

To: Board of Management

From: Robin D. Hale Chief Operating Officer

Subject: PARKING LOT 2 PAVING PROJECT

Date: 2010-08-09

Summary:

This report recommends approval for the Chief Executive Officer to award a tender for the Parking Lot 2 Paving project.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the CEO be authorized to award the contract for the Parking Lot 2 Paving project, part of the Capital Budget allocation within the 2010-2014 Capital Works Program. The budget available for this work is \$500,000.

Financial Impact:

There are no financial implications to this report as the required funds are within the approved 2010-2014 Capital Works Program.

Background:

The overflow parking lots at the Zoo are not paved and have no line markings to identify parking spaces. Parking Lot 2 (Lot 2) is located on the east side of Meadowvale Road and has a gravel surface. The parking lot has poor drainage and as such is not useable during the winter and spring time periods. In 2009, Lot 2 was used on 40 occasions. Paving Lot 2 will permit additional usage and the parking of additional vehicles thus generating additional revenue.

Comments/Discussion:

Investigation has been undertaken to determine the feasibility of using permeable paving at Lot 2. A consulting engineering firm is preparing the specifications and drawings for a tender with both permeable and traditional paving options. It is expected that the tender will be issued during the week of 2010-08-16. The tender results will not be available until the beginning of September. With the potential of a change to the timing of the September Board meeting, and no further meetings scheduled until after the City elections, it is necessary to ensure a timely award of the tender.

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Approval for the CEO to award the tender for the Parking Lot 2 Paving project will allow construction to be undertaken for an end of year completion.

R. D. Hale Chief Operating Officer

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