

Municipality of Port Hope

Plan Requests

Request

PLN-002 Floodplain Mapping

Department

Version

03 Proposed by Budget

Year

2024

Description

ANNUALIZED TAX LEVY IMPACT [COST / (SAVINGS)]

\$97,000 per year for 4 years

CURRENT BUDGET YEAR'S TAX LEVY IMPACT [COST / (SAVINGS)]

JUSTIFICATION

Through delegation the GRCA provided an update on the current floodplain mapping of the watershed indicated that the information is out of date and antiquated. There is a newly announced federal funding program that would provide 50% of the funds necessary to do the work. They recommended to Council, that over the next four years funds are placed in reserve to allow for competitive applications to the funding program to offset the costs of updating the mapping.

DESCRIPTION

Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) has recently announced (October 2023) an extension to the Flood Hazard Identification and Mapping Program (FHIMP) through March of 2028. Funding application intakes are expected to open periodically between 2024 - 2028. The GRCA has the next four years to leverage the federal dollars to get the mapping updates completed in Northumberland. They are recommending that municipalities consider allocating funds to municipal reserves such that dollars can be leveraged to obtain available federal FHIMP funding (while available) to defray and reduce costs.

Through delegation and discussions with the GRCA it is estimated that Port Hope could require up to \$776,000 to do the work necessary to update our portion of the watershed's flood plain mapping including Gages Creek, Ganaraska River, Wesleyville Creek. If we were to apply for funding through the new program, it is anticipated the municipality would contribute 50% of the costs or \$388,000 over the next four years or \$97,000 annually.

IMPLICATIONS IF NOT UNDERTAKEN

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	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2025	2026
Expenditures							
Operating Expenses							
Contracted Services	291,000	97,000				97,000	97,000
	291,000	97,000				97,000	97,000
Expenditures Total	291,000	97,000				97,000	97,000

Attributes		
Attribute	Value	Comment
Department		
Department		
Division / Sub Division		
Request Type		
Request Driver	New Service or Program	
Request Type	Project	
Priority	Request from Council	
Strategic Priority		
Strategic Priority - ranked #1 required		
Strategic Priority - ranked #2 optional		
Strategic Priority - ranked #3 optional		
Posting Status		
Posting Status	Ready to Post	