



GRAND VALLEY

STAFF REPORT

To: Mayor and Members of Council
From: Meghan Townsend, CAO/Clerk
Meeting Date: February 11, 2025
Report Number: 2025-017
Subject: CAO Progress Update

Recommendation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives the Report- CAO Progress Update for information purposes.

Executive Summary

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to give Council an update on ongoing projects, outstanding directives, and other items of which Council should be made aware.

Key Findings

Many projects underway, and updates on each are provided.

Financial Implications

None.

Report
Discussion

Task	Start/Resolution Number	Estimated Completion	Discussion/Update
Rogers Fibre to the Home project		Year End 2025	<p>What's done:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civil Construction is 97% Complete (117,714m) • Fiber Splicing is 41% Complete (196 homes) <p>What's going on right now:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hydro One make ready work for two aerial cable placement permits (putting fibre on Hydro One poles) • Three aerial Hydro One permits in process • Jetting fiber through new conduit <p>What's outstanding to complete:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five aerial construction projects • Jetting & Splicing Fiber (64,501m main line to jet; 169 homes to jet, 227 homes to splice) <p>Project completion expected by end of August.</p>
Trailway Agreement with Amaranth		Q1 2025	Proposal to be presented to Amaranth regarding the trailway within their Township. Did not get to discuss this fully with Amaranth CAO in 2024.
23 Mill Street Site Remediation	2023-05-06 2024-10-13 2025-01-36		<p>Report from Burnside Hydrogeology consultants was presented at January 28 meeting. Staff proceeding as directed.</p> <p>Contacted consultant who was assisting the Town to advise of the change of plans and to request his information/files on the site.</p>

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			Documentation has not yet been received.
Automated Speed Enforcement		ongoing	Work in progress for activation early February.
Sale of Gravel Pit lands in Southgate Township	2023-08-06	Spring 2025	Appraisal presented in closed session. Sale to progress under Council direction.
Gateway Signage	2024-06-35	Ongoing	4 signs have been delivered. Due to weather conditions, signs will be installed in spring. Will include additional signage ideas in 2025 budget.
Various Engineering Projects		various	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landfill monitoring reduction – Province has been in contact with engineers regarding requirements. Decision pending. • Scott Street Development – Negotiations for next steps of the project continue between the developers. • Ritchie swale project – cost agreement signed. Deposit transferred. Construction agreement pending.
Water Taking program		Q2 2025	Council requested a report on water taking from the municipal water system by private entities, along with pricing recommendations if water taking is feasible.
Land in Amaranth Township	2022-04-06	YE 2025	Options to be presented with 2025 budget.
Various Grant Opportunities	2024-09-24 2024-09-25 2024-09-26 2024-09-27 2024-09-28	Various	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ application for arena roof submitted. No response yet. ○ Application for Concession 2-3 park underway.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core Infrastructure Enabling Fund –Application for the Scott Street project was not accepted. • Water System Fund – application for the new water tower was not accepted. • NEW PROGRAM – Health and Safety Water Stream – funding for water infrastructure projects for public health and safety. Application window opens February 12, 2025. More details to follow.
Building Department Agreement with County		Q1 2025	In progress. CAO has not had opportunity to address this issue due to other priorities.
Canine Control Contract	2024-05-35	Q2 2025	RFP for canine control in 2025 work plan.
Use of Town lands to access rear yards of private property	2024-07-08	Q1 2025	Pilot project with private access through Town lands has been completed and deposit returned. Will work with Burnside's to create policy and process for future requests.
Sponsorship/ Naming Rights program			Staff to connect with consultant to provide update on progress, and request delegation to Council on next steps.
Traffic Violation Reimbursement Policy		Q1 2025	Draft policy and indemnification by-law has been sent to legal and insurance for review.
Medical Dental Centre – transfer from Board		In progress	Report on this agenda.

Other

None.

Financial Impact

None

Consultations

None.

Attachments

There are no attachments.

This report was approved by

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