

Date: 2022-06-02

Subject: **Recommendation Report - Enhancement of Williams Parkway including themes and other options (McLaughlin Road to Dixie Road)**

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Recommendations:

1. That the report titled Recommendation Report – Enhancement of Williams Parkway including themes and other options (McLaughlin Road to Dixie Road) – Ward 1,5 & 7 (Escribe Item Number 2022-474, Capital Works File No. 08-3302-211), to the Committee of Council meeting of June 22, 2022 be received;
2. That Council direct staff to proceed with the recommendations presented as part of this report; and
3. That Council direct staff to utilize the funds of \$300,000 approved for Staining of Existing Noise Wall in the 2022 Capital budget from Project #223840-001 for the revised scope of work to integrate local artwork, subject to Council approval of the recommendation presented in this report.

Overview:

- **On January 25, 2022 Council directed staff to report back part of a referred matter list, RM 3/2022;**
- **Staff developed the concept design with landscape plan including themes, ‘Flowering and Foliage’ on Williams Parkway;**
- **As directed by Council, staff are considering the integration of artistic work in the project, which would build on the themes and elements in public right of way at intersections and underpasses;**

- **Staff is seeking Council direction to utilize \$300,000, Project #223840-001 already approved in the 2022 Capital budget by Council to implement the scope for “other options” presented in this report;**
- **The construction for the landscape and integration of art work are planned for construction start in fall 2023 and completion by end of 2026.**

Background:

On January 25, 2022 Council directed staff to report back part of a referred matter list, RM 3/2022, a plan for the five kilometer noise wall project on Williams Parkway that identifies: location of urban landscape and trees, and potential themes and timelines for implementation, and other options.

Current Situation:

Landscape Plan including Themes:

Staff developed landscape plans which elaborates locations of trees and center median plantings at strategic locations including enhanced plantings. Selected trees species will be used that emphasize on flowering and foliage themes, Please see attached Appendix –‘A’ on details for reference. The timing for construction is planned to start by fall 2023 and be complete by end of 2026.

The landscape plan including themes that are planned to be implemented are part of the overall Williams Parkway redevelopment project.

Other Options:

As directed by Council, staff are considering the integration of artistic work in the project design, in support of this overarching project goal. Public artwork should be located so as to be a pedestrian amenity and consideration may be given to incorporating art into otherwise standard street elements, such as light poles, utility boxes, street banners, benches and trash receptacles at locations described in the attached Appendix –‘A’.

City staff are engaging with a public art consultant to determine the types and scales of artworks that could be integrated into the overall Williams Parkway redevelopment project subject to Council approval on the scope.

Corporate Implications:

Financial Implications:

Subject to Council approval of the recommendations in this report, there is sufficient approved funding available from the following project for the integration of artworks within the Williams Parkway project:

Project #	Available Balance
223840-001	\$300,000

Other Implications:

All procurement related to the recommendations presented in this report shall be in accordance with the Purchasing By-law.

Term of Council Priorities:

The recommendation outlined in this report, achieve the Term of Council Priority, for Brampton is a Mosaic by engaging and communicating with diverse groups. Also align Brampton Vision 2040, living the Mosaic, a bold new vision for the future of Brampton.

Conclusion:

Staff developed a landscape plan including themes and other options presented in this report and is seeking Council approval on the recommendations, including approval to utilize \$300,000, Project #223840-001 already approved as part of 2022 budget to implement the scope for “other options” as presented in this report.

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Attachments: Appendix – ‘A’ - Presentation for landscape plan including themes and other options