

Planning Services Department MEMORANDUM

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RE: COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLANS 2016 PROGRESS REPORT

DATE: MARCH 20, 2017

Please find attached the 2016 Progress Report on activities in the Downtown, Allandale, and Georgian College Neighbourhood Community Improvement Plans (CIPs).

The Progress Report provides an annual update of projects which received funds from the Financial Incentive Programs offered by the City through these three Community Improvement Plans and projects approved under the 2016 budget.

Approximately \$420,000 was available in the 2016 CIP Budget. The Director of Planning and Building Services approved nine projects affecting six properties; totaling approximately \$165,700 for four façade and sign loans, four adaptive re-use/upgrade to building code loans, one SLED grant for safe energy efficient exterior lighting, and grants for 25% of building permit fees associated with some of these applications. As of February 2017, payments were made for previously approved projects totaling approximately \$145,400. The balance of the 2016 budget has been assigned to grants for affordable housing projects in 2017 under the new Built Boundary CIP.

There were no new significant grants applications over \$100,000 considered by Council in 2016, however staff anticipate reporting to Council on two applications, for building permit fees, planning application fees, and tax increment based grants requiring Council approval, over the course of 2017 and 2018.

The Corporation of the City of Barrie has invested approximately \$3.29 million over the last 11 years, with a corresponding assessment increase of more than \$16.7 million.

The Built Boundary CIP (BB CIP), which was approved in 2016, collapses and expands upon the Downtown and Allandale CIPs; which are now in effect insofar as previously approved applications and applications received prior to April 30, 2016 are considered. The next annual CIP Progress Report will apply to year one of the BB CIP, the Georgian College CIP, and applications carried over from the Downtown and Allandale CIPs.

The attached Progress Report will be posted on the City of Barrie website.