

Township of Scugog Staff Report

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Report Number: FIN-2024-025

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Department: Finance

Report To: Council

Date: June 24, 2024

Reference: Strategic Direction 2: Sustainability: Improve sustainability through

financial management, innovative funding and efficient and effective

delivery of services

SD2 Objective 1: Formalize long-term financial planning to enhance

informed decision making

Report Title: 2024 CCBF Funding Agreement between AMO and Township

Recommendations:

- 1. **THAT** Report FIN-2024-025, 2024 CCBF Funding Agreement between AMO and Township, be received;
- 2. **THAT** the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the funding agreement; and
- 3. **THAT** the signed agreement and the by-law authorizing the Township to enter into the agreement be forwarded to AMO for ratification.

1. Background:

The Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF) formerly known as the Federal Gas Tax Fund was first initiated in 2005 and became a permanent annual source of infrastructure funding for Canadian municipalities in 2011. The original funding was established to be utilized for Environmentally Sustainable Municipal Infrastructure (EMSI). In 2014, an amending agreement came into effect, which was in place for 10 years, reducing some of

the restrictions around the use of CCBF with the outcomes more focused on community benefits and not just environmental outputs. This agreement expired at the end of 2023 and this report addresses the proposed new agreement.

2. Discussion:

On June 5, 2024 the Association for Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), along with Canada, Ontario, and the City of Toronto, announced that an agreement on a 10-year renewal of the Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) had been reached. This agreement builds on the success of the Fund in providing predictable funding to be invested in priority infrastructure projects within 18 eligible categories. The Fund will remain largely the same, flowing crucial infrastructure dollars to municipal governments, and supporting the growth and vitality of communities across the province.

Attachment 1 to this report is the Township of Scugog's agreement with AMO that outlines the terms and conditions of the agreement. This Municipal Funding Agreement (MFA), once approved by Council, will provide infrastructure funding for the next ten years.

Attachment 2 to this report is the By-law required to authorize the Township of Scugog to enter into the MFA with AMO.

3. Financial Implications:

Once the agreement is signed, the Township will receive \$678,509 in funding for 2024. Since it was anticipated an agreement would be in place for 2024, this funding has already been included in the 2024 capital budget and is reflected as a source of funding to offset the capital cost of replacing or rehabilitating Township bridges and roads.

Signing this agreement will ensure the Township's eligibility for funds over the next ten years.

4. Communication Considerations:

Canada Community Building Fund annual reporting and a listing of the CCBF funded projects are provided to Council annually. In addition, the public can obtain a copy of any outcomes reported by contacting the Township of Scugog Finance Department.

5. Conclusion:

The Township of Scugog has participated in the CCBF since its inception through the MFA with AMO. Signing the current MFA will allow this partnership to continue for another ten years.

Respectfully Submitted by:	Reviewed By:
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Director of Finance/Treasurer	Chief Administrative Officer

Attachments:

Attachment 1: 2024 CCBF Funding Agreement

Attachment 2: Draft By-law CCBF Administrative Agreement with AMO

Report Approval Details

Document Title:	2024 CCBF Funding Agreement between AMO and Township - FIN-2024-025.docx
Attachments:	- 2024 CCBF Agreement between AMO and Scugog.pdf - Attachment 2 Draft By-Law CCBF Administrative Agreement with AMO.pdf
Final Approval Date:	Jun 17, 2024

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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