

REPORT

To: Chair and Directors

Report Number: ENV-BRD-032

From: Rural Budgets Administration Committee

Date: February 17, 2021

Subject: Function 604 Friesen Subdivision Sewer 2021 Draft Budget

The following recommendation from the January 21, 2021 Rural Budgets Administration Committee meeting is being presented to the Regional Board for its consideration:

RECOMMENDATION: [Corporate Weighted]

That the Regional Board include the draft 2021 budget for Function 604 – Friesen Subdivision Sewer in the 2021 Financial Plan.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

The 2021 Budget Process and 2021 Budget Calendar were approved at the November 12, 2020 Board meeting. The 2021 budget is based on core expenses and presents any proposed non-core expenses as supplemental items, as required.

The 2021 draft budget is currently at \$65,773. This is an increase of \$48,210 or 274.49% from 2020. As per the Rural Budgets Administration Committee meeting on December 17, 2020, a \$50,000 Area D - Gas Tax allocation was approved to fund the 2021 condition assessment for this function.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

1. That the Regional Board provide further direction.

STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:

- Organizational Effectiveness
 - Develop a Corporate Asset Management Program

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

Highlights of increases and decreases in the 2021 draft budget are provided below:

- Funding Sources:
 - Parcel Tax increase by \$150.
 - Surplus decrease by \$1,940.
 - Gas Tax increase by \$50,000.
 - User Fees \$6,120 (no change).

Net sum of overall increase in revenue is \$48,210.

- Operations:
 - Insurance decrease of \$356.
 - General operations increase \$50,000.
 - Allocations (Admin and Fleet) increase of \$45.
 - Transfer to Capital Reserve increase \$464
 - Transfer to Operating Reserve decrease \$1,943

The net sum of overall expenses is \$48,210.

The balance of the operational reserve, including the estimated 2020 surplus is: \$24,230 and the balance of the capital reserve is \$13,860.

COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):

None.

OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

None.

Attachments:

1. Function 604 Friesen Subdivision Sewer 2021 Draft Budget and Parcel Tax