

Council report

Meeting date:	June 1, 2021
Title:	Asphalt Resurfacing Artemesia-Glenelg Townline
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Recommendation

That council approves the capital expenditure of up to \$85,000 in 2022, and \$85,000 in 2023 for the asphalt resurfacing of Artemesia-Glenelg Townline; and

That council hereby directs that a bylaw be brought to the next regular meeting of West Grey council to ratify the decision to approve the two-year transfer payment schedule to the Municipality of Grey Highlands.

Executive summary

The Artemesia-Glenelg Townline is a boundary road shared by the Municipality of Grey Highlands and the Municipality of West Grey. The Municipality of Grey Highlands is seeking West Grey's commitment to a cost-sharing proposal for 2022 and 2023 to enable completing the second half of the capital work for this road this year, 2021.

Background and discussion

Council may recall that the first half of Artemesia-Glenelg Townline was paved in 2020 and West Grey and Grey Highlands shared the cost. Grey Highlands is requesting that West Grey support completing the paving of the second half of the road in 2021 to take advantage of desirable asphalt pricing.

The remaining reconstruction and resurfacing of Artemesia-Glenelg Townline, from West Back Line to 200 m north of Pinewood Drive, is approximately 2.9 km. This is a Grey Highlands/ West Grey boundary road, with the capital improvement cost shared 50/50.

Grey Highlands has proposed to pay the full cost of the paving project in 2021, and is offering an opportunity for West Grey to pay back its portion of the cost in 2022 and 2023.



Legal and legislated requirements

Municipal Act, section 289(1.1) provides that a budget for a year immediately following a year in which a regular election is held, may only be adopted in the year to which the budget applies. As such a resolution may provide for full repayment during this term of council; however a bylaw is required to commit repayment beyond this term of council to allow for repayment in 2022 and 2023.

Financial and resource implications

As presented, council's commitment to this capital project in 2021 will result in pre-approved capital expenditures in 2022 and 2023 of approx. \$85,000 each year. Completing this work in 2021 will prevent further deterioration, and secures current pricing. Financing West Grey's costs over two years comes with no interest and enables the partially-completed project to be finalized.

Staffing implications

None

Consultation

CAO, West Grey CAO and Director, Transportation & Environmental Services, Grey Highlands Director of Finance/Treasurer, West Grey Director of Administration/Clerk, West Grey

Alignment to strategic vision plan

- Pillar: Work Together
- Goal: Build partnerships
- Strategy: Explore new cost-sharing initiatives, leverage partnerships with neighbouring municipalities

Attachments

None

Next steps

On council approval, and with the passing of the bylaw, inform the Grey Highlands staff of



West Grey's commitment to enable the asphalt resurfacing of Artemesia-Glenelg Townline to take place in 2021.

Respectfully submitted:

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