



MEETING DATE: MARCH 14, 2025

REQUEST FOR DECISION - TO COUNCIL

SUBJECT

2025 CAPITAL BUDGET AND 2026 TO 2030 CAPITAL PLAN v4

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the County of Vermilion River approve the 2025 Capital Budget and 2026 to 2030 Capital Plan v4 as presented.

DETAILS

Background: Per the Municipal Government Act, section 283(1)(3): requires “each municipality must prepare a written plan respecting its anticipated capital property additions over a period of at least the next 5 (five) financial years.”

Adjustments:

Public Works:

- Updated Equipment replacement schedule with cost and sale of assets amounts.
- Updated estimate for LGFF funding in 2027 to \$3,301,396.00 and 2028 \$3,152,991.00 and \$3,000,000.00 for 2029 onwards
- Reflected change to Building cost and reserve withdraw based on year end figures. Total project cost still budgeted at \$5,000,000.00.

10 DECEMBER 2024

Public Works:

- Addition of Oil Roads to Capital Budget.
- Adjusted Rehab, Cobble and Oil Roads for Cost-of-Living Allowance.



18 NOVEMBER 2024

Discussion:

Agriculture:

- Purchase of Drone in 2025.

Public Works:

- Oiled Roads Projects to be determined
- STIP application to be reviewed.

28 OCTOBER 2024

Highlights:

General Assumption for 2025 Budget and 2026 to 2030 Plan:

- Increase in 2025 due to implementing Road Construction of \$1,000,000.00.
- Increase in 2027 due to extra \$500,000.00 for Road Construction

Corporate Services:

- Server refresh and purchase of new Main Photocopier will not take place in 2024, hence moved to 2025.

Agriculture:

- Increase contribution to Facility reserve by \$30,000.00 in 2025 onwards.

Public Works:

- Contribution to Paved Road reserve set at five per cent increase annually, except for 2028 and 2029. Reserves will be depleted by 2028 and 2029, hence funding will be from general taxation.
- Did not increase reserve contribution to Roads and Bridges as per the capital projects presented at Strategic Planning Meeting.
- Recommend reallocation excess fund in the Mill Rate Stabilization Reserve to Road Reserve to cover the short fall currently at \$379,949.59.
- Completion of the renovation of the Administration Building. Funding from Reserve and LGFF Capital Grant.



- Extension to the Fire Halls in Blackfoot in 2026 for \$275,000.00 and Islay in 2027 for \$300,000.00. Funding from Reserve.
- Vermilion Grader shed in 2026 for \$185,658.00, Streamstown Grader Shed in 2028 for \$517,734.00 and Islay Grader Shed in 2030 for \$119,405.00. Funding from Reserve.
- Contribution to Hamlet reserve only. Capital plans will be formulated once all hamlet assessments are complete, and a plan brought forward to Council.
- NOT in the Budget is the cost to do Oiled Roads Project of 1 mile = \$160,000.00 cost. Part of the wages are included in the Cobble crew.
- Moved the Blackfoot Lagoon project to 2025 as direction to which system has not yet been decided. Funds generated in 2024 will go to reserve and taken from reserve in 2025 to cover estimate cost.
- Upgrade to Dewberry Bulk Fill to be done in 2026 for \$107,000.00, Community Water Well in 2028 for \$141,000.00, Water Meter in Blackfoot in 2029 and 2030 for \$48,300.00 and \$16,100.00, Water Meter in Islay in 2030 for \$34,400.00 and Lagoon Maintenance in 2030 for \$116,000.00.

Relevant Policy/Legislation Practices: As per MGA section 245,246 and 283

Desired Outcome (s): THAT the County of Vermilion River approve the 2025 Capital Budget and 2026 to 2030 Capital Plan v4 as presented.

Response Options: THAT the County of Vermilion River approve the 2025 Capital Budget and 2026 to 2030 Capital Plan v4 as presented.

IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION

Organizational: Capital direction to Administration

Financial: Capital Budget for 2025

Communication Required: Publish the Budget on the County's website

Implementation: Capital Budget for 2025.



ATTACHMENTS

2025 Capital Budget and 2026 to 2030 Capital Plan v4

Corporate Services Capital Plan v4

Protective Services Capital Plan – Fire v4

Protective Services Capital Plan – Enforcement v4

Agriculture Capital Plan v4

Public Works Capital Plan – Equipment v4

Public Works Capital Plan – Paved Roads v4

Public Works Capital Plan – Bridges v4

Public Works Capital Plan – Facility v4

Public Works Capital Plan – Water and Sewer v4

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