

Recommendation:

That the Public Works-2023-01 report, dated February 14, 2023, regarding the Grandfathering of Surface Treated Roads be received for information and that Council approve the changes made to Policy T27 – Criteria for Surface Treatment.

Overview:

There was a previous decision to turn selected surface treated roads back to gravel that did not meet the criteria in Policy T27. Staff and Council received several delegations against this approach after residents had their road surfaces turned to gravel. Council made a resolution to grandfather existing surface treated roads and incorporate them into future plans. These road sections have been added to the 10-year surface treatment plan as per Council's resolution 329-2019 on September 3, 2019.

Resolution Number 329-2019

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Moher

Seconded by: Councillor Landsmann

That Council receive the Memo regarding notes from the Special Council meeting on road issues keep on August 8, 2019, that Council approves of reducing one of the construction projects for 2019 to provide additional resources to accommodate all of the recommendations in the plan; The project that is to be reduced in magnitude is Douglas Road; Staff will notify the residents of the change and that it is not removed but just spread over a couple of years;

That staff be requested to revise the long term construction schedule to accommodate the need for additional maintenance resources; staff will provide a draft of this for Council consideration; that the gravel resurfacing long term plan will be revised to reflect the change from 6 inches of gravel every 10 years to 3 inches of gravel every 5-7 years;

And that the Surface treatment long term plan will be revised to incorporate a grandfathering of existing hard surface roads into future plans to leave these surface treated roads; Staff will provide a revised plan to incorporate these roads; And finally, that it be included in the 2020 budget to hire an additional staff person (labourer) for the Public Works Department to assist in meeting the requirement for maintenance activities.

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Conclusion:

The end result is to leave all surface treated roads as they were/are and incorporate them into the surface treatment plan.

The following roads are outstanding and are scheduled, pending budget approval to be returned to surface treatment in the year indicated below, taken from the 10-year road plan that was revised following Council's Resolution in September 2019:

2023 - Fourth Line Road South Dummer, Section 58, Centre Dummer to Clifford Rd

2023 - Center Dummer Road, approx. 1.3km East of Fourth Line Road South Dummer

2025 - Mill Line, Section 26, from County Road 40 to Bridge

Financial Impact: Budgeted during annual capital budget process

Strategic Plan Applicability: To ensure that the public works department operates efficiently and effectively.

Sustainability Plan Applicability: N/A

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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