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RE: 1981 CAPITAL BUDGET - CAPITAL CONTINGENCY FUND

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

1. *THAT the report of the Director Engineering be received for information purposes.*

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER 81 11 18
 FROM: DIRECTOR ENGINEERING
 SUBJECT: 1981 CAPITAL BUDGET - CAPITAL CONTINGENCY FUND

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT this report be received for the information of Council.

SUMMARY:

This report provides the necessary information to support the Municipal Manager's approval to use funds from the capital contingency fund for the purchase of additional memory for the mapping computer and thereby allowing the Engineering Department to withdraw a major purchase from the 1982 C.I.P. provisional budget.

REPORT:

With the rapidly advancing technology in the field of computers we are, on a regular basis, receiving new releases which will upgrade the efficiency and scope of the mapping graphics computer. The supplier has indicated to us that in order for our mapping computer to accept the latest upgrading we would be required to expand the computer's memory.

Our preliminary review of how we might accomplish this indicated that this may be a rather expensive item because there was some question of the compatibility of two different types of computer memory. At present the computer contains what they call 'CORE' memory, however, with technological advances they have developed a much more efficient and compact 'MOSS' memory. Due to this uncertainty regarding the compatibility of the two types of memory, we budgeted an amount of \$58,500.00 for this in the 1982 C.I.P. provisional budget. However, since submitting this budget, we have worked closely with the supplier and he has now given us a firm quotation that includes the replacement of the existing CORE memory with MOSS memory and the addition of more MOSS memory. The supplier's quotation for all of this is \$28,101.00 minus a \$7,000.00 credit for our trade-in of the existing CORE memory.

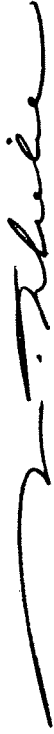
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This quotation is all inclusive with the only exception being Provincial sales tax and is conditional that we place an order within the next two weeks.

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Because of these recent developments we requested the Treasury Department to look into the possibility of funding this purchase within the 1981 budget. They advised that the capital contingency fund had approximately \$49,000.00 available in it. We next approached the Municipal Manager with a request to approve the expenditure of approximately \$23,000.00 to come from the capital contingency fund. With this approval we were then able to remove \$58,500.00 from our 1982 provisional budget.



DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

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cc: () Treasurer
() Municipal Manager