
TO: GENERAL COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: INVESTING IN CANADA INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (ICIP)
TRANSFER PAYMENT AGREEMENT

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RECOMMENDED MOTION

1. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Transfer Payment Agreement (TPA) with the Province of Ontario as represented by the Ministry of Transportation related to the public transit stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP).

PURPOSE & BACKGROUND

2. The purpose of this report is to execute the Transfer Payment Agreement (TPA) with the Province of Ontario and provide additional context and information for members of Council. The TPA agreement was received on March 1st, 2021.
3. On Tuesday April 2nd, 2019, the governments of Canada and Ontario released details regarding the public transit funding stream of the larger Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP). The purpose of the public transit funding is to build new urban transit networks and service extensions that will transform the way that Canadians live, move and work. This stream funds capital costs to construct, expand, and improve public transit networks.
4. The ICIP program has replaced the previous version of transit funding known as the Public Transit Infrastructure Fund (PTIF) and is governed by the Integrated Bilateral Agreement for Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program between the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario that was signed on March 26, 2018 (the "Bilateral Agreement").
5. The City of Barrie has been allocated funding from the provincial government in the amount of \$19,513,005 and federal government in the amount of \$23,417,948 and with a municipal contribution of \$15,613,917 to invest towards total capital project costs of \$58,544,870. All capital projects are to be substantially complete by October 31, 2027.
6. As funding was allocated to municipalities based on ridership (using 2015 data), it is important to note that continuing to grow ridership will increase the City of Barrie's opportunity to leverage a greater amount of future funding allocations from upper-level governments. Details of the funding from the various levels of government is listed in **Table 1**.

	Federal Allocation	Provincial Allocation	Estimated Municipal Cost-Match	Total
Contribution Percentage (%)	40.00	33.33	26.67	100.00
Total Dollar Amount Available (\$)	23,417,948	19,513,005	15,613,917	58,544,870

Table 1: Barrie's ICIP Total Funding Amount

ANALYSIS

7. Staff have recently received the ICIP Transfer Payment Agreement and require a supporting by-law for the agreement to be executed.
8. The ICIP Program capital project funding requests are coordinated with funding intakes. The first intake closed on May 28th, 2019. Barrie submitted, and subsequently received approval, for five transit capital projects summarized in **Table 2**. The timelines of future intakes, and additional transit project funding requests, are unknown at this time.

Project	Description	Project Timelines	Project Total Cost
Allandale Mobility Hub	The existing Allandale Bus Hub will be expanded with this project to include 13 platforms and a two-storey terminal building. The terminal building will include a passenger waiting area, ticketing window, small retail space, and driver break room.	Q2 2020 - Q4 2022	\$9,900,450
Downtown Connection Hub	The construction of a downtown connection hub will function as the primary downtown bus stop for the city. The project scope includes the construction of two lay-by lane bus stops which will accommodate six buses and one heated transit shelter.	Q2 2020 - Q4 2022	\$326,700
On-Street Infrastructure Improvements	The scope of the project consists of installing street-based bus stop infrastructure such as next bus displays, heated shelters, bike racks, new bus stop signs, bus stop shelters, and concrete bus pads	Q1 2022 – Q1 2027	\$2,736,462
Conventional Fleet Replacement	The project consists of the purchase of 30 low-floor 40-foot conventional buses, which will replace the retiring fleet.	Q1 2020 – Q1 2027	\$23,389,023
Barrie Specialized Fleet Replacement	The project consists of the purchase of 21 specialized city buses, which will replace the retiring fleet.	Q1 2020 – Q1 2027	\$4,674,600
Intake #1 Total:			\$41,027,235

Table 2: Approved ICIP Projects (Intake #1)

ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACT MATTERS

9. There are no environmental and climate change impact matters related to the recommendations.

ALTERNATIVES

10. There is an alternative available for consideration by General Committee:

Alternative #1

General Committee could choose not to authorize the execution of the Transfer Payment Agreement.

This alternative is not recommended given Barrie's objective of responsible spending and acquiring funding from various levels of government.

FINANCIAL

11. The parameters associated with the ICIP funding indicate that all funds are to be substantially completed and expensed by October 31, 2027. A summary of the ICIP funding allocations by project is provided in **Table 3** below.
12. Please note for the Allandale Mobility Hub and Downtown Connection Hub Projects, the budget may be refined further as staff work through the IPD validation period with the successful proponent. If there is any further variation in the budget or funding implications, staff will assess and report back to council, if required.

Project	Funding Year	Project Cost	Contribution Summary		
			Federal	Provincial	Municipal
Allandale Mobility Hub	2020-2023	\$9,900,450.00	\$3,960,180.00	\$3,299,819.98	\$2,640,450.02
Downtown Connection Hub	2020-2023	\$326,700.00	\$130,680.00	\$108,889.11	\$87,130.89
On-Street Infrastructure Improvements	2020-2027	\$2,736,462.28	\$1,094,584.91	\$912,062.88	\$729,814.49
Conventional Fleet Replacement	2020-2027	\$23,389,022.72	\$9,355,609.09	\$7,795,561.27	\$6,237,852.36
Barrie Specialized Fleet Replacement	2020-2027	\$4,674,600.16	\$1,869,840.06	\$1,558,044.23	\$1,246,715.87
Intake #1 Sub-Total	-	\$41,027,235.16	\$16,410,894.06	\$13,674,377.47	\$10,941,963.63
Remaining ICIP Funds for Future Projects	-	\$17,517,634.84	\$7,007,053.94	\$5,838,627.53	\$4,671,953.37
ICIP Total Funds	-	\$58,544,870	\$23,417,948	\$19,513,005	\$15,613,917

Table 3: ICIP Funding Summary

13. Based on the projects approved within the first intake, where the municipal contribution is \$10,941,963.63, the detailed breakdown of the funding source is projected to be \$10,407,339.33 from Tax Capital Reserve and \$534,624.30 from Development Charges.



LINKAGE TO 2018-2022 STRATEGIC PLAN

14. The recommendation(s) included in this Staff Report support the following goals identified in the 2018-2022 Strategic Plan:

☒ Improving the Ability to Get Around Barrie