

Municipality Of Chatham-Kent
Infrastructure and Engineering
Parks, Recreation and Cemeteries

To: Mayor and Members of Council
From: Jeff Bray
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Date: March 6, 2021
Subject: 2021 Splash Pad Lifecycle Projects

Recommendation

It is recommended that:

1. The 2021 splash pad lifecycle projects valued at \$47,000 be approved and funded through the Splash Pad Lifeamp Reserve.

Background

The Municipality maintains 9 splash pads in the Communities of Bothwell, Chatham, Dresden, Mitchell's Bay, Ridgetown, Tilbury, Thamesville, Wallaceburg and Wheatley.

The Splash Pad Lifeamp Reserve was established with funding from the following areas:

- One-time allotment of utility funds for the Tilbury splash pad not utilized in 2011 in the amount \$15,000
- An annual splash pad lifeamp allotment implemented in 2015 in the amount of \$8,500 and increased to \$28,500 in 2017
- In 2016, a transfer of pool reserves remaining after the closure of Memorial Pool in Chatham in the amount \$55,800
- An allotment of \$8,500 was approved during 2018 budget deliberations for the lifeamp funding of the new Wallaceburg splash pad

This reserve will be used to fund repair and replacement costs of various splash pad components.

Comments

Administration has identified the following as priority projects to be completed in 2021. A contingency has been added for quote overages and emergency repairs or replacements.

The estimates of each individual project have been removed to ensure a competitive bid process.

Location	Project	Comment	Estimated Cost
Tilbury/Wheatley Splash Pads	Sign replacement	Address CK Public Health Unit request to replace existing signage to include new safety verbiage.	
Kingston Park Splash Pad	UV ballast replacement	Regular maintenance	
	UV bulb replacement	Regular maintenance	
	Light pole replacements	Taller poles to reduce vandalism	
Various	Emergency repairs	Contingency for Emergency Repairs or Replacements	
Total			\$47,000

Areas of Strategic Focus and Critical Success Factors

The recommendation in this report supports the following areas of strategic focus:

Economic Prosperity:

Chatham-Kent is an innovative and thriving community with a diversified economy

A Healthy and Safe Community:

Chatham-Kent is a healthy and safe community with sustainable population growth

People and Culture:

Chatham-Kent is recognized as a culturally vibrant, dynamic, and creative community

Environmental Sustainability:

Chatham-Kent is a community that is environmentally sustainable and promotes stewardship of our natural resources

The recommendation in this report supports the following critical success factors:

Financial Sustainability:

The Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent is financially sustainable

Open, Transparent and Effective Governance:

The Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent is open, transparent and effectively governed with efficient and bold, visionary leadership

Has the potential to support all areas of strategic focus & critical success factors

Neutral issues (does not support negatively or positively)

Consultation

Financial Services has verified the current balance in the Splash Pad Lifeamp Reserve for the 2021 year end.

All Facility Supervisors provided input on projects in their respective areas.

Financial Implications

The following is the status of the 2021 Splash Pad Lifeamp Reserve:

2021 Splash Pad Lifeamp Reserve	
2020 Splash Pad Lifeamp Reserve Balance	\$208,590
2021 Estimated Lifeamp Allotment	\$37,000
Total Funding Available for 2021 Projects	\$245,590
2021 Proposed Project Costs ^A	-\$47,000
Balance Remaining in Lifeamp Reserve	\$198,590

Note A: Contingency of \$5,000 for project overages is accounted for in the estimate.

The balance remaining in the Splash Pad Lifeamp Reserve at the end of 2021 will remain in the lifeamp budget for future projects.

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