

City of Richmond

Memorandum

To:

Mayor and Councillors

Date:

Nov. 21, 2002

From:

Steve Ono, P.Eng.

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Director, Engineering

Re:

Follow Up To the Report: Proposed Canada/British Columbia Infrastructure

Grant Program Submissions for November 2002

At the November 20, 2002 Public Works and Transportation Committee meeting, the Committee requested that, with respect to the Proposed Canada/BC Infrastructure Grant Program Submission Report:

- a) An affordable housing project be identified and added to the submission list at a priority ranking of 8, displacing priority items 8 to 12 by one rank lower.
- b) The next three suitable and highest priority projects that align with the "other" category of the Canada/BC Infrastructure Grant Program, and that did not appear on the submission list be identified for consideration relative to the Steveston tram project.

This intent of this memorandum is to respond to these requests.

The City's affordable housing program has been reviewed and the only active project is Elmbridge Way, a multi-family development in the planning stage that has been initiated by the Greater Vancouver Housing Corporation. Financial, partnership, and schedule details have yet to be finalised for this project, however it is intended that the City will commit funds to secure title to a portion of the project for affordable housing. Given that this cost would be directly invoiced to the City and an owned asset would result, the project would fit the Canada/BC Infrastructure Grant criteria. However, there is currently insufficient detail or certainty available for the Elmbridge Way project to facilitate submission to the grant program. Such detail and certainty may be realised in early in 2003, at which time the submission could be made.

The next three suitable and highest priority projects that align with the "other" category of funding and that did not appear on the submission list in the parent report are identified as follows:

Project Type	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Estimated Grant Contribution	Estimated City Contribution
Other	Brighouse Library Renovation	\$3,500,000	\$2,3330,000	\$1,167,000
Other	Britannia Heritage Shipyard	\$612,000	\$408,000	\$204,000
Other	East Richmond Branch Library	\$400,000	\$266,000	\$133,000

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