



REPORT N° AMÉ-20-16-R

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Subject	County Road modification Agreement
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1) **NATURE/GOAL :**

The nature of this report is to delegate Council's authority to the Director of Infrastructure and Planning for the signature of an agreement with the United Counties of Prescott and Russell in regards to modifications that will be undertaken on St-Jean Street.

2) **DIRECTIVE/PREVIOUS POLICY :**

n/a

3) **DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDATION :**

THAT Council delegate the authority to the Director of Infrastructure and Planning to sign the County Road Modification Work Agreement for the works on County Road No. 21 known as St-Jean Street.

QUE le Conseil délègue l'autorité au directeur d'infrastructure et aménagement du territoire pour la signature de l'entente de la modification du chemin de Comté 21 connu sous le nom de la rue St-Jean.

4) **BACKGROUND :**

A traffic study was completed by Castleglenn Consultants Inc for the City of Clarence-Rockland in December 2018 that identified multiple improvements that will be needed on St-Jean Street, Poupart Side Road and some intersections throughout Rockland. Those improvements will be necessary in the next few years following all of the new development happening in Rockland. In the approval of the Draft Plan of Subdivision of Brigil and Spacebuilders (Stage 5), it was indicated that the developers would be responsible to design and build to municipal standards St-Jean Street and Poupart Side Road and that the design must follow the recommendation of the traffic study that was undertaken. As such, since the Development Charge Study identified St-Jean Street as a project to be undertaken by the City, the United Counties would like to enter into an agreement with the City for the construction of the works to be done on the said road.

5) **DISCUSSION :**

The United Counties of Prescott is requesting that we enter into an agreement in regards to the required improvements on St-Jean Street, being a County Road. The improvements to St-Jean Street was

identified in the traffic study undertaken by Castleglenn Consultants and was also listed as a big project to be undertaken under the Development Charge Background Study. The City has started discussions with Atrel Engineering, the Engineer for Brigil and Spacebuilders, in regards to the design and construction timeframe of the Works to be completed.

In the Draft Plan of Subdivision of Brigil and Morris Village Stage 5, the Counties has requested as a condition that a traffic study be completed. This was completed in 2018. Another condition from the Counties indicated that the Owners must carry out the recommendations contained in the approved traffic study. As the City decided to include the recommended works under the Development Charge Study, the City is now being responsible to complete the works with the help of Brigil and Spacebuilders. It is for this reason that the Counties are requiring that we enter into an agreement to ensure that the City will complete the required works. If the City does not wish to sign the agreement and complete the works, the developers will be responsible to carry out the works and pay for the upgrades to St-Jean Street. At this time, the Counties are also withholding the signature of future Subdivision Agreements until the County Road modification agreement is signed.

The agreement mainly stipulates that the works to be completed, as per the traffic study, will be at the City's expense and that the County authorizes the City to complete the works on their road and on their behalf. The City has already planned those works under the Development Charge and as such, we do not foresee an issue in signing this agreement. The agreement also stipulate that we must keep the Counties involved in the design and construction process and that we must obtain proper permits, insurance and approvals.

In order to continue signing Subdivision agreements and issuing building permits, this agreement needs to be signed as soon as possible. It is recommended that the Director of Infrastructure be delegated the authority to sign.

6) **CONSULTATION:**
n/a

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

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

The works to be completed are included in the Development Charge and part of the works are already planned in the budget 2020.

9) **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS :**

The Agreement was verified by the City's insurance company.

10) **RISK MANAGEMENT :**

The agreement between the City and the County is a way to ensure who is responsible to complete the works and pay for it.

11) **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS :**

The signature of this agreement will ensure that Subdivision Agreements can be signed with developers.

12) **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

County Road modification Agreement