

COMMUNICATION # CC-2021-0327

TITLE: Request to Address City Council – Petition Regarding Coteau St. Bridge

TO: City Council

FROM: City Clerk's Office

DATE: November 10, 2021

PUBLIC: PUBLIC DOCUMENT

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Mr. Philip Siggelkow and anyone else in the gallery who wishes to speak regarding the Coteau Street Bridge be allowed to address City Council.

THAT Communication #CC-2021-0327 regarding Request to Address City Council – Petition Regarding Coteau St. Bridge be received and filed.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to convey a petition requesting City Council to reconsider its decision to demolish the Coteau St. Bridge.

BACKGROUND

City Council provided approval to demolish the Coteau Street East Bridge in the 2021 Budget. The Department of Engineering Services has engaged and received approval from Canadian National Railways to cost share the demolition project. The Department of Engineering Services is currently engaging a consultant to demolish the Coteau Street East Bridge.

At the September 27, 2021 regular meeting of City Council, Council considered Communication #CC-2021-0261 from the Department of Engineering Services, re: Citizen Request to Refurbish Coteau Street Bridge (Attachment C). The purpose of Communication #CC-2021-0261 was to convey a request to City Council from Mr. Doug Reichel, citizen, requesting that Coteau Street East bridge be refurbished as a pedestrian/cyclist only bridge.

At the September 27, 2021 meeting, Council passed the following motion:

"THAT Communication #CC-2021-0261 regarding Mr. Doug Reichel's request to refurbish the Coteau Street Bridge be received and filed."

On November 5, 2021, a letter and petition were received by the City Clerk's Office from Mr. Philip Siggelkow regarding the Coteau Street Bridge. The petition, bearing 255 signatures, requests that City Council reconsider the decision to demolish the bridge over the railway track on Coteau Street East (Attachments A and B).

DISCUSSION

The City's <u>Procedure Bylaw</u> – Written Communication – Matters on City Council Agenda, specifically, section 33 states:

"33(4) Subject to subsection (6), (7), and (8), the City Clerk shall place all original communications and petitions on the agenda of the next ensuing regular meeting of City Council where reasonably practicable and not to exceed two (2) ensuing City Council meetings, which are to be considered by Committee of the Whole."

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The demolition of Coteau Street East Bridge has been considered and was approved by City Council in the 2021 Capital Budget.

OPTIONS TO RECOMMENDATION

- THAT City Council consider the petition's request and advise the Director of Engineering Services to halt all further actions respecting the demolition of the Coteau Street Bridge until further notice.
- THAT City Council consider other alternatives.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Jim Puffalt, City Manager, will introduce the report. Mr. Bevan Harlton, Director of Engineering Services, will be available to answer questions of City Council.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Letter from Mr. Philip Siggelkow dated November 5, 2021.
- B. CONFIDENTIAL Petition [The document contains personal information pursuant to section 94(2) of *The Cities Act* as it contains information that is within one or more of the exemptions in Part III of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, in particular section 23(e)].

C. Communication #CC-2021-0261:

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REPORT APPROVAL

Written by: Maureen Latta, Acting Assistant City Clerk

Reviewed by: Tracy Wittke, City Clerk Approved by: Jim Puffalt, City Manager

Approved by: Mayor Tolley

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

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