COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - SEPTEMBER 18, 2006

MERINO ROAD FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Community Services, in consultation with the Director of Building and Facilities and the Director of Reserves and Investments recommends:

- 1. That this report be received for information; and,
- 2. That funding for this project be considered in the 2007 Capital Budget.

Economic Impact

The amount of \$100,000 be included in the 2007 Capital Budget submissions for consideration by the Budget Committee.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to respond to Council direction that staff review the existing facilities at this building, and report back to Council.

Background - Analysis and Options

At the Council meeting of February 27, 2006, Council approved report no. 9, item 20, Merino Road Facility and recommended the following:

- 1. Staff review the opportunity to install increased parking at the rear of the facility;
- Staff review moving the various club/group offices to the lower level to allow the main floor space to be expanded; and
- 3. Staff review the possibility of upgrading the washroom facilities.

In response to Council direction, staff provide the following information:

Staff have reviewed the site and have determined that an additional 13 spaces can be accommodated. In addition, staff has had discussions with the various user groups with respect to relocating their respective offices in order to expand the common area for the purpose of increasing the capacity for their functions. These discussions are on going at this time, including the potential of some groups moving off-site to other City locations. Plans will be finalized in the fall of 2006 regarding the possible re-location of the various groups.

Staff has also reviewed the upgrading of the washroom facilities and have determined that it is warranted and is feasible to upgrade the existing washrooms.

The combined estimated cost for the proposed renovation is \$100,000.00, as itemized below:

| Parking lot | \$ 40,000 |
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| Modifications and upgrades to HVAC equipment | \$ 20,000 |
| Demolition, restoration of walls, ceiling and lighting | \$ 15,000 |
| Upgrading of washrooms, addressing accessibility issues | \$ 10,000 |
| Flooring restoration and replacement | <u>\$ 15,000</u> |
| Total | \$100,000 |

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is in keeping with Vaughan Vision 2007, in particular, A-1 Serve our Citizens – Pursue Excellence in the Delivery of Core Services, and B-3 – Manage our Resources – Revitalize Infrastructure.

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have not been allocated and approved.

Conclusion

That Council receive this report for information and that a capital funding request be brought forward for consideration in the 2007 capital budget cycle. In the interim, staff will continue to liaise with the user groups regarding the relocations in an effort to ensure their needs can be accommodated.

Attachments

None.

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Respectfully submitted,

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