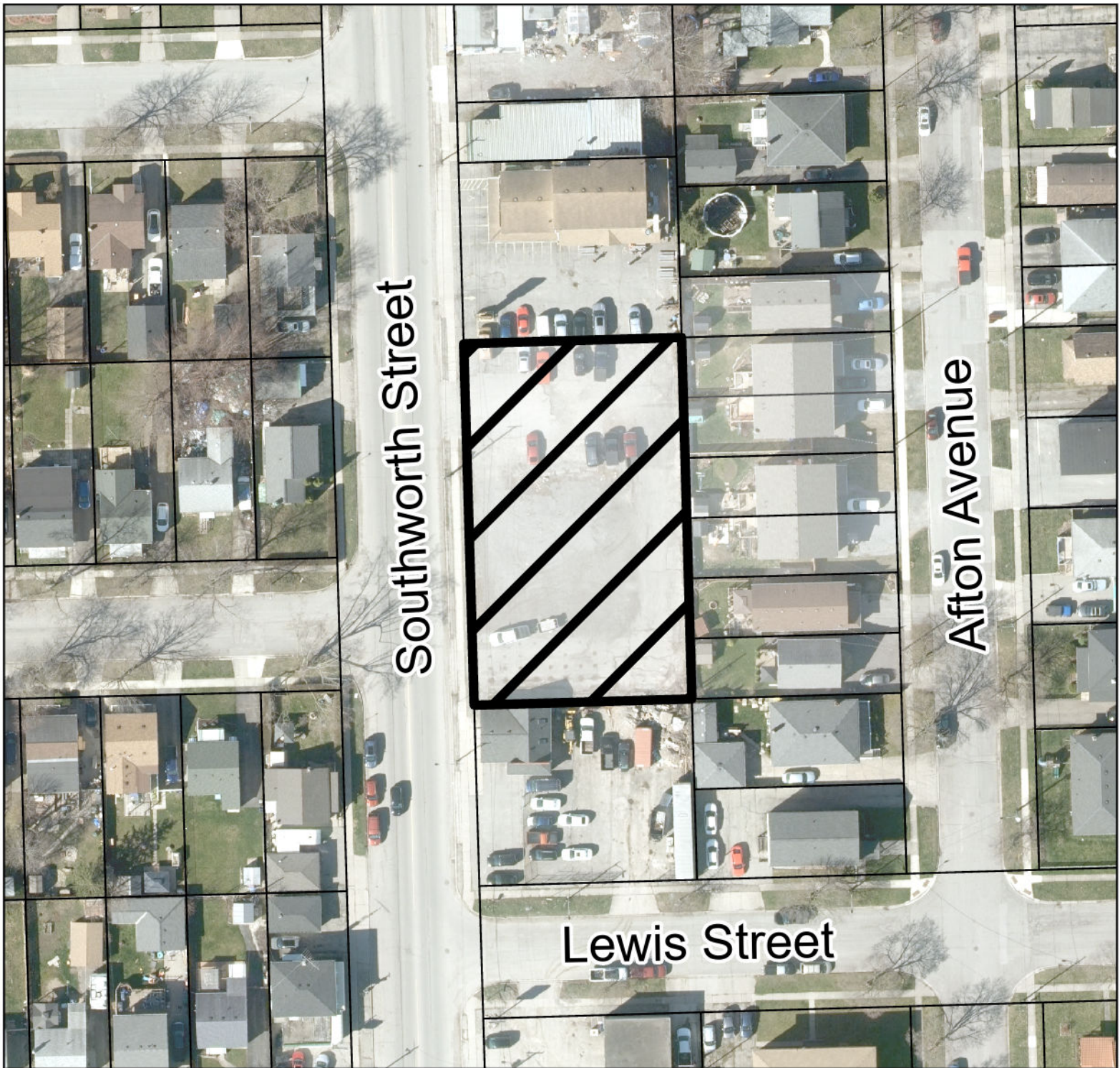
The application requirements that are typically reviewed through the condominium approval process have been addressed through the registered site plan agreement. Staff are therefore satisfied that exemption from condominium approval is appropriate as proposed.

FINANCIAL:

There is no financial impact resulting from the report recommendation.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Appendix I - Location Map
- Appendix II - Approved Site Plan



LOCATION MAP

35 Southworth Street

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SUBJECT LANDS

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**CITY OF
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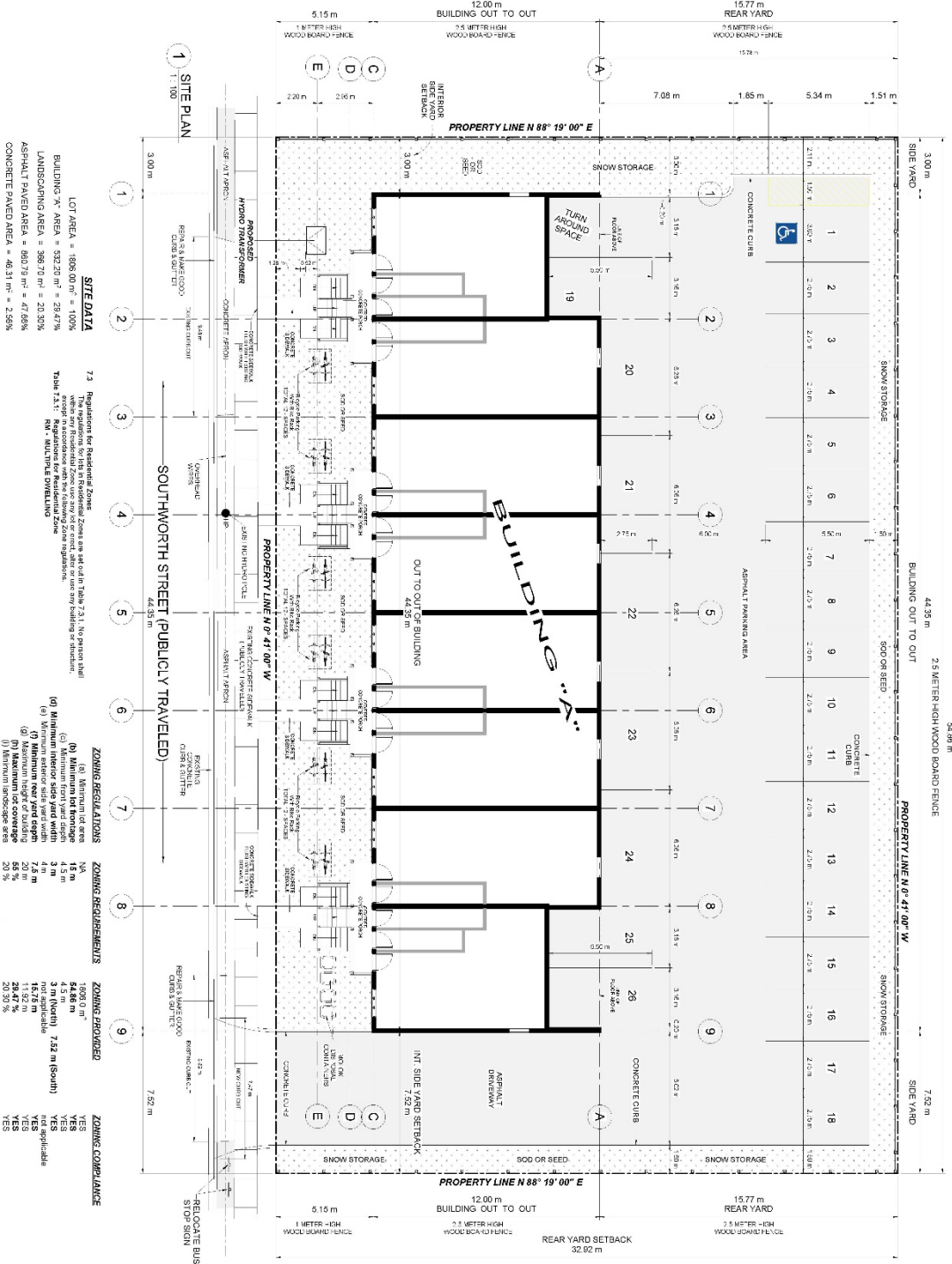
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APPROVED
 April 17th, 2024
 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

FOR WOOD PRODUCTS

SHEET TITLE: **SITE PLAN**

DATE: 4/17/2024
 DRAWN BY: J.W. WICZARSKA
 CHECKED BY: J.W. WICZARSKA
 SCALE: AS SHOWN



COUNCIL MEETING
FINANCE DIVISION

REPORT FIN-2025-12
April 22, 2025

SUBJECT: Authorized Purchase Update

AUTHOR: Adam Beres, Manager of Purchasing

**APPROVING
DIRECTOR** Stephanie Nagel
General Manager of Corporate and Enterprise Services /
CFO

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information competitive purchase results.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This recommendation is aligned to Council's strategic priority of ensuring "**Economic Growth**" for creating a diverse economy through partnerships and emerging markets to ensure sustainable growth and quality employment.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of the procurement of capital projects in accordance with the City's Purchasing Policy. For further clarification or specific details regarding the projects listed, such as timelines, scope, or other aspects of any projects listed in this report, Council members are encouraged to contact the respective Department Head directly, outside of this meeting. This ensures accurate and comprehensive information is provided in a timely manner through the appropriate staff.

BACKGROUND:

Bid processes and awards for this report period span from March 1 to April 9, 2025

DISCUSSION:

The following were awarded with completed reports from staff reviewed, approved and signed by the appropriate member of the leadership team in accordance with the Purchasing Policy.

Project Name	Budget	Bidder	Bid Amount
Tender Award Utility Cuts for Reinstatements	\$600,000	Rankin Construction	\$445,123
Tender Award Ontario Road Trunk Sanitary Sewer	*\$15,062,256	Ward & Burke	\$7,330,126
Tender Award North Welland Trail	\$1,894,162	Lyncon Construction	\$1,196,680
Professional Services Ward Boundary Review	**\$108,000	Strategy Corp	\$73,881
Equipment Purchase Front End Loader 1	\$353,667	Brandt Tractor	\$312,443
Equipment Purchase Front End Loader 2	\$446,625	Brandt Tractor	\$394,513

*Total Project Budget

**Funded by Operating Surplus Reserve

FINANCIAL:

N/A

ATTACHMENT:

N/A

Greetings and good afternoon!

I am contacting you today on behalf of the Niagara Health System's – Addiction Services - Hepatitis C Care Clinic. Each year the 12 municipalities of Niagara have been so incredible to provide your support and the proclamations for the Canadian Viral Hepatitis Elimination Day awareness. 😊

In May of 2016, Canada's Health Minister – Jane Philpott signed on to the World Health Organizations (WHO)'s first ever-Global Viral Hepatitis Strategy, with the goal to eliminate viral hepatitis as a public health threat by 2030. To support Canada's Global strategy, all provinces and communities across Canada are working together to raise awareness. I am delighted to announce that we once again will be hosting a Canadian Viral Hepatitis Elimination Day awareness event. We will join our national partners on Friday May 9, 2025 to recognize this very important awareness day! Our program will be collaborating with the Niagara Health System – Welland Hospital Site at 65 Third Street, Welland. Our Community event will run from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. The Hepatitis C Care Clinic event will encourage individuals to learn about hepatitis, liver health . . . how to receive hepatitis testing, care, and treatment. Our community event will also allow us to highlight the services of Niagara Health System's - Mental Health and Addiction programs. In addition, the care and services of the many community partners that will be joining us at our street-based Health and Social Services Fair. We invite you to join us at our awareness day event! Please feel free to contact me for further details of the event! Alternatively, we can arrange to meet at a more convenient time, to allow us to share about who we are and what we do as a Team! 😊

Again, this year the following prominent landmarks will illuminate in yellow and red to show their support – Canadian and USA Falls, Peace Bridge and the Welland Bridge 13. Are you wondering how you can help and offer your support! We are inviting you to join with Niagara's

awareness campaign, and that of our national partners to proclaim Friday May 9, 2025, as Canadian Viral Hepatitis Elimination Day throughout the 12 municipalities of Niagara. Together we are strong . . . we can join together to raise awareness and to help individuals throughout Niagara!

If you have any questions, or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me!

Take care and have a lovely day!

Karen

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HCCC Website Address - www.niagarahealth.on.ca/site/hepatitis-c-care

NHS Addiction Services - www.niagarahealth.on.ca/services/addiction-recovery



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CANADIAN VIRAL HEPATITIS **ELIMINATION DAY**

JOURNÉE CANADIENNE **POUR L'ÉLIMINATION DE L'HÉPATITE VIRALE**

Canadian Viral Hepatitis Elimination Day Proclamation May 9, 2025

WHEREAS, hepatitis B and C are among Canada's most burdensome infectious diseases – measured in liver damage, cancer, lives lost, and significant costs to our public healthcare system;

WHEREAS, more than 204,000 people in Canada are living with hepatitis C, and more than 250,000 are living with hepatitis B;

WHEREAS, hepatitis C is curable, and hepatitis B is vaccine-preventable and treatable;

WHEREAS, Canada has committed to eliminating viral hepatitis as a public health threat by 2030; and

WHEREAS, Canadian Viral Hepatitis Elimination Day provides an opportunity to highlight the need for policies that support easy access to testing, treatment, and care for those affected, paving the way toward elimination;

THEREFORE, I, Frank Campion, Mayor of the City of Welland, do hereby proclaim
May 9, 2025 Canadian Viral Hepatitis Elimination Day in Welland.

Proclamation de la Journée canadienne pour l'élimination de l'hépatite virale 9 mai 2025

CONSIDÉRANT que les hépatites B et C comptent parmi les maladies infectieuses les plus onéreuses au Canada – mesurées en dommages au foie, en cancer, en vies perdues et en coûts importants pour notre système de santé public;

CONSIDÉRANT que plus de 204 000 personnes au Canada vivent avec l'hépatite C et plus de 250 000 avec l'hépatite B;

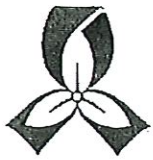
CONSIDÉRANT que l'hépatite C est guérissable et que l'hépatite B est évitable par la vaccination et traitable;

CONSIDÉRANT que le Canada s'est engagé à éliminer l'hépatite virale en tant que menace pour la santé publique d'ici 2030; et

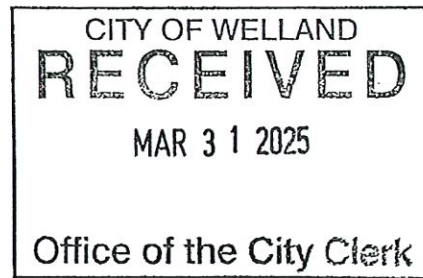
CONSIDÉRANT que la Journée canadienne pour l'élimination de l'hépatite virale est une occasion de souligner la nécessité de mettre en place des politiques qui facilitent l'accès au dépistage, au traitement et aux soins pour les personnes touchées, tout en ouvrant la voie à l'élimination;

PAR CONSÉQUENT, je, Frank Campion, maire de Welland, proclame par la présente le **9 mai 2025 Journée canadienne pour l'élimination de l'hépatite virale** à Welland.

**Frank Campion
Mayor / Maire**



Trillium
Gift of Life
Network



March 31, 2025

To whom it may concern,

I am writing on behalf of Trillium Gift of Life Network (TGLN) to request a Proclamation of the month of National Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Week (NOTDAW) in Welland.

NOTDAW falls in the third full week in April, which this year is April 20-26. TGLN is calling on Ontarians to register their consent for organ and tissue donation. Right now, there are almost 1,400 people in Ontario waiting for a life-saving, medically urgent organ transplant, and every three days, someone dies waiting.

One organ donor has the potential to save eight lives and enhance the lives of up to 75 others through the gift of tissue donation. Since 2003, almost 25,000 Ontarians have received a life-saving organ transplant.

A NOTDAW Proclamation would help symbolize the importance of registering to donate, and having the conversation about organ donation amongst families. It would also give TGLN an opportunity to highlight the need to increase donor registration.

I have included a proclamation template below with further details.

TGLN is responsible for delivery and coordinating organ and tissue donation and transplantation services across the province, as well as for planning, promoting and supporting all health care and allied professionals, advocates and the Ontario public in fulfilling their shared and integrated responsibilities in saving the lives of Ontarians waiting for a life-saving transplant.

Learn more about organ and tissue donation by visiting www.giftoflife.on.ca or how to register as a donor at www.beadonor.ca.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Rachel Levy

Manager, Public Education and Marketing

Ontario Health (Trillium Gift of Life Network)



2025 BeADonor Month Proclamation Template

I, Mayor **XX**, do hereby proclaim April 2025 as “BeADonor Month” in the City/Town of **XX**;

Whereas, April is BeADonor Month in Ontario; and

Whereas, the goal during BeADonor Month is to inspire those who have not yet registered consent for organ and tissue donation; and

Whereas, on average 1,400 people in Ontario are waiting for a life-saving organ transplant and every three days someone will die waiting for an organ transplant; and

Whereas, in 2024, 341 deceased organ donors gave the gift of life, 1,035 deceased donor organ transplants were performed in Ontario, and 1,975 tissue donors enhanced the lives of thousands; and

Whereas, 90% of Ontarians support organ and tissue donation yet only one in three (35%) of eligible Ontarians have registered their consent to donate; and

Whereas, families almost always consent to donation when there is evidence a loved one registered their decision to donate, but in the absence of a registered donation decision, families consent only half of the time; and

Whereas, everyone has the potential to be an organ and/or tissue donor, regardless of age or health; one organ donor can save up to eight lives and enhance the lives of up to 75 others through tissue donation; and

Now Therefore, I encourage all citizens to learn more about organ and tissue donation and transplantation, and consider pledging their support to BeADonor Month by registering as a donor at BeADonor.ca.

Signature

Mayor

NOTICE OF MOTION

SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Fokkens

SUBMISSION DATE: April 8, 2025

Notice of Motion:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs staff to include all staff memorandums, resident correspondence, and responses to Council resolutions on future Council meeting agendas, including those that are informational in nature; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs staff to update any relevant bylaws, policies, or procedures—such as the Council Procedural Bylaw or those governing the Council Information Package—to reflect that only non-actionable correspondence from external sources (including the Region, area municipalities, provincial or federal governments, political leaders, and residents who do not reside within the City of Welland) be included in the Council Information Package, rather than on the Council agenda.

Ref. No. 02-160

NOTICE OF MOTION

SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Speck

SUBMISSION DATE: April 8, 2025

Notice of Motion:

WHEREAS, the public deserves to know where their tax dollars are being spent; and further

WHEREAS, full disclosure and transparency are the foundation of good governance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND directs to amend City of Welland Integrity Commissioner Procedures that all Integrity Commissioner reports shall be presented to Council regardless if there is or is not a contravention of the code or act. Ref. No. 12-96

NOTICE OF MOTION

SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Chiocchio

SUBMISSION DATE: April 8, 2025

Notice of Motion:

WHEREAS, the hybrid work policy HR-2022-06 implemented and approved by this Council on December 20, 2022; and further

WHEREAS, in the policy clearly states that this is not permanent.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Human Resources staff provide a report back to Council to phase in senior non union management and directors back at the respect facilities prior to this policy by Fall 2025. Ref. No. 22-23