

COUNCIL REPORT

TO: CITY MANAGER**DATE:** 2007 July 05**FROM:** FIRE CHIEF**SUBJECT:** 2007 CAPITAL PROJECTS

PURPOSE: To obtain Council approval in bringing down a Capital Reserves Expenditures Bylaw to finance a feasibility study, for the purpose of determining the costs associated with the design and construction of an additional (third) apparatus bay and equipment storage area for Fire Station 6.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** Council bring down a Capital Reserves Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$53,000 (inclusive of 6% G.S.T.) to finance the project identified in this Report.

REPORT**1.0 BACKGROUND****Fire Station 6 – Design and Construction of a third apparatus bay and equipment storage area.**

Currently Fire Station 6, built in 1972, has two apparatus bays. Since 1972, the role of the Fire Department has diversified. Specialized vehicles for hazmat response, technical rescue and wildland firefighting have been added to the vehicle fleet to support the different disciplines within the Fire Department.

Due to the lack of storage space, a number of specialized vehicles and trailers are stored outside, adjacent to the apparatus bays at various Fire Stations. Construction of a third apparatus bay at Fire Station 6 will allow these specialized response vehicles to be secured and maintained in a stable environment.

A feasibility study is required to determine the costs associated with this proposed project.

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2.0 FINANCING

Sufficient Capital Reserves are available, and this project is included within the 2007-2011 Provisional Capital Program. This project is being advanced for consideration as part of the 2007 Annual Capital Program.

3.0 CONCLUSION

Council is requested to bring down a Capital Reserves Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$53,000 (inclusive of 6% G.S.T.) to finance the design and construction of an additional (third) apparatus bay and equipment storage area for Fire Station 6.


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