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Subject: **Request for Budget Amendment – Supply, Delivery and Installation of Four-Fold Doors at 9 Fire Stations**

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Recommendations:

1. That the report titled: “**Request for Budget Amendment – Supply, Delivery and Installation of Four-Fold Doors at 9 Fire Stations**” dated June 3rd, 2021 be received;
2. That a budget amendment be approved to the 2021 Capital Budget and a new capital project be established in the amount of \$1,431,000 for the supply, delivery and installation of four-fold Doors at 9 fire stations with \$1,344,000 of funding allocated from the City’s approved COVID-19 Resiliency Stream government grant to fund construction costs with the remaining \$87,000 to be transferred from capital project 201650-085 - Replace Overhead Doors to fund design costs.

Overview:

- This report seeks Council approval to establish a capital project with sufficient funding to award the competitive procurement for the Supply, Delivery and Installation of Four-Fold Doors at 9 Fire Stations which was contingent on receiving government grant funding.
- Now that the federal and provincial governments have approved the City’s grant application as communicated on April 27th, 2021, a new capital project must be created to allocate the approved funding, award the contract to the successful bidder once the procurement process has concluded and have the ability to pay for costs as they are incurred.

Background:

On October 28, 2020, the Government of Ontario announced the COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream (“COVID stream”) under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) in Ontario. Under the new COVID stream, \$250 million in combined federal-provincial funding was dedicated to local governments across the province to support public infrastructure. As a result, the City performed a comprehensive city-wide assessment to develop a list of priority projects that met the eligibility criteria. Based on this assessment, the City included the supply, delivery and installation of new four-fold doors (also known as bi-fold garage doors) to replace the existing overhead bay doors on the front of 11 fire stations as one of its five priority projects that it will ultimately include as part of its funding application.

Replacing the existing overhead bay doors with four-fold doors will reduce response times as four-fold doors take less than 7 seconds to open whereas traditional overhead doors take 14-21 seconds. Moreover, fewer accidents will occur as crews rush out to respond to 9-1-1 emergency calls since they open much faster and are more visible throughout the opening motion. In addition, four-fold doors require less maintenance and are typically more reliable.

The City submitted this project as part of its application on January 7th, 2021 to the provincial and federal governments. In the meantime, the City issued a public procurement contingent on receiving grant funding to expedite this project as construction must be completed by the end of 2021 to satisfy the grant eligibility criteria. Council approved the associated Request to Begin Procurement Report – Supply, Delivery and Installation of Four-Fold Doors at 11 Fire Stations at the February 17th, 2021 Council Meeting.

Current Situation:

The federal and provincial governments approved the City’s grant application for the replacement of bi-fold doors at 11 fire stations as communicated to the City on April 27th, 2021 with an approved budget of \$1,344,000. A scope change was submitted on April 30th, 2021 to reduce the scope from 11 fire stations to 9 fire stations due to space and budget constraints after extensive due diligence was conducted. The City is still awaiting approval for this scope change but the federal government recommended the procurement still proceed as planned and a formal scope change be approved once the City gets the final bids while still maintaining the original federal funding contribution.

Therefore a capital project can now be set up with sufficient funding to cover the estimated cost for the supply, delivery and installation of four-fold doors at 9 fire stations. This is required so that the public procurement currently underway can be formally awarded to the successful bidder once the procurement process has concluded as it was contingent on receiving approved government grant funding.

Corporate Implications:

Financial Implications:

A budget amendment to the 2021 Capital Budget is required so that a new capital project can be established in the amount of \$1,431,000 for the supply, delivery and installation of four-fold Doors at 9 fire stations. \$1,344,000 of funding will be allocated from the City's approved COVID-19 Resiliency Stream government grant to fund construction costs with the remaining \$87,000 to be transferred from capital project 201650-085 - Replace Overhead Doors to fund design costs.

Term of Council Priorities:

This report has been prepared in full consideration of the Term of Council Priority of "Brampton is a Healthy & Safe City" by positively affecting emergency response times and thereby improving the safety of the City's residents. In addition, this report helps achieve the Term of Council Priority of "Brampton is a Well-Run City" by leveraging alternative funding sources to maintain service delivery.

Conclusion:

It is recommended that a budget amendment to the 2021 Capital Budget be approved to allocate the recently approved government grant funding to a newly created capital project so that the public tender can be awarded to the successful bidder for the supply, delivery and installation of four-fold doors at 9 fire stations.

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