STAFF REPORT



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBOURG

Report to:	Mayor and Council Members	Priority:	☐ High ☐ Low
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Report No.:	Community Services-005-21		
Submit comments to Council			

Subject/Title: East Pier Design and Update to Council

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council receive this report for information.

1. STRATEGIC PLAN

The Town of Cobourg Strategic Plan (2019-2022) includes the following Strategic Actions:

Invest in programs, services and infrastructure to make Cobourg more Accessible,

Repair and rejuvenate the East Pier.

2. PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Council awarded the East Pier Design and Engineering to MBTW on June 22, 2020 and staff worked closely with the consultants who started immediately.

A survey and three design concepts were published on the Town of Cobourg's platform Bang the Table. Public engagement took place from September 4, 2020 to October 5, 2020. A review on the survey results and comments from Bang the Table are attached as Appendix "A"

3. PURPOSE

To inform Council and the Public on the Pier Design to date.

4. ORIGIN AND LEGISLATION

At the regular meeting of Cobourg Council on October 21, 2019 the following motion was passed:

WHEREAS at the Committee of the Whole Meeting on October 15, 2019, Council considered a Memo from the Director of Community Services, regarding the Waterfront Plan – Design and Engineering for the East Pier and Campground – Consultation Report;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council instruct staff to procure engineering and other professional services to develop drawings, costs and tender documents for the following:

- 1. East Pier structural repairs to enable a combination of pedestrian and light vehicle use (Option 4);
- 2. Essential East Pier enhancements that include:
 - a. Seating/lookouts;
 - b. Pedestrian walkways;
 - c. Electrical upgrades and pedestrian lighting;
 - d. Accessibility enhancements (from the East Pier to Victoria Beach) (to be costed separately);
 - e. Perimeter railings;
- 3. Optional East Pier enhancements (to be costed separately) that include:
 - a. Charter boat and deep water docking;
 - b. Food concession;
 - c. Pedestrian access to the lighthouse;

AND FURTHER THAT the \$100,000 allocated to East Pier Improvements in the 2019 Capital Budget be used to pay for the engineering and other professional services outlined above, and if any additional funds are required, that the amount be submitted to Council for approval;

AND FURTHER THAT the procured drawings/costings for East Pier repairs and enhancements be presented to Council for approval by September 2020 prior to issuing RFPs/tendering;

AND FURTHER THAT the estimated construction costs of East Pier structural repairs be reflected through the 2020 Budget process.

5. BACKGROUND

Once the firm MBTW started to work on the Pier design it was determined that a complete Heritage Assessment also needed to be completed on the pier.

The firm Branch Architecture of Prince Edward County completed a Heritage Assessment and is attached as Appendix B. The findings of the report support the designation of the Pier as a significant heritage resource under Part IV of the Heritage Act. Should Council wish to pursue this in the future a separate report and Bylaw would be necessary.

6. ANALYSIS

MBTW has completed a power point presentation and will be presenting to Council. MBTW will be updating Council and going over next steps.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/BUDGET IMPACTS

Cost estimates will be provided to council once final designs are performed.

8. CONCLUSION

MBTW will be completing the design and preparing ready to tender drawings for the East Pier. This work will not be tendered until the remaining harbour infrastructure repairs have been prioritized. The successful proponent for the design of the harbour infrastructure repairs will determine the construction phasing for all harbour repairs including the East Pier.

Report Approval Details

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

Tracey Vaughan, Chief Administrative Officer - Jan 12, 2021 - 12:56 PM