

Priorities Committee Meeting_Jan29_2019

STRATEGIC INITIATIVE AND UPDATE

Winter Maintenance Update – Unforeseen Climatic Conditions Clause

Report Purpose

To provide the Priorities Committee with an update on the enactment of the unforeseen climatic conditions clause from the Winter Maintenance Policy.

Our Prioritized Strategic Goals

Continuously improving the way we work, as one organization, in an agile and sustainable manner

Report

Administration regularly reviews its Winter Maintenance Policy with Council to ensure it effectively addresses snow clearing needs as the community grows and changes.

Due to the amount of snow that fell in December 2018, Transportation and Agriculture Services enacted the “unforeseen climatic conditions” clause in our winter maintenance policy, which significantly shortens the timeframe for snow clearing. Snow fall began on December 2, and by early December 3 we had received 24 centimetres of snow. As this is only the second time this clause has been enacted, we will review the event, operational challenges, opportunities for improvement, and feedback from the public.

Council and Committee History

April 4, 2017 Council approved SER-009-026 Winter Maintenance Policy – Roads, Sidewalks, and Parking Lots, as set out in Enclosure 1 of the April 4, 2017 Transportation and Agriculture Services report, as revised.

Other Impacts

Policy: n/a

Legislative/Legal: n/a

Interdepartmental: Enforcement Services, Fleet Services

Enclosure

1 Winter Maintenance Policy – Unforeseen climatic conditions update