STRATEGIC INITIATIVE AND UPDATE

Strathcona County 2018 Annual Management Report

Report Purpose
To present the 2018 Annual (Q4) Management Report to Priorities Committee.

Our Prioritized Strategic Goals
Governance Requirement

Report
As the 2018 annual audit was completed, a small number of additional transactions were identified and processed subsequent to the presentation of the draft preliminary surplus report. It is typical for a small number of additional transactions to be processed; however, the 2018 year-end processing was impacted by the November 6, 2018 incident at the County, which contributed to the need for these additional transactions. All required adjustments have now been posted and the year-end financial information is complete and balanced. As a result of these final adjustments, the $55,500 transfer to the contingency reserve that Council had previously approved has been reversed, and the revised financial municipal surplus is $nil. An updated reserve continuity schedule has been provided for your information (Enclosure 1). The overall net change to municipal reserve balances is a decrease of ($80,322).

Although the audit activity is essentially complete, the results will continue to be reported as “Draft” until Council approves the audited financial statements on April 30, 2019, in accordance with the annual process.

2018 Annual Management Report
The 2018 Annual Management Report (Enclosure 2) is presented to Priorities Committee in order to provide:

- Analysis of the 2018 operating surplus;
- An overview of capital activity, including analysis of the variance between the planned and actual capital spending for 2018;
- An assessment of the financial condition of the County based on the consolidated financial statements; and

Enclosure 3 includes the annual long term debt reporting and ratios reporting which is a requirement of FIN-001-025: Debt Management Policy.

Council and Committee History
March 5, 2019 Council approved the 2018 year-end surplus allocations and reserve transactions.
July 17, 2018 Corporate Finance presented the 2018 consolidated budget presented in accordance with Public Sector Accounting Standards to Council.
December 4, 2017 Council approved the 2018 consolidated operating and capital budget.
Other Impacts
Policy: FIN-001-010: Financial Reporting
Legislative/Legal: n/a
Interdepartmental: All County departments
Master Plan/Framework: n/a

Communication Plan
Other: Strathcona County website, Corporate Finance page

Enclosures
1  Reserve Continuity Report (Unaudited) 2018
2  Annual Management Report 2018
3  Long Term Debt Reporting and Ratios 2018
4  Strathcona County Annual Management Report presentation 2018