

## Request for Decision

<b>Title</b>	<b>FCM Grant Application</b>
<b>Proposed Motion</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That Council direct Administration to apply for a grant opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' - Asset Management Program for Road Asset Condition Assessment and Recommendations.</li> <li>2. That Council direct Administration to engage the services of a third party to complete a condition assessment and a road condition analysis on a subclass of road assets funded by the Transportation Operating Budget.</li> </ol>
<b>Administrative Recommendation</b>	Administration recommends that County Council authorize Administration to apply for the Asset Management grant through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM).
<b>Previous Council Direction</b>	None.
<b>Report</b>	<p><u>Background Information</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During the CNAM (Canadian Network of Asset Managers) Conference, it was brought forward that there was a grant opportunity that FCM would be administering, to help municipalities progress with their Asset Management Program.</li> <li>• As part of the grant application, a readiness scale was required as a means for organizations to understand where they are in their asset management journey, and also a standardized approach for FCM to understand where applicants are.</li> <li>• In reviewing the readiness scale and grant application, it is important to understand that municipalities should strive towards being in the third or fourth scale of the readiness scale to say they have a successful asset management program.</li> <li>• The intent of the grant is to move the municipality up one grade, in one competency.</li> <li>• Administration completed SRIS (Sustainable Roads Improvements Strategy) in 2017. Having a third party conduct a road condition analysis on sub-class of roads would allow for Administration to prioritize maintenance treatments in conjunction with capital priorities.</li> </ul> <p><u>External Communication</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None.</li> </ul>

Relevant Policy/Legislation/Practices:

- FCM Municipal Asset Management Application Guide.

**Implication of Administrative Recommendation**

Strategic Alignment:

**Planned Growth and Prosperity - Goal 2.3.2:**

Provide a level of infrastructure that is affordable, safe, and sustainable as set by long-range financial plans.

**Initiative 1.2.B** – Phase 2 (2018) – Planning for Implementation of Infrastructure Asset Management

Organizational:

Continuing to develop Sturgeon County’s asset management journey will help ensure that we have adequately planned our infrastructure for the future. The means setting levels of service standards for our assets, maintenance strategies to ensure a sustainable useful life of our assets and replacement of said assets.

Financial:

The FCM Asset Management Grant requires that municipalities fund the lesser of \$50,000 and 80% of eligible project costs. There are **NO** funding extensions allowed, and all project expenditures must be incurred within an 11-month time period. Sturgeon County will fund our portion from within our current operating budget.

FCM Grant Portion	Sturgeon County Portion	TOTAL PROJECT COST
\$50,000	\$15,000	\$65,000

**Alternatives Considered**

Choose not to apply for the grant, and take a slower approach to Asset Management, and fund the Asset Management Project internally.

**Implications of Alternatives**

Strategic Alignment:

Inconsistent with:

- Goal 2.3.2: Provide a level of infrastructure that is affordable, safe, and sustainable as set by long-range financial plans.

Organizational:

- The delay or deferral of this project would have an impact on slowing up our asset management journey and having to fund this project internally.

Financial:

- Funding this project internally would either require delay of other projects or having to deplete our operating reserve(s).

**Follow up Action**

1. Finance will work with Transportation to apply for the FCM Asset Management Grant (Finance August 2017).

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<b>Attachment(s)</b>	1. FCM Asset Management Application Guide 2. FCM Asset Management Readiness Scale
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<b>Report Reviewed by:</b>	
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## Strategic Alignment Checklist

**Vision:** Sturgeon County: a diverse, active community that pioneers opportunities and promotes initiative while embracing rural lifestyles.

**Mission:** Provide quality, cost effective services and infrastructure to meet the diverse needs of the Sturgeon County community, while improving competitiveness and sustainability.

Focus Areas	Not consistent	N/A	Consistent
<b>Strong Local Governance and Regional Leadership</b>			
<i>We promote consistent and accountable leadership through collaborative and transparent processes (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Consistent with neighborhood role (see MDP), master plans, policies</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Considers fiscal stability and sustainability</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Has a positive impact on regional and sub-regional cooperation</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Respect the Natural Environment</b>			
<i>We acknowledge the importance of a healthy environment and will minimize and monitor our impact on ecosystems (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Compliance with Provincial and Federal regulations and/or legislation</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Ensure effective environmental risk management</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Community Identity &amp; Spirit</b>			
<i>We will build upon our strengths, where together we will create an inclusive, caring community (Strategic Plan, (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Promotes and/or enhances residents' identification with Sturgeon County</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Enhances service provision through community partnerships</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Supports Sturgeon County's cultural history</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Planned Growth and Prosperity</b>			
<i>We encourage varied and integrated enterprises that enhance our strong economic base, while balancing the needs of the community and natural environment. (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Does the proposal align with the Integrated Regional Growth Strategy (map/policies) pg. 26 MDP</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Considers cumulative costs and long-term funding implications</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Targets growth around current or planned infrastructure</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Maintain and Enhance Strong Communities</b>			
<i>We are committed to a safe, secure community, where our residents are respected and provided with access to opportunities. (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Positive impact on residents' quality of life</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Supports and promotes volunteer efforts</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Provides programs and services that are accessible to all residents</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Operational Excellence</b>			
<i>We have the organizational capability to deliver consistent and defined levels of service to all stakeholders in a professional, efficient, and cost effective manner</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Staff have the knowledge, skills and capability to perform their jobs</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Streamlines operational processes and policies</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Promotes engagement and professional interaction with stakeholders</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Considers a cost-structure which allows Sturgeon County to remain competitive within a regional, national and global context</i></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>