

REPORT NO. PW-24-34

TO: Mayor & Members of Council

**DEPARTMENT:** Public Works **MEETING DATE:** August 15, 2024

SUBJECT: PRESSEY LINE RECONSTRUCTION DEFERRAL

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Report No. PW-24-34 entitled "Pressey Line Reconstruction Deferral" be received;

AND THAT Staff be authorized to amend our existing agreement for surface treatment with Duncor Enterprises relating to the Pressey Line Reconstruction work to reflect the deferral of the work until the 2025 construction season;

AND FURTHER THAT the funds previously approved in the 2024 Capital Budget for this project be carried over to 2025.

#### **PURPOSE & BACKGROUND:**

The Pressey Line Reconstruction from Springfield Road to Catherine Street in Springfield has been approved through the 2024 Capital Budget.

The road reconstruction and drainage improvements will be completed by Malahide staff, with the surface treatment being applied by a third-party contractor.

#### **COMMENTS & ANALYSIS:**

The Pressey Line Reconstruction work was originally planned to begin in June 2024. Part of the work involves relocation of other existing utilities to accommodate the reconstruction work. Due to delays in having the utilities relocated, staff have concerns with the ability to get the work completed in 2024.

Staff identify the following 3 options:

1. Proceed with construction in 2024 as planned

The major concern with this course of action is that the road will not be ready for final surface treatment until November. This is getting very late in the season to be applying surface treatment, and our surface treatment contractor has advised us that they would be unable to provide warranty for the work due to the

unfavourable installation conditions in November. For this reason, staff do not recommend this option.

2. Proceed with road base and drainage reconstruction only

In this scenario, Malahide staff could proceed with the road base and drainage works in 2024, but defer the surface treatment until 2025. This would see the majority of the work completed in 2024, however it would result in this section of road being left with a gravel surface through the winter months into 2025. Staff believe that this would cause a nuisance to the local residents through the winter and spring months, as well as making winter control activities more challenging. For these reasons, staff do not recommend this option.

3. Defer the entire reconstruction work until 2025

In this scenario, Malahide staff would defer the entire project until 2025. This represents the most efficient way to complete the work, and minimizes the duration of inconvenience to the residents of Springfield.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The aggregate materials required for this project were tendered in 2024 at an estimated cost of \$150,640.00.

The surface treatment for this project was tendered in 2024 at an estimated cost of \$28,800.

The Surface Treatment contractor (Duncor Enterprises) has agreed to extend the 2024 pricing for this project if delayed until spring 2025. The Granular Supply contractor (McKenzie & Henderson) has advised that due to variability in the granular supply market conditions, they are unable to commit to holding their 2024 unit pricing. As such, there is a potential for the overall capital cost to increase due to the requirement to retender the aggregate supply portion of the project in 2025. Staff will amend the proposed 2025 capital budget to account for this potential change in pricing.

# **LINK TO STRATEGIC & OPERATIONAL PLANS:**

Deferring the reconstruction of Pressey Line aligns with 2023 Strategic plan by being flexible and solution-oriented in order to decrease service delays to the residents of Springfield.

### **CONSULTATION:**

- Roads & Construction Manager
- DunCor Enterprises Inc. (surface treatment)
- McKenzie & Henderson Ltd. (aggregate supply)

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

None.

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