



**Title:** Municipal Operations Centre Project Update  
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### **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

That the design for Municipal Operations Centre Project be approved and referred to the 2022 Capital Budget deliberations for consideration.

### **REPORT:**

One of the four pillars of the City of Thorold Strategic Plan 2020-2023 is *Responsible Growth and Infrastructure Planning*. The key objective is to build and sustain infrastructure that generates civic pride. The Tier 1 Priority under this initiative is to develop a plan and funding strategy for a new Operations Centre.

City Council has approved funding in the current Capital Budget to complete the engineering design and approvals stage of the project with the intent to proceed to the construction phase supported by an appropriate funding strategy.

The design phase is now complete subject to confirmation of some minor environmental issues that have arisen during the development of the site work. Staff have received a pre-tender cost estimate and a proposed construction schedule from its consulting team and are now prepared to advance the project to the construction stage.

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update of the project status and options for implementation that will meet the objectives of Council's Strategic Plan.

This project involves the upgrading and expansion of the existing operations centre located at 1543 Beaverdams Rd. The existing building, constructed over 60 years ago has had minor upgrades but requires immediate attention to address plumbing, electrical and capacity issues that have been postponed pending the advancement of this project. Additionally, there is a degree of urgency to address salt management practices, staff parking, public accessibility and security issues.

The design includes two additions (one at the entrance foyer and the other at the north end of the building to accommodate the relocation of Parks staff. The additional space

is approximately 6,000 square feet, which will accommodate future staff needs for Operations and Engineering staff. See Appendix "1" for Site Plan and Building Elevations.

The pre-tender cost estimate for the project is attached as Appendix"2". The \$8.366 million estimate includes ancillary costs, architectural and engineering design fees, project management costs, commissioning costs, moving costs and construction contingency allowances. The project estimate also includes a \$1 million allowance to address any potential contaminated soil remediation encountered during the completion of the site works.

#### **BUDGETARY STATUS:**

Funding for this project will be allocated from a number of sources but is currently still under review.

#### **STRATEGIC PLAN:**

Responsible Community Growth and Infrastructure Planning

#### **CANADIAN CONTENT:**

N/A

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Appendix "1" – Site Plan and Elevation Drawings  
Appendix "2" – Pre-tender Cost Estimate

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