

Report to Council



Date: July 12, 2021
To: Council
From: City Manager
Subject: 2021 BC Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant Application
Department: Integrated Transportation

Recommendation:

THAT Council receives, for information, the report from Integrated Transportation dated July 12, 2020 with respect to the 2021 BC Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant Application;

AND THAT Council directs staff to apply for grant funding for the Casorso 4 ATC (Ethel to KLO) through the Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant;

AND THAT the City of Kelowna confirms that the above-mentioned project is construction ready;

AND THAT Council authorizes staff to execute all documents necessary to complete the grant, if successful;

AND THAT, if the grant application is successful, the 2021 Financial Plan be amended to include the receipt of funds;

AND FURTHER THAT the City of Kelowna will be responsible for its share of the eligible costs, ineligible costs, and potential overruns related to the project.

Purpose:

To approve the Casorso 4 ATC (Ethel to KLO) project to be submitted to the BC Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure's 2021/22 Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant Program.

Background:

The B.C. Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant Program provides cost-sharing opportunities for network planning grants and infrastructure grants. Funding from these grant programs support the development of active transportation infrastructure for all ages and abilities.

The Integrated Transportation department, in partnership with Infrastructure Delivery, have historically applied to the BC Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant program (formerly BikeBC) on a yearly

basis. The grant covers 50 per cent of eligible costs associated with active transportation infrastructure, to a maximum of \$500,000.

Discussion:

After reviewing the grant criteria, staff recommend that the Casorso 4 ATC (Ethel to KLO) be submitted for consideration in this year's intake. The Casorso ATC will continue the recently completed Ethel ATC as one of the primary north-south bike routes in the city. It will provide also direct access to Okanagan College.

Conclusion:

The deadline for applications to the B.C. Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant Program is July 30th, 2021. If the application is successful, the City will likely be able to accelerate design and construction of active transportation infrastructure in the 10-Year Capital Plan.

Internal Circulation:

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Financial/Budgetary Considerations:

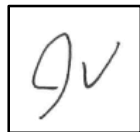
- If the application is successful, the 2021 Financial Plan will be amended to update the funding source for the project.

Considerations not applicable to this report:

External Agency/Public Comments:
Communications Comments:
Legal/Statutory Authority:
Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements:
Existing Policy:

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