City of Mississauga

Corporate Report



Date: June 14, 2024

To: Chair and Members of General Committee

From: Shari Lichterman, CPA, CMA, City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer

Meeting date: June 19, 2024

Subject

Municipal Funding Agreement for the Canada Community-Building Fund

Recommendation

- 1. That a by-law be enacted to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF) Municipal Funding Agreement with the Association of Municipalities (AMO) related to the funding provided by the Government of Canada.
- That a by-law be enacted to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the pending Transfer agreement between the City and the Region of Peel for the allocation of the Regional portion of CCBF to the three lower-tier municipalities.
- 3. That Council delegate authority to the City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer, and the Director of Finance and Treasurer, to sign any forms and reports required under the CCBF agreement.

Background

The CCBF, previously known as the Federal Gas Tax funding, was launched in 2005 and transferred funds directly to Ontario Municipalities. It is administered through AMO. In addition to funds the City receives directly, the Region of Peel also allocates a portion of their CCBF funding allocation to Brampton, Caledon and Mississauga. Since 2005, the City has received \$725.8M in CCBF/Federal Gas Tax funding.

Comments

The current CCBF Municipal Funding Agreement covers the 10-year period from April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2034. As the previous 2014-2024 Federal Gas Tax Agreement has expired, a new agreement must be signed before the City receives any funds.

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The new agreement permits funding for 18 categories and some of these categories are as follows:

- Capacity-building
- Community energy systems
- Cultural, Recreational and Tourism Infrastructure
- Drinking Water
- Fire halls
- Local Roads and Bridges
- Public Transit
- Waste Water

Please see Schedule A under Municipal Funding Agreement for the remaining categories.

The Region of Peel has not yet finalized the Transfer agreement that shows the allocation of their portion of the CCBF to the lower tier municipalities. The timing of that agreement has not been confirmed by Peel staff.

As an addition to the previous agreement, there are requirements around housing needs. The CCBF will continue to provide predictable funding – without a need for application – to be invested into priority infrastructure projects. The City of Mississauga is expected to prioritize projects that support the growth of the housing supply. The Housing Needs Assessment (HNA) is to be used by Municipalities to prioritize, where possible, Infrastructure or capacity building projects that support increased housing supply where it makes sense to do so. Under the CCBF's renewed agreement, single-tier and lower-tier municipalities with a 2021 Census population of 30,000 or more must complete a Housing Needs Assessment by March 2025.

Financial Impact

Over the next five years, the annual estimated receipts directly from the Government of Canada will be as follows:

Year	Scheduled Payment
2024	22,572,780.49
2025	23,513,313.01
2026	23,513,313.01
2027	24,453,845.53
2028	24,453,845.53

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Conclusion

The CCBF is a critical part of the City's funding strategy for its capital infrastructure. These funds are primarily used to ensure a state of good repair for the City's transit program, roads and bridges. Approval of the Municipal Funding Agreement and the delegation of authority for approval of the pending Region of Peel transfer agreement will ensure that the City's critical infrastructure is maintained.

Attachments

Appendix 1: Municipal Funding Agreement on the Canada Community-Building Fund (Term April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2034)

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