

THE FIFTIETH MEETING OF THE PRIORITIES (SPECIAL) COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY

**Council Chamber
Tom Davies Square**

**Wednesday, June 28, 2006
Commencement: 3:51 p.m.**

Chair

COUNCILLOR CALDARELLI, IN THE CHAIR

Present

Councillors Berthiaume; Bradley; Callaghan; Dupuis; Gainer; Kett (A3:55pm; D4:10pm); Rivest (A4:00pm); Mayor Courtemanche

City Officials

M. Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer; D. Nadorozny, General Manager of Growth & Development; A. Stephen, General Manager of Infrastructure & Emergency Services; C. Hallsworth, Executive Director of Administrative Services; L. Hayes, CFO/Treasurer; G. Clausen, City Engineer; G. Lamothe, Manager of Communications & French Language Service; B. Falcioni, Director of Roads & Transportation; C. Wood, Manager of Operations; C. Mahaffy, Manager of Financial Planning & Policy; D. Dumontelle, Budget Accountant; N. Mihelchic, Operations Engineer; M. Leduc, Deputy Fire Chief; A. Haché, City Clerk; J. Nelson, Clerk's Services Coordinator; CJ Caporale, Council Secretary

News Media

Sudbury Star; Channel 10 News; Le Voyageur; Northern Life; CBC Radio-Canada

Declarations of
Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

PART I

POLICY DISCUSSION PAPERS - DECISION REQUESTED

Item 2
Winter Operations

Report dated 2006-06-23 from the General Manager of Infrastructure & Emergency Services regarding Winter Operations Implementation Update 2007 was received.

The General Manager of Infrastructure & Emergency Services provided an electronic presentation which outlined the background, a review of the City of Greater Sudbury minimum maintenance standards, a review of deployment options that were requested at the June 21, 2006 meeting of Priorities, estimated costing for deployment options, a response to Council's questions, and direction on the options.

Item 2
Winter Operations
(continued)

He highlighted the winter roads maintenance and sidewalk winter maintenance options. Refer to attached.

The following recommendation was presented:

RECOMMENDATION 2006-130: Moved by Councillor Dupuis:

THAT Council continues to support the City of Greater Sudbury Minimum Winter Maintenance Standard approved in November, 2005;

AND THAT staff proceed with implementing and executing **Option 1** for Winter Roads Maintenance;

AND THAT staff proceed with implementing and executing **Option A** for Sidewalks Winter Maintenance;

AND THAT Council authorize staff to proceed with the tendering and award of winter maintenance contracts and include in the 2007 Budget, as outlined in the report dated June 16, 2006 and June 23, 2006 from the General Manager of Infrastructure & Emergency Services.

CARRIED

COUNCILLOR BRIEFING SESSIONS

Item 3
COMRIF 3 Intake

The General Manager of Infrastructure & Emergency Services provided an electronic presentation to the Committee regarding September 2006 COMRIF III for information only.

Mr. Stephen advised that COMRIF III continues to address community infrastructure priorities and the projects must be supportive of federal and provincial policy directions. The criteria must include health and safety, public policy priorities, and value for money. The application must be submitted by September 13, 2006.

He provided changes to the COMRIF applications such as bundle restrictions, funding availability, and unlike bundled projects.

Three options were also provided: possible road programs (Maley Drive Extension, LU Extension, Notre Dame 6-Laning, Culvert Replacement Program), water/wastewater options (Levack/onaping Water Supply System, Valley East Water Supply System, Ramsey Lake South Side Connection, Sudbury and Lively Wastewater Treatment Plant), and waste diversion initiatives (Kitchen Organics, Bio-Gas Plant).

Item 3
COMRIF 3 Intake
(continued)

Mr. Stephen also recommended that a Committee of Council be appointed to review the options and report back to Council for the July 12, 2006 Council meeting in order to give staff seven weeks to develop a quality submission. Councillors Berthiaume, Caldarelli, and Rivest were appointed.

Adjournment

RECOMMENDATION 2006-131: Moved by Councillor Dupuis:

THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 4:40 p.m.

CARRIED

Councillor Caldarelli, Chair

Angie Haché, City Clerk

WINTER ROADS MAINTENANCE OPTIONS

Options Comparison			
	Option #1 End of Winter 2005/2006	Option #2 Enhanced Class 1 - 3	Option #3 Blended Option
Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> legislative changes to hours of work (December 2004) were implemented. 24 hour service, Monday to Friday, to arterial and collector roads (Class 1 - 3). potholes and snow removal accomplished with same crews between events. add 9 additional units. 13 hour service on rural and residential; overtime after 8 hours. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> legislative changes to hours of work (December 2004) were implemented. 24 hour service, Monday to Friday, to arterial and collector roads (Class 1 - 3). potholes and snow removal accomplished with same crews between events. add 14 additional units. 2 hour service time on Class 1 road (> 70 km/hr). 3 hour service time on Class 1 - 3 roads (≤ 70 km/hr). 8 hour service time on Class 4 - 6 roads, preferably from midnight to 8:00 a.m., where possible. 8 to 13 hour sanding on Class 4 - 6 roads. extend rural and residential service levels by providing plow coverage 24 hours per day, 7 days per week when req'd 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> legislative changes to hours of work (December 2004) were implemented. 24 hour service, Monday to Friday, to arterial and collector roads (Class 1- 3) potholes and snow removal accomplished with same crews between events. 3 hour service time on Class 1 - 3 roads 8 hour service time on Class 4 - 6 roads, preferably from midnight to 8:00 a.m., where possible. 8 to 13 hour sanding on Class 4 - 6 roads after completion of plowing extend rural and residential service levels by providing plow coverage 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, when req'd
Class 1-3 Sanding/Salting/Plowing	\$4,300,000	\$5,300,000	\$4,300,000
Class 4-6 Sanding/Salting/Plowing	\$2,300,000	\$3,700,000	\$3,700,000
Winter Ditching/ Spring Cleanup	\$900,000	\$900,000	\$900,000
Snow Removal	\$850,000	\$850,000	\$850,000
Winter Miscellaneous	\$900,000	\$900,000	\$900,000
Supervision	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000
Training	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$350,000
Materials - Salt/Sand	\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000
Estimated Cost	\$12,100,000	\$14,500,000	\$13,500,000
2006 Budget	\$10,400,000	\$10,400,000	\$10,400,000
Estimated Increase	\$1,700,000	\$4,100,000	\$3,100,000

SIDEWALK WINTER MAINTENANCE OPTIONS

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	Option A	Option B	Option C ⁽¹⁾
Design	Sidewalks currently receiving winter maintenance will continue to be maintained at existing service levels (up to 24 hours under normal conditions).	Sidewalks currently receiving winter maintenance will receive enhanced service levels to complete plowing within 8 hours and snow blowing within 12 hours, under normal conditions.	Option B plus expand service to include winter maintenance on existing sidewalks on one side of all residential streets and two sides of arterial streets.
Routes	19	25	32
Estimated Cost	\$0.9 Million	\$1.2 Million	\$1.5 Million

⁽¹⁾ Option C meets recommended sidewalk standards.