



Report to Council

Department: Development Services
Division: Development Services
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Subject: Climate Change Adaptation Plan Annual Report
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Recommendation(s)

That Development Services Report 2022-05 entitled "Climate Change Adaptation Plan Annual Report" prepared by Lori Chadwick and Marc Tortola dated April 19, 2022 be received for information.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide a progress update to Council on the status of initiatives and action items identified in the Council-adopted Climate Change Adaptation Plan.

Background and Discussion

At the Regular Meeting on February 16, 2021, Council officially adopted "Climate Ready: A Climate Change Adaptation Plan (CCAP) for the Town of Essex, 2021-2026". The CCAP provides a roadmap for both Council and Administration on how we can prepare and adapt to the future impacts of climate change through policy, process, infrastructure, and

communication developments. The presented action items in the CCAP were developed in a way to avert damages to public and private assets, operations, services, heritage, economy, and the quality of life of residents.

As identified in the CCAP, Administration will be delivering an Annual Report to Council which will highlight the action that have been initiated and implemented across the corporation and the community. This first Annual Report, attached herein, highlights the progress made from March 2021 to March 2022.

Financial Impact

The cost of implementing action items in the CCAP have been estimated in the ranges stated within the document itself.

Consultations

Senior Management Team

Jeff Watson, Senior Planning Advisor

Link to Strategic Priorities

- Manage, invest and plan for sustainable municipal infrastructure which meets current and future needs of the municipality and its citizens.
- Create a safe, friendly and inclusive community which encourages healthy, active living for people of all ages and abilities.
- Provide a fiscal stewardship and value for tax dollars to ensure long-term financial health to the municipality.
- Manage responsible and viable growth while preserving and enhancing the unique rural and small town character of the community.
- Improve the experiences of individuals, as both citizens and customers, in their interactions with the Town of Essex.
- Improve the Town's capacity to meet the ongoing and future service needs of its citizens while ensuring the corporation is resilient in the face of unanticipated changes or disruptions.

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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Doug Sweet, Chief Administrative Officer - Apr 12, 2022 - 8:44 AM