

Report to Council

To: Waterworks Committee
From: Administration
File #: DOP-CC-15
Date: May 25, 2021
Re: WPCF Upgrading Status

For Information

Tasks undertaken since mid-April regarding the Portage la Prairie Water Pollution Control Facility (WPCF) Upgrading project include:

- 1) Provided a short project update to Manitoba Strategic Initiatives and Alternate Delivery (formerly Manitoba Sustainable Infrastructure Secretariat). The ICIP agreement has not yet been received. Several discussions with Provincial representatives and a letter with a request regarding the project was sent to Minister Helwer.
- 2) The Utility Maintenance Shop Request for Contractor Qualifications closed and four submissions were received. Three proponents were selected for the next phase. The Design-Build Request for Proposal was issued on April 19 and closes on May 27, 2021. The RFP includes an opportunity for the Design-build team to consider long-term energy savings for the City and the team will assess each proposal accordingly. The teams will submit a 25% design with their proposal. A site visit was provided to each team on April 22. This building will be funded approximately 50% under the ICIP program.
- 3) The details of the Project Agreement and Request for Proposal documents continue to be drafted, reviewed, and revised as needed. Project payment mechanism options and industrial service agreement cost-sharing approaches are being considered. It is intended to issue the RFP once the wastewater loading and required treatment is confirmed and the funding is confirmed, which should be in late May.
- 4) Discussions regarding Industrial wastewater treatment requirements continued and appear to be nearly settled.

Tasks over the next month will include reviewing and proposing amendments to the ICIP funding agreement, if received; confirming the industrial wastewater loading and treatment requirement; finalizing the scope of work for the Request for Proposals and the Project Agreement; review of the proposals submitted in response to the RFP for the Design Build of the Utility maintenance building; and compiling additional historical documents and wastewater characterization documents to be made available to the proponents.