



TOWN OF MINTO

MEETING DATE: October 15, 2024
REPORT TO: Mayor and Council
SERVICE AREA: Public Works
SUBJECT: PW 2024-022 – Housing-Enabling Core Servicing Fund Application

RECOMMENDATIONS:

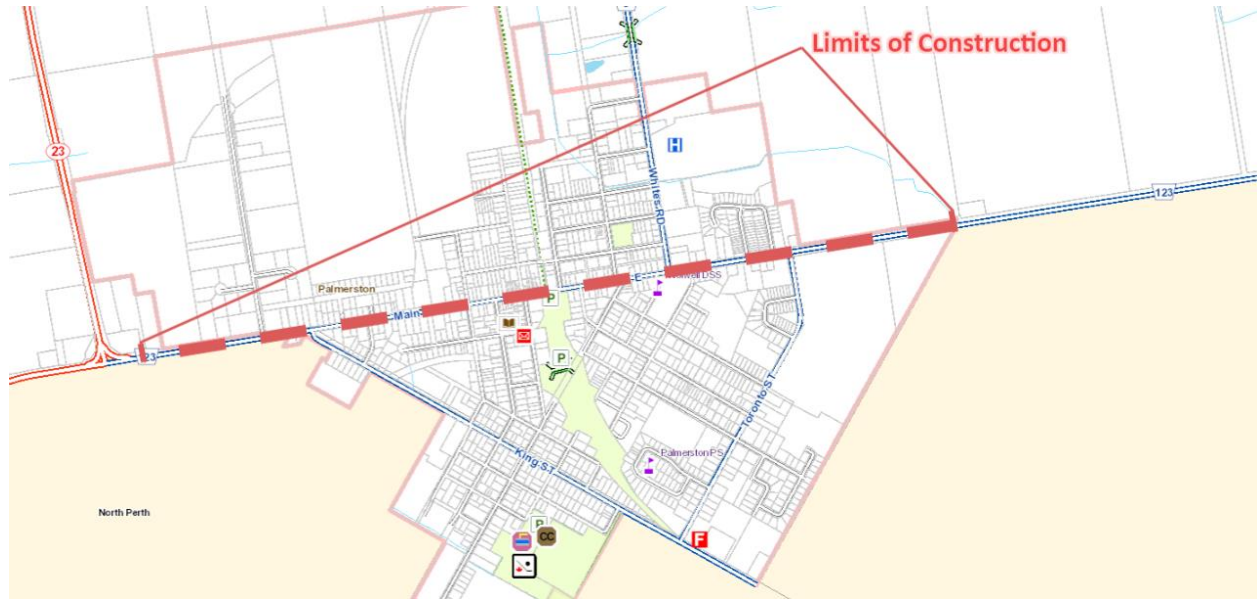
THAT the Council of the Town of Minto hereby receives report PW 2024-022 Housing-Enabling Core Servicing Fund, prepared by the Roads and Drainage Manager, for information purposes;

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Town of Minto approves and endorses the submission of a joint grant funding application with the County of Wellington for the Reconstruction of Wellington Rd 123 (Main St, Palmerston) project under the Housing-Enabling Core Servicing Fund (HECS)

BACKGROUND:

During the recent AMO conference held in Ottawa, the Province of Ontario announced various funding streams available for application submissions with deadlines in October and November. The primary emphasis of these streams is directly related to infrastructure to promote growth of new housing. The Housing-Enabling Core Servicing (HECS) fund will invest in the development, repair, rehabilitation and expansion of municipal roads and bridges to promote growth and enable housing for growing and developing communities.

This report seeks Council endorsement to submit a joint application with the County of Wellington to the Housing-Enabling Core Servicing (HECS) fund for the reconstruction of Wellington Road 123 (Main St), Palmerston, within the town limits.



COMMENTS:

County and Minto staff have considered various project options for the funding streams available with both parties agreeing that the reconstruction of Wellington Road 123 (Main St) is the most eligible for the application, meeting the criteria and the deadlines provided by the Province. Joint projects between multiple eligible applicants are encouraged. As part of the application assessment, additional consideration will be given to joint projects that optimize housing enabling outcomes.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

This funding streams includes a minimum of 50% of eligible expenditures covered by municipalities, matched by a maximum 50% by the province.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Goal #5: Responsible Government:

5.3 (i): Lobby upper levels of government for sustainable funding for infrastructure, housing, and social services.

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