Request for Decision

To: Regular Meeting

From: **Deputy Manager of Operations and Sustainability**

Date: February 26, 2018

Subject: Solar Now Project Budget

Recommendation: **RESOLVED THAT Council approves a 2018 project**

> budget of \$65,000 for the SolarNow project and directs staff to include the project budget in the 2018-2022

Financial Plan bylaw.

Background

Council directed staff to pursue the SolarNow project and grant at the May 15, 2017 Regular Meeting. Discussions with the program officer progressed throughout 2017 and early 2018. Some councilors also requested an update in early 2018. The current proposed project would be a solar panel installation in a public location. Options that are being technically evaluated include a stage covering in City Park, shade structures in a City parking lot, or shade structures in Gyro Park. The solar generator would be between 8-12 kilowatts. Once the program evaluates the technical feasibility of the potential sites, staff will present the preliminary design to Council. Funding must be confirmed before the preliminary design is drafted. The proposed project budget for 2018 is \$65,000 with the City contributing \$40,000 and the grant program contributing \$25,000.

Benefits or Impacts

Strategic Impact



Fiscal Responsibility

Action: explore renewable energy options.

Policy/Legislation

2018-2022 Financial Plan

Recommendation

RESOLVED THAT Council approves a 2018 project budget of \$65,000 for the SolarNow project and directs staff to include the project budget in the 2018-2022 Financial Plan bylaw.

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 1. RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the report.
 2. RESOLVED THAT Council does not accept the report.
 3. RESOLVED THAT Council refers the matter back to staff for further information.

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