

Staff Report for Decision

DATE OF MEETING JULY 17, 2025

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SUBJECT ALLOCATION OF PEDESTRIAN UNALLOCATED FUNDS

OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To adjust project funding sources to ensure successful delivery of approved projects. |

Recommendation

That the Finance and Audit Committee recommend that Council:

1. Fund the Townsite Road at St. Patrick Crescent raised crosswalk from Developer Contributions; and
2. Reallocate the \$100,000 from the 2025 Pedestrian Unallocated budget for the Townsite Road at St. Patrick Crescent raised crosswalk to fund budget shortfalls on 2023 Pedestrian Unallocated projects.

BACKGROUND

Since 2018 Council has supported improvements to the pedestrian network through Staff's annual "Pedestrian Unallocated" reports. Most recently, Council approved the allocation of \$300,000 to three locations; Applecross at McRobb, Townsite at St Patrick, and Waddington at Dufferin (Attachment A).

DISCUSSION

Since the 2025 Pedestrian Unallocated Report was drafted and approved by Council, details relating to the previous 2023 approved projects have changed. Three previously approved 2023 projects have progressed through procurement and have been identified as requiring additional funds to complete construction. These projects are:

	Budget	Actual	Difference
Dufferin @ Grant – raised crosswalk	\$ 100,000	\$ 105,388	\$ (5,388)
Dover @ Applecross - flashers	\$ 80,730	\$ 110,091	\$ (29,361)
400 Block Campbell St - crossing	\$ 118,200	\$ 148,673	\$ (30,473)

In addition, a Subdivision application was approved at 1355 Townsite Road, with a cash in lieu contribution of \$97,457.33 for upgrades to pedestrian facilities in the surrounding area, which could be allocated to the recently approved Townsite/St Patrick crosswalk.

The project funding shortfall and the cash contribution from the development project are very close in value and so Staff recommend adjusting funding sources for the projects to ensure that all works are completed as intended.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The financial implications of this situation would be minimal as the cash contribution from the development has not been identified for a specific project, only that it is to be used for enhancing walkability in the neighbourhood, which allocating to the Townsite at St Patrick intersection would fulfill.

OPTIONS

1. That the Finance and Audit Committee recommend that Council:
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 2. Reallocate the \$100,000 from the 2025 Pedestrian Unallocated budget for the Townsite Road at St. Patrick Crescent raised crosswalk to fund budget shortfalls on 2023 Pedestrian Unallocated projects.
 - The advantage of this option is that all projects proceed as envisioned with no additional cost to the City.
 - The disadvantage of this option is the possible missed opportunity to use the deferred revenue funds for a project that has yet to be identified.
 - Financial Implications: There are no financial implications with this option
2. That Council provide alternate direction to Staff.

SUMMARY POINTS

- Projects previously approved under the 2023 Pedestrian Unallocated Program have progressed to the procurement stage but have are being quoted above the approved budget.
- A Subdivision adjacent the Townsite at St Patrick intersection was approved with a cash in lieu agreement to fund nearby pedestrian improvements.
- Applying the cash in lieu to the Townsite at St Patrick project will allow funds from the 2025 Pedestrian Unallocated Budget to be used to address the 2023 Projects budgetary shortfalls.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Staff Report from June 18, 2025, Finance and Audit Committee

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