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Phase II Public Transit Infrastructure Fund

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Relationship to the Strategic Plan / Health Impact Assessment

This report supports the Strategic Plan adopted by the City of Greater Sudbury, as it aligns with Quality of Life and Place priorities, by removing barriers to transit use by improving transit related infrastructure. In addition, this initiative promotes Population Health in the area of Healthy Streets.

Report Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide information on the Phase II program highlights and requirements.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

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Background

The Government of Canada's Investing in Canada plan, delivered by Infrastructure Canada (INFC), has committed to an investment of \$180 billion in infrastructure over 12 years. Of this federal investment, through a program entitled the Public Transit Infrastructure Fund (PTIF), financial support will be dedicated towards public transit infrastructure which will be delivered in three Phases.

On November 22, 2016 a report titled Public Transit Infrastructure Fund was presented to City Council and on November 6, 2017 a report titled Public Transit Infrastructure Fund Status Report was presented to Community Services Committee. These reports provided highlights and project updates as they relate to Phase I program contributions.

The purpose of this report is to provide information on Phase II PTIF program highlights and requirements.

Phase II PTIF Program Highlights

Building on the previous Public Transit Infrastructure Fund, on March 14, 2018 the Governments of Canada and Ontario signed an Integrated Bilateral Agreement for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program. With an end date of March 31, 2028, the Program encompasses several investment streams. The Public Transit stream allocates a maximum contribution over that time period to the City of Greater Sudbury of \$39.8 million in federal funding and \$32.8 million provincial funding. Assuming a municipal contribution of 27%, this provides a potential total funding maximum of \$99.4 million towards public transit infrastructure projects over the next ten years within the City of Greater Sudbury.

The Agreement's stated overarching objective for the Public Transit stream is to primarily build new urban transit networks and service extensions that will transform the way that Canadians live, move and work. Stated eligible project outcomes include:

- Improved capacity of public transit infrastructure.
- Improved quality and/or safety of existing or future transit systems.
- Improved access to a public transit system.

Stated Agreement targets related to the Public Transit stream include:

- Increase, at a minimum, by 25% the modal share for public transit and active transportation.
- Increase to 95% the percentage of people in a municipality with a transit system that live in the service area of their transit system.

Known ineligible projects include land acquisition, operating costs and non-municipal inter-city transportation.

Details as they relate to criteria of eligible projects, municipal funding share obligations and submission of projects will be provided to municipalities by INFC at a later date.

Next Steps

Further detailed planning is required to define and confirm the various infrastructure improvements to benefit Transit Services and promote active transportation in the City of Greater Sudbury. A detailed infrastructure requirement plan will subsequently be presented for the Community Services Committee's consideration before proceeding with the application for funding.

References

Public Infrastructure Fund, City Council, November 22, 2016

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