



## AMHERST TOWN COUNCIL

RFD# 2019063

Date: June 24, 2019

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**TO:** Mayor Kogon and Members of Council

**SUBMITTED BY:** Jason MacDonald, Deputy CAO

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**SUBJECT:** Recapping of Asphalt Driving Surface on West Victoria Street

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**ORIGIN:** Review of 2018/19 Asphalt Patching Program

**LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY:** MGA Section 65; Procurement Policy.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That Council approve the amendment to the 2019/20 Capital Budget for the recapping of a 610 meter long section of West Victoria Street in the amount of \$85,000 plus HST to be funded by Gas Tax Revenues.

**BACKGROUND:** Last year, Dexter Construction installed patches at various locations on West Victoria Street. These patches were intended to repair horizontal cracks in the asphalt surface. Due to the fact that some of these cracks were in close proximity to each other the unintended effect is that the road seems to have multiple, small speed bumps in both driving lanes.

**DISCUSSION:** Staff met with representatives of Dexter Construction on site earlier this year. Dexter acknowledges that in retrospect they should have contacted the Town prior to carrying out this work in order to discuss alternative solutions. For this reason, they have provided discount pricing to recap the driving lanes of the street with 1.5" of asphalt from approximately Liberty Lane to James Street. This will smooth out the driving surface and add approximately 10 years to the life of the street.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:** \$85,000 to be added to the 2019/20 Capital Budget to be funded by Gas Tax revenue.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:** Prior to construction work taking place a public notification program will be undertaken.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:** Recapping of this portion of West Victoria Street will generate greenhouse gas emissions, however there is little alternative to this solution.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE IMPLICATIONS:** There are no social justice implications to recapping the asphalt driving surface on West Victoria Street.



**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Recap the entire width of the street at a cost of \$85,000 plus HST.
2. Mill and pave the driving lanes at cost of \$120,000 plus HST.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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