CITY OF FORT SASKATCHEWAN

119 Street and Highway 15 Intersection Upgrade Project

Motion:

That Council amend the 2016 Capital Budget in the amount of \$250,000 to include the detailed design of intersection improvements at 119 Street and Highway 15, to be funded from the Medium Industrial Developer Levy Reserve.

Purpose:

To create a new 2016 Capital Project to complete the detailed design of intersection improvements at 119 Street and Highway 15. This project will support development in the Josephburg Road North Industrial Area. The design will include the creation of a 4-way signalized intersection, including turn bays at 119 Street and Highway 15.

Background:

The City of Fort Saskatchewan has received a rezoning application for lands within the Josephburg Road North Industrial Area adjacent to Highway 15 between Josephburg Road and 119 Street. The City has also been involved in preliminary discussions with a developer wishing to develop these lands. In order to accommodate this development an additional highway access is required at 119 Street.

The Josephburg Road North Industrial Area Structure Plan outlines the transportation network for the area. It includes a highway access at 119 Street. The Light / Medium Industrial Levy includes this intersection improvement project within the approved bylaw. The Levy does not include an access at 119 Street, adjacent to the development.

Levy projects are constructed as the need arises. With this development moving forward, the need to construct this intersection must move forward too. The project was not included within the 2016 Budget deliberations, as the developer had not moved forward with their proposal at that time.

Completing the design now allows the City to construct the intersection within the projected timeframes required by the developer. If the development does not move forward immediately the design can be completed and shelved until the need to construct arises.

With the design complete, detailed cost estimates will be generated and brought back to Council for approval of the construction project when needed.

Plans/Standards/Legislation:

- Josephburg Road North Industrial Area Structure Plan
- Light / Medium Industrial Levy Report (Bylaw C1-14)

Financial Implications:

There is currently \$2,500,000 of unallocated funds within the Medium Industrial Developer Levy Reserve, which will fund the design and ultimate construction of the project.

Internal Impacts:

Management of the design project will be completed by Project Management staff. This will have a small impact on project priority, but should not impact the 2016 Capital Program significantly.

Recommendation:

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Attachments:

Transportation Network – Josephburg Road North Industrial Area Structure Plan

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