



REPORT N° INF2019-016

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Subject	ICIP Funding Application for Laurier Street Revitalization
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1) **NATURE/GOAL :**

The nature of this report is to inform Council of the City's application for funding under the ICIP Road stream for Rural and Northern communities with a population under 100,000 for the Laurier Revitalization project. If successful, the City can receive a maximum total grant of \$5 million.

2) **DIRECTIVE/PREVIOUS POLICY :**

N/A

3) **DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDATION :**

THAT Report INF2019-016 be received as information.

QUE le rapport INF2019-016 soit reçu à titre d'information.

4) **BACKGROUND :**

The first stream of Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) funding for Rural and Northern communities with a population under 100,000 was announced on March 12, 2019 and is now open for project applications. The completed application and supporting documentation must be submitted by 11:59:59 p.m. EDT on May 14, 2019 to be considered.

The goal of this stream is to support projects that improve the quality of life in rural and northern communities by responding to specific needs. In the past, the City was successful in securing funding under the Roads stream for infrastructure projects such as the Bearbrook Bridge replacement project.

5) **DISCUSSION :**

The City is currently working on the Laurier Street Revitalization project, which is in its preliminary design phase. The City will submit an application, before the May 14, 2019 deadline, under the ICIP Road stream for Rural and Northern communities with a population under 100,000, for this project. If the City's applicant is successful, the City can receive a maximum total grant of \$5 million for this project. Refer to table **8.2 Cost Sharing** in attachment 1 for the breakdown of maximum share percentages of the total eligible cost.

This project was chosen because it was identified as a top priority in both the City's Strategic Plan and in its Asset Management Program. This project strategically aims at improving the health and safety of motorized and active transportation, beautifying the City's main street, improving accessibility to existing businesses and attracting new businesses. All of these desired outcomes are very well aligned with those of the ICIP program as identified in the application's assessment criteria; Refer to Attachment 1 for full details of application requirements.

Criterion 1: Criticality of health and/or safety risk

Criterion 2: Technical merit of proposed project

Criterion 3: Funding need for the proposed project

Criterion 4: Efficiencies through joint projects Additional consideration will be given to joint projects for providing benefit to multiple communities and generating economies of scale.

6) **CONSULTATION:**

N/A

7) **RECOMMENDATIONS OR COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE/ OTHER DEPARTMENTS :**

N/A

8) **FINANCIAL IMPACT (expenses/material/etc.):**

A successful application and award of this grant will reduce future budget implications for this project.

9) **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS :**

N/A

10) **RISK MANAGEMENT :**

The project aims at improving the health and safety of motorized and active transportation.

11) **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS :**

This project was identified as a top priority in both the City's Strategic Plan and in its Asset Management Program

12) **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Attachment 1 - Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program - Rural and Northern Communities Funding Stream Ontario Program Guidelines