

Special Council Meeting  
Municipality of West Grey  
402813 Grey County Rd 4, Durham, ON N0G 1R0

March 11, 2025, 9 a.m.

West Grey municipal office, council chambers

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## Staff Report

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**Report To:** Council  
**Report From:** Kerri Mighton, Director of Finance/Treasurer  
**Meeting Date:** March 11, 2025  
**Subject:** Bridge Financing Strategy

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### Recommendations:

THAT in consideration of staff report 'Bridge Financing Strategy', Council adopts the 10-year Bridge Financing Strategy in principle.

### Highlights:

- Continue to commit base tax levy funding for bridges equivalent to the 2025 budget year of \$807,000.
- Commit additional tax levy from growth of approximately one percent toward bridges each year for 10 years.
- Commit to allocating 41 percent of annual OCIF grant funding toward bridges each year for 10 years.

### Previous Report/Authority:

None.

### Analysis:

Based on the structure priority list approved by Council, in principle, a 10-Year Bridge Financing Strategy has been prepared. The priority list represents \$19.1 million of expenditures for 10 structures. The priority list will be updated in collaboration with bi-annual OSIM reporting. Each year during budget deliberations, the specific structure to be replaced will be reviewed and confirmed based on current information available. The financing strategy illustrates a path forward to fund the replacement of the high priority structures based on the estimated costs over a 10-year period. During pre-engineering, all options for replacement will be considered such as the type of structure to be installed.

## **Financial Implications:**

The 10-Year Financing Strategy includes the following funding commitments:

- Continue to commit base tax levy funding for bridges at a level equivalent to the 2025 budget year which is \$807,000.
- Commit additional one percent tax levy estimated at \$140,000, funded from annual assessment growth, towards bridges each year for 10 years.
- Commit to allocating 41 percent of annual Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) formula-based grant funding towards bridges each year for 10 years. This is approximately \$450,000 per year.

## **Climate and Environmental Implications:**

None.

## **Communication Plan:**

This report is being communicated through the posting of Council agendas on the West Grey website.

## **Consultation:**

Michele Harris, CAO

Geoff Aitken, Director of Infrastructure and Public Works

## **Attachments:**

10 Year Bridge Financing Strategy

## **Recommended by:**

Kerri Mighton, Director of Finance/Treasurer

## **Submission approved by:**

Michele Harris, Chief Administrative Officer

For more information on this report, please contact Kerri Mighton, Director of Finance/Treasurer at [kmighton@westgrey.com](mailto:kmighton@westgrey.com) or 519-369-2200 ext. 223.

**10-Year Bridge Financing Strategy**

Expenditures		2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035
Structure #	Est. Cost											
G-044		2,100,000										
Bridge Reserve		300,000	463,000		927,000	23,000		113,000				157,000
Pre-engineering			300,000	200,000	300,000			200,000				300,000
OCIF carry forward to reserve			450,000		450,000			450,000				
G-038	2,001,000			2,001,000								
G-037	1,794,000					1,794,000						
EG-001	184,000		184,000									
N-051	2,944,000						2,944,000					
G-044	2,200,000											2,200,000
B-003	2,600,000								2,600,000			
G-132	1,334,000							1,334,000				
B-020	3,197,000									3,197,000		
N-060	1,127,000										1,127,000	
N-058	1,725,000										1,725,000	
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>19,106,000</b>	<b>2,400,000</b>	<b>1,397,000</b>	<b>2,201,000</b>	<b>1,677,000</b>	<b>1,817,000</b>	<b>2,944,000</b>	<b>2,097,000</b>	<b>2,600,000</b>	<b>3,197,000</b>	<b>2,852,000</b>	<b>2,657,000</b>

**Financing**

1% levy increase per year	(140,000)	(140,000)	(140,000)	(140,000)	(140,000)	(140,000)	(140,000)	(140,000)	(140,000)	(140,000)	(140,000)	(140,000)
Tax Levy	(807,000)	(947,000)	(1,087,000)	(1,227,000)	(1,367,000)	(1,507,000)	(1,647,000)	(1,787,000)	(1,927,000)	(2,067,000)	(2,207,000)	(2,207,000)
CCBF												
OCIF annual allocated to bridges	(459,220)	(450,000)	(450,000)	(450,000)	(450,000)	(450,000)	(450,000)	(450,000)	(450,000)	(450,000)	(450,000)	(450,000)
OCIF deferred revenue carried forward	(667,280)		(450,000)			(450,000)		(363,000)	(87,000)			
Development Charges												
Reserves	(466,500)		(214,000)			(537,000)			(733,000)	(335,000)		
Borrowing												
<b>Total Financing</b>	<b>(2,400,000)</b>	<b>(1,397,000)</b>	<b>(2,201,000)</b>	<b>(1,677,000)</b>	<b>(1,817,000)</b>	<b>(2,944,000)</b>	<b>(2,097,000)</b>	<b>(2,600,000)</b>	<b>(3,197,000)</b>	<b>(2,852,000)</b>	<b>(2,657,000)</b>	<b>(2,657,000)</b>

**10-Year Bridge Financing Strategy**

		2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035
<b>Reserve/Deferred Revenue Balances</b>												
Bridge Reserve balance	466,500	300,000	763,000	549,000	1,476,000	1,499,000	962,000	1,075,000	1,075,000	342,000	7,000	164,000
OCIF carry forward balance	667,280	-	450,000	-	450,000	450,000	-	450,000	87,000	-	-	-



**The Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey  
Bylaw No. 2025-020**

A bylaw to confirm the proceedings of the special meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey.

WHEREAS Section 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that a municipal power, including a municipality's capacity, rights, powers and privileges under section 9, shall be exercised by bylaw unless the municipality is specifically authorized to do otherwise; and

WHEREAS Section 8 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that the powers of a municipality shall be interpreted broadly to enable it to govern its affairs as it considers appropriate and to enhance the municipality's ability to respond to municipal issues; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey deems it expedient to adopt, confirm and ratify matters dealt with at all meetings of Council;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey hereby enacts as follows:

1. That the proceedings and actions taken by the Council of the Municipality of West Grey at the special Council meeting of March 11, 2025, and in respect of each report, motion, recommendation, bylaw and any other business conducted are, except where the prior approval of the Ontario Land Tribunal or other authority is required by law, hereby adopted and confirmed and shall have the same force and effect as if each and every one of them had been the subject matter of a separate bylaw duly enacted.
2. The Mayor and proper officials of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the action of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey referred to in the preceding section thereof.
3. That on behalf of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey the Mayor or presiding officer of Council and the Clerk or CAO, where instructed to do so, are authorized and directed to execute all documents necessary, and to affix the seal of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey thereto.
4. That this bylaw shall come into force and take effect upon being passed by council.

Passed and enacted by the Council of the Municipality of West Grey this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025.

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Mayor Kevin Eccles

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Jamie M. Eckenswiller, Clerk