Council Member Motion
For the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 20, 2018

To:	Committee of the Whole	**Date:**	September 14, 2018
From:	Mayor Helps		
Subject:	Request for Auditor General for Local Government (AGLG) to Undertake Audit of Johnson Street Bridge Project		

BACKGROUND

Since the procurement and awarding of the contract for the Johnson Street Bridge in 2012 City staff and Council have analyzed the Johnson Street Bridge project. Coming out of this analysis is a new approach to large capital projects. The City has implemented this approach with both the replacement of Fire Hall #1 and the Crystal Pool and Wellness Centre Replacement Project.

Based on lessons learned from the Johnson Street Bridge project, the two key tools that staff and Council have put into place project are a Project Management Framework and an Estimates Policy. Please see detailed documents attached.

With the opening of the public walkway on the south side of the site a few weeks ago, the Johnson Street Bridge project is now complete.* In addition to the work the City has already done in revamping its approach to large capital projects, it is prudent, upon project completion, to request that the Auditor General for Local Government – an independent third party – look at the project with a fresh set of eyes and make any further recommendations to the City. Other local governments will also benefit from this work.

*The north side fendering is the only portion of the project still to be completed.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council request the Auditor General for Local Government to undertake an audit of the Johnson Street Bridge Project.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Helps

List of Attachments

Appendix A: Project Management Policy
Appendix B: Capital Project Cost Estimate Development Policy