



Municipal Stimulus Program (MSP)

Edmonton

Proposed Funding Allocations

City Council
September 23, 2020

Background

Overview



The Province is providing municipalities with \$500 million in funding to build shovel-ready capital projects starting in 2020.

- Intention is to provide economic stimulus during the pandemic (Alberta's Recovery Plan)



Primary Objectives:

- Sustain & Create Local Jobs
- Enhance Provincial Competitiveness & Productivity
- Support Future Economic Growth
- Reduce Municipal Red-Tape (to promote job-creating private sector investment)



The City of Edmonton has been allocated \$115.6 million.

Program Requirements

Overview



Project Criteria

- Only projects that would not go ahead without MSP funds
 - Projects cut from capital budget
 - New capital projects
- Projects must not result in a property tax increase
 - Operating impacts of capital
 - Operating contributions (Pay-as-you-go)
- Types of eligible projects similar to MSI



Construction

- Construction of eligible projects must begin in 2020/21



Funding

- Must spend all MSP funds by December 31, 2021



Logistics

- Limited to 5 applications (similar bundles of work)
- October 1, 2020 - Project application submission

Strategy

Overview



Must describe why projects would not advance without this funding.

1. New capital projects not previously considered in capital budget but on the shovel-ready list.

2. Capital projects considered for reduction in response to financial challenges.

Strategy - MSP to Fund New Projects

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New capital projects not previously considered in capital budget.

Rationale:

Projects from shovel ready list sent from Mayor to Premier:

- Previously communicated as projects that were shovel ready and would have the most job impact
- Most closely aligned with program objectives (economic impact)

Recommended Projects:

- Industrial/ rural roads - \$43.3 M
- Affordable housing - \$15.8 M
- Open spaces - \$6.0 M

Total Estimated MSP Allocation: \$65.1 M

Strategy - MSP to Fund Budget Cuts

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Capital projects cut from current capital budget due to financial conditions.

Rationale:

Advance recommendations from capital budget prioritization/reduction exercise (in process) in order to leverage MSP funds before October 1 application deadline:

- Projects eligible for MSP
- Projects funded through Pay-as-you-go and/or MSI
- Work was scheduled to be completed by December 31, 2021

Recommended Projects:

- Industrial Neighborhood Rehabilitation Overlay - \$17.0 M
- Transp., Goods Movement - Arterial Renewal - \$33.5 M

Total Estimated MSP Allocation: \$50.5 M



Questions?