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COUNCIL REPORT

TO:

CITY MANAGER

DATE:

2011 January 26

FROM:

DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

FILE:

32000 05 Work Orders

SUBJECT:

2011 CURB BULGES CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

PURPOSE:

To seek funding approval for the 2001 Curb Bulge Construction Program

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT A Capital Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$260,000 (inclusive of 12% HST) be brought forward to finance the installation of permanent curb bulges at various locations, as described in this report.

REPORT

The City has an annual curb bulge construction program that consists of installing new curb bulges and replacing existing temporary rubber curb bulges. The temporary rubber curb bulges were originally installed as safety enhancements, primarily at school crosswalks, and they have been successful in enhancing the crosswalk. The curb bulge program has been well received by the schools in which they were installed. In general, curb bulges are viewed as valuable traffic safety and traffic calming devices. Their benefits include enhancing the visibility of the pedestrians at the crosswalk, reducing the crossing width for pedestrians and providing traffic calming by reducing vehicle speed. There are approximately eight locations where the permanent concrete curb bulges will be installed under the 2011 program. The construction program is estimated at \$260,000 (inclusive of 12% HST). Sufficient capital reserves are available and these expenditures are included in the Traffic Management component of the 2011 Provisional Financial Plan.

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