



**Budget Committee  
Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall**

**Wednesday, December 5, 2018**

**TO: MEMBERS OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Mayor Tolmie  
Councillor Froese  
Councillor McMann  
Councillor Eby

Councillor Swanson  
Councillor Warren  
Councillor Luhning

Please be advised that His Worship, Mayor Tolmie, has called a Budget Committee meeting on **Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.**, in City Council Chambers 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall, in order to deal with the following:

**AGENDA**

1. **Third Party Group Presentations.**
  - a. Murals of Moose Jaw presentation
  - b. Cultural Centre presentation
  - c. Public Library presentation
  - d. Police Service presentation
  - e. Airport Authority presentation
  
2. **Completion of Departmental Presentations**
  - a. Engineering Services

3. Report dated October 30, 2018 from the Financial Services Department, **re: O.Serv-7 New Hospital Funding.** (Please refer to page 181 of 2019 – 2023 Capital Budget Binder.)
4. Report dated November 28, 2018 from the Financial Services Department, **re: Designating 2019 Gas Tax Projects.**

**Referred Matters:**

5. Report (Communication #78) dated October 15, 2018 from the Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners, **re: Moose Jaw Police Service 2019 Operating Budget and 2019 – 2023 Capital Budget.** (Circulated with the December 3, 2018 Budget Committee agenda.)
6. Report (Communication #77) dated October 1, 2018 from the Moose Jaw Public Library, **re: Moose Jaw Public Library 2019 Operating Budget Estimates.** (Circulated with the December 3, 2018 Budget Committee agenda.)
7. Report dated November 21, 2018 from the Department of Engineering Services, **re: Snow and Winter Maintenance Policy Update.** (Circulated with the December 3, 2018 Budget Committee agenda.)
8. Report (Communication #94) dated November 17, 2018 from the City Manager, **re: 2019 Priority Based Budgets.** (Please bring the budget binders distributed with this communication.)
9. Recreation Facilities and Sportsground Fees. (Circulated with the December 3, 2018 Budget Committee agenda.)

**Tabled Matters:**

10. Report dated November 24, 2018 from the Financial Services Department, **re: Operating, Capital and Equipment Budget Approval Process.** (Circulated with the December 3, 2018 Budget Committee agenda.)

***Next Budget Committee meeting will be held Wednesday, December 12, 2018***



# City of Moose Jaw

## LETTER OF COMMUNICATION

**TITLE:** Designation of 2019 Gas Tax Projects

**TO:** Budget Committee

**FROM:** Department of Financial Services

**DATE:** November 28, 2018

**PUBLIC:** This is a Public Document

**IN-CAMERA:**

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Capital project WW-5 BPWTP Upgrades and WW-9 Feeder Lines be designated as the City of Moose Jaw's 2019 Municipal Gas Tax Funded programs.

### **TOPIC AND PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to request Budget Committee to designate the 2019 Municipal Gas Tax Projects to which the 2019 Gas Tax funding will be applied.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Gas Tax Fund (GTF) was launched in 2005 by the Federal Government in an effort to provide predictable and sustainable funding for municipal infrastructure. It has subsequently been renewed a number of times and the current program runs through 2019. The program is anticipated to run indefinitely and provide a reliable source of infrastructure funding for many years to come.

The City of Moose Jaw has received the following funding under the program to date:

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**City of Moose Jaw**  
**History of Federal Gas Tax Funding**

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Historical Funding:

2005-06	\$	595,387
2006-07	\$	595,387
2007-08	\$	795,564
2008-09	\$	998,631
2009-10	\$	2,014,566
2010-11	\$	1,934,346
2011-12	\$	1,934,346
2012-13	\$	1,883,308
2013-14	\$	1,883,308
2014-15	\$	1,889,963
2015-16	\$	1,889,963
2016-17	\$	1,983,130
2017-18	\$	1,983,130
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	\$	20,381,029

Future Funding:

2018-19	\$	2,082,952
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	\$	22,463,981

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As can be seen from the chart above, the Federal Gas Tax Funding program has provided a significant contribution to Moose Jaw's Infrastructure Renewal efforts over the last 13 years. Moose Jaw initially applied the funding to its Wastewater Utility to fund a portion of the Wastewater Treatment Plant and since 2013, that funding has been transitioned to the Waterworks Utility in order to aide in funding things like the Buffalo Pound Water Treatment Plant Upgrades project and Water Distribution Feeder Line Replacement project.

**DISCUSSION**

In 2018, City Council passed the following motion:

"THAT Capital project WW-5 BPWTP Upgrades and WW-9 Feeder Lines be designated as the City of Moose Jaw's 2018 Municipal Gas Tax Funded programs."

Therefore for 2019, City Administration would recommend that the City continue to designate the Buffalo Pound Water Treatment Plant Upgrades project and Water Distribution Feeder Line Replacement project as the City's Gas Tax Funded projects.

## **OPTIONS TO RECOMMENDATION**

An alternative option to the recommendation would be to designate one of the other Waterworks projects as the designated 2019 Gas Tax project. City Administration would not recommend doing this. However, as these other projects, such as water reservoirs or transmission line, may be eligible for Building Canada funding, generally these type of grant programs do not allow you to piggyback two grants onto one project.

Also, Council should be cognizant that the funding needs to stay within the Waterworks Utility as it has the most fiscal demands of any area of the City.

## **COMMUNICATION PLAN**

Designated Gas Tax projects are required to provide some form of recognition of Gas Tax Funding. This form of recognition is dictated by the funding agencies and the City will comply with any requirements they may have.

## **STRATEGIC PLAN**

Designation of Gas Tax Projects follows the Administrative Strategic theme of enhancing Infrastructure Planning and Management.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The designation of these two projects for funding under the GTF program will allow for \$2,082,952 in Federal Funding to flow to the City of Moose Jaw's Waterworks Utility to aide in funding necessary capital works projects.

## **PRESENTATION**

VERBAL:       X       AUDIO/VISUAL:       NONE:

Respectfully submitted by,

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Director of Financial Services

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**APPROVAL OF REPORT RECEIVED**

**COMMENTS RECEIVED**

Jim Puffalt  
Jim Puffalt, City Manager

Concur.

Fraser Tolmie  
Fraser Tolmie, Mayor

*To be completed by the Clerk's Department only.*

Presented to Regular Council or Executive Committee on \_\_\_\_\_.

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_