

Governance and Priorities Committee Report For the Meeting of January 22, 2015

To:Governance and Priorities CommitteeDate:January 16, 2015From:Jason Johnson, City Manager

Subject: Overview of Compilation of Capital Project Reports/Facilities Assessment Request

Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide a brief overview to Council on the Crystal Pool, Point Ellice Bridge, and Fire Hall # 1 reports being presented at the January 22, 2015 Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting. These reports are intended to update Council on the work to advance planning for the three existing priority infrastructure projects, and an emerging priority in all City facilities assessment.

Over the past year interdepartmental teams at the City have continued work on all three projects to collect additional information for Council consideration on future investment. At the same time, the City has undertaken a comprehensive process to develop a new financial planning process. Within this work it is apparent that the City of Victoria is significantly lacking an overall facilities assessment plan to guide long term capital investments. As a result, these three reports are timed together along with an additional report proposing Council approval to proceed with a facilities assessment of all civic facilities. The anticipated timing of completion of the Facilities Assessment report is October 2015.

These reports are intended to demonstrate the progress to date, seek further direction and provide a complete and current picture of all of the information available on these potential capital projects at this time. Staff recommend Council continue to receive these reports/updates at the same time. Given the potential significant funding requirements, and that these are unallocated projects within the current financial plan, it is prudent for Council to look at the cumulative financial impacts that each of these projects has. Staff anticipate additional updates to Council throughout 2015.

Recommendation:

That Council accept this report for information.

pectfully submitted,

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