



Report to Council

Department: Infrastructure Services
Division: Capital Works and Asset Management
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Recommendation(s)

That Capital Works and Asset Management Report-2026-05 entitled “2026 Hot Mix Asphalt Program Update” by David McBeth, Manager, Capital Work & Asset Management, dated April 20, 2026, be received.

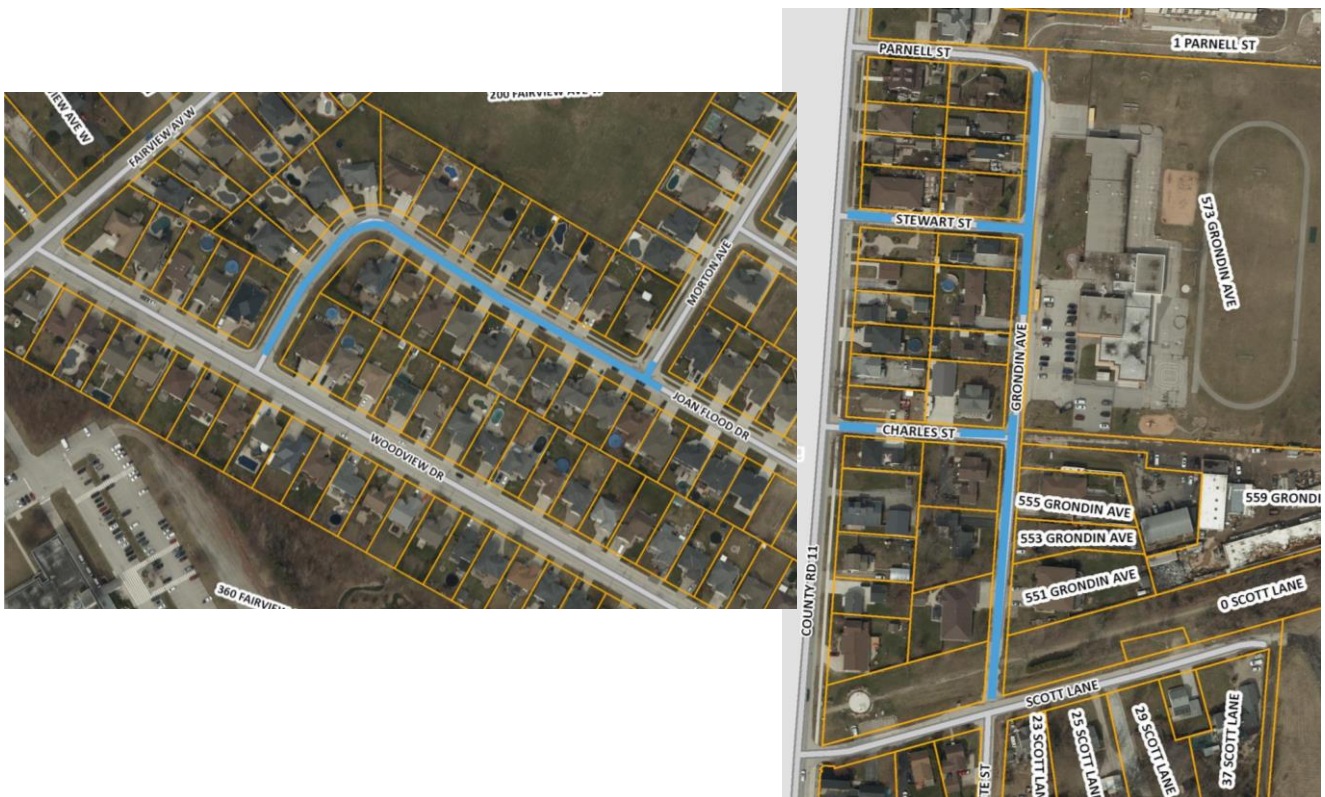
Purpose

To provide Council with an informative report given the dollar value of the project and award the projects within the report that were tendered by the County of Essex. In an effort to provide cost savings to the Town of Essex through economies of scale, Administration partnered with the County of Essex Infrastructure Services Department to include the Town of Essex hot mix paving projects on the County’s Hot Mix Asphalt Tenders for 2026.

Background and Discussion

This year the Town of Essex through the County of Essex tendered our hot mix asphalt paving project through their mill and pave tender. This tender covered two (2) paving projects for the Town of Essex which are:

- Essex – Joan Flood Drive from Woodview Drive to the limits of Woodview Estates, Phase 3 (per the image below); and
- McGregor – Grondin Avenue from Parnell Street to Scott Lane & Stewart Street and Charles Street from County Road 11 to Grondin Avenue (per the image below). A provisional item for milling and paving Scott Lane from County Road 11 to Grondin Avenue was included in the tender with the County.



The County of Essex's tender for the mill and pave projects in Essex and McGregor came in at \$280,806.72, including non-refundable HST.

From the Capital Works and Asset Management Report 2026-06 entitled "Colchester Village Water Service Replacement and Road Rehabilitation, Phase 1 Tender Results," the cost of the road work portion of this project's tender is \$ 505,991.42 including non-refundable HST.

To complete the Joan Flood Drive paving projects, concrete repair works to catchbasins and curbs need to be completed and this work was tendered by Capital Works and Asset Management through our Concrete Works tender that was awarded to PSCO Technical Group. Concrete repairs for the Town's Hot Mix Asphalt project came in at \$21,827.52, including non-refundable HST.

The total road costs of all three tenders is \$ 808,625.66 including non-refundable HST. The Hot Mix Asphalt Program for 2026 is \$ 950,000.00, which leaves \$141,374.34 remaining in the budget.

There are additional expenses for asphalt escalation, and contract administration services provided by the County of Essex, which includes material testing, line painting, and contract administration.

A provisional road for Scott Lane in McGregor was also tendered and came in at \$ 92,168.10. With the higher oil and higher fuel costs, Administration is not recommending proceeding with this work at this time as the asphalt escalation may be higher than previous years. Administration will review the budget as projects are completed and will come back to Council with a report if the provisional Scott Lane works can be completed in 2026 should there be sufficient budget.

Administration is therefore proceeding with all tendered works, excluding the provisional works for Scott Lane in McGregor.

Financial Impact

As per the 2026 approved budget, \$ 950,000.00 has been allocated for the subject works (PW-26-0011). The total road costs of all three tenders is within the approved budget.

Additional expenses are also expected for asphalt escalation, and contract administration services provided by the County of Essex, which include material testing, line painting, and contract administration which are all projected to be within the allocated project budget.

Consultations

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Kate Giurissevich, CAO

Kate Rowe, Director, Corporate Services/Treasurer

Link to Strategic Priorities

- Embrace asset management best practices to build, maintain, and continuously improve our municipally owned infrastructure.
- Leverage our Town's competitive advantages to promote jobs and economic investment.
- Take care of our natural environment and strengthen the sense of belonging to everyone who makes Essex "home".
- Deliver friendly customer service in an efficient, effective, and transparent manner while providing an exceptional working environment for our employees.
- Build corporate-level and community-level climate resilience through community engagement and partnership and corporate objectives.

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