



TO: Mayor J. Lehman and Members of General Committee

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RE: Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program Application Submission

DATE: June 1, 2015

The following information is being provided for General Committee's information.

Through the Economic Action Plan 2015, and as part of a coordinated federal approach to celebrating Canada's 150th anniversary, the Government of Canada has launched the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program (CIP 150). The program provides \$150 million nationally over 2 years to support the rehabilitation, renovation and expansion of existing community infrastructure.

The CIP 150 can provide up to 50 percent of funding of total project costs of infrastructure projects, however priority may be given to those projects which require a federal contribution of only one-third of the total project cost. Eligible infrastructure projects are those which are open for use to the public, can be linked to Canada's 150th Anniversary, are currently construction-ready, and can be substantially completed by March 31, 2018. Applicants are required to attest that the work to be undertaken is an incremental construction that would not have otherwise been constructed or constructed as quickly (incrementality). Recipients may receive contributions up to \$1,000,000 however to ensure that projects are completed within the required timeframe priority may also be given to smaller scoped projects.

Following the review of both the eligibility criteria and a number of infrastructure projects, The City identified the following 4 projects (listed below in order of application priority) to be submitted for CIP 150 funding:

Project	Scope	Rational for Eligibility
Allandale Historical Train Station	Parking lot, pedestrian connections, signage, lighting, loading zone, fencing, fit-out of the interior and build out of exterior spaces.	<p>Readiness: Yes, design and contract documentation ready for Jan 2016, construction April 2016 completed by early 2017.</p> <p>Link to Anniversary: Connects and celebrates Canada's rail history and First Nations history.</p> <p>Incrementality: Additional funding will extend the scope of the project.</p> <p>Economic Benefits: Improved accessibility, community usage, tourism, and improved energy efficiency.</p>
Dunlop Street Corridor Improvements	Mulcaster to Five Points (Bayfield Street) Reconstruction of road, replace sidewalks, curb, possible concrete parking bays, landscape and streetscape programming, streetlights and ducts, and storm drainage,	<p>Readiness: Yes, project could be advanced and substantially completed by March 2018.</p> <p>Link to Anniversary: Modernizing infrastructure and the historical significance of downtown Barrie.</p> <p>Incrementality: Additional funding will advance timing of the construction of the project.</p> <p>Economic Benefits: Contributes to the economic</p>

	water and sanitary	development of the downtown area – Urban Growth Center, and an increase in tourism and accessibility.
Centennial Park	Path realignment, lighting improvements, bench relocations, pedestrian bridge addition, creation of event and general recreation areas, enhancing/restoring/preserving landscaping elements. Excludes splash pad, concession building replacement, parking lots.	Readiness: Yes, could be advanced and substantially completed by March 2018. Link to Anniversary: The park has a history of development projects related to Canada's Confederation including the Trans Canada trail for 125 th anniversary, and original construction in honor of 100th anniversary. Incrementality: Additional funding will advance the timing of the construction of the project. Economic Benefits: Increased use of park facilities; increased recreational opportunities, both organized and informal; tourism potential in festival planning and attraction of facilities.
Military Heritage Park	Hard surfaced urban or Ceremonial Square that can allow for events, central roundhouse plateau allowing for long distance views, more tree plantings and floral displays, earth berm and small mounds to reflect environment and feel of trenches, a small beach and educational displays.	Readiness: Yes, could be advanced and substantially completed by March 2018. Link to Anniversary: The project has significant connections to the Canadian military and is a site for honoring veterans and soldiers. Incrementality: Additional funding will advance the timing of the construction of the project. Economic Benefits: Increased community usage, improves accessibility, increased tourism and leverages partnerships with Rotary Club and CFB Borden.

Other community infrastructure projects were considered such as Dorian Park Center, Memorial Square Redevelopment, and the Allandale Recreation Centre upgrades; however these do not meet the selection criteria described above.

Details pertaining to the Allandale Station project will be issued on June 22, 2015 staff report. At this time there is no request to adjust funding for the projects that have previously received funding approval for the projects that are outlined in the 2015-2019 Capital Plan. Once the outcome of the funding applications is known, a staff report will recommend the necessary funding changes.

General Committee will be kept apprised of the status of the application.