



## **COUNCIL – AGENDA REPORT**

**Meeting Date:** 3 December 2024

**Subject:** Resolution, Support application for a Local Growth and Sustainability grant

**Directorate:** Strategic Growth and Investment

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### **Issue:**

Council is being asked to provide a resolution of support for the City of Airdrie to apply for the Local Growth and Sustainability Grant (LGSG) offered by the Government of Alberta.

### **Policy / Council Direction:**

Advocacy for provincial infrastructure funding.

### **Background:**

The objective of the LGSG is to provide funding to local governments to support infrastructure projects that:

- enhance and expand infrastructure in those local governments that are experiencing growth pressures;
- support new or expanding industrial, commercial, and residential development to advance economic activity in local governments to benefit residents; and/or
- address an urgent infrastructure breakdown that is impacting the health and safety of residents of a small community where the local government cannot fund the project with existing resources.

Airdrie was identified as an eligible applicant for the Growth Component stream, which is intended to help mid-sized local governments address growth pressures resulting from rapid population, tourism, and economic growth; and to attract investment and talent to Alberta by providing the appropriate infrastructure; create jobs; address housing challenges; and develop local economies.

City Administration reviewed several projects for alignment with project objectives and eligibility criteria and selected the left-hand turn at Gateway and Veterans Boulevard NE for the City's submission. If successful, the LGSG would support the project with 50% of the cost paid by the Province in proportion to Airdrie's share as a high-growth community.

**Council Committee Routed Through:**

N/A

**Administration Recommendation:**

That council make a resolution to support the application for funding through the Local Growth and Sustainability Grant.

**Alternatives/Implications:**

If Council does not support the application for funding through the Local Growth and Sustainability Grant, the transportation project at Gateway and Veterans Boulevard cannot be subsidized with grant funding.

**Budget Implications:**

The grant will cover 50% of the estimated capital project cost.

**Communications and Engagement:**

N/A

**Recommendation:**

That Council supports the City of Airdrie's application for a Local Growth and Sustainability Grant to be used towards the left hand turn transportation project at Gateway and Veterans Boulevard NE.

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