



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To Public Works & Transportation - Aug 31, 2005

To: Public Works and Transportation Committee **Date:** July 20, 2005
From: Robert Gonzalez, P.Eng. **File:** 10-6400-01
Director, Engineering
Re: Reallocation of Funds to Complete Sewer Repairs in the Bridgeport Area

Staff Recommendation

That the transfer of \$73,000 of excess capital funding from the Jesmond Sanitary Sewer Replacement (project #40625) be approved to allow commencement of sanitary sewer repairs in the Bridgeport area.

Robert Gonzalez, P.Eng.
Director, Engineering
(4150)

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Staff Report

Origin

Through an inspection of the Bridgeport area sanitary sewers in January 2005, numerous deficiencies were identified at various levels of disrepair. There presently isn't a funding source to complete the immediate repairs in this area. The purpose of this report is to request Council's approval to reallocate excess funding from a previously approved sanitary sewer project that was completed within budget to commence those sewer repairs in the Bridgeport area that require immediate attention.

Analysis

The City received a provincial grant of \$20,000 in 2004 to conduct a condition assessment of sanitary sewers in the Bridgeport area. A requirement of this grant was that completion of the inspection related work had to be completed by March 2005.

Staff completed the sewer investigation work as required and received the full benefit of the grant. The work completed yielded that the sanitary sewers are in various states of disrepair, while many were categorized as being in need of immediate attention.

Staff had planned to bring forward a request for capital funding in 2006 to complete the Bridgeport area sewer repairs identified following the 2005 inspection program. Given that a number of sewer repairs were identified as requiring immediate attention, staff recommend that this work be advanced for completion in 2005. Accordingly, a reduced capital funding request for the balance of the Bridgeport area sewer repairs is intended for Council consideration in 2006.

Alternatively, this work could be deferred until 2006 assuming Council approves the capital funding submission at that time. However, this option is not recommended as the intended repairs require immediate attention.

There is presently no funding source available to complete the sewer repairs in the Bridgeport area. In order to complete this work, it is proposed to reallocate excess funding from a sewer related capital project that was completed within budget as highlighted in Appendix A.

Financial Impact

The funding source required to commence work on the Bridgeport area sewer repairs has been identified as the Jesmond Sanitary Sewer Replacement (40625), with excess funds of \$73,000.

Conclusion

In order to proceed with the immediate repairs in the Bridgeport area, staff recommend that Council approve the reallocation of excess sanitary utility funds from the Jesmond Sanitary Sewer Replacement project that was completed within budget as discussed in the foregoing report.

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Jim V. Young, P. Eng.
Manager Engineering Design and Construction
(4610)

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APPENDIX A

Approved Project	Funds Remaining	Funding Transfer
Jesmond Sanitary Sewer Replacement (40625)	\$73,427	\$73,000
Total Reallocation of Funding		\$73,000

Total reallocated funding	\$ 73,000
Funds remaining from the Bridgeport Sanitary Sewer Inspection	\$ 67,000
Total Funding to commence Bridgeport Area repairs	\$140,000