District of Barriere REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: March 22, 2021	File: 530.20/Rpts
To: Council	From: Bob Payette, CAO
Re: FCM Grant Application Submission - Resolution	

Background: The Municipal Asset Management Program (MANP) aims to support municipalities in making informed infrastructure investment decisions. This funding offer is currently open for applications. The grant will cover 80% of costs.

Discussion: This funding offer is open to all municipal governments in Canada. It focuses on building strong foundations in asset management by supporting activities that incorporate asset management into daily practices. Subject to funding availability, applications will be accepted until October 31, 2022. This project will assist and provide District staff with the information related to any existing funding gaps that are in place and information needed to assign appropriate cost, budgets, grant applications and service rates for the provision of water/sewer services.

Given Barriere's population, it can qualify for an 80/20 funding split, up to a maximum funded amount of \$50,000 (therefore, a \$62,500 project budget). As a first-time applicant, Barriere would be given some priority.

Recommendation: THAT Council directs staff to apply for a grant opportunity from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program for Roads and Utility Assets planning; and

THAT the District of Barriere commits to conducting the following activities in its proposed project submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program to advance our asset management program:

- 1) The road assessment and pavement management program, and
- 2) Long term investment forecast associated with District assets. This would involve conducting a risk assessment associated with District assets (water and sewer) and then determining the financial contribution (25 Year Investment) associated with asset renewal/replacement within this planning horizon; and

Be it further resolved, THAT the District of Barriere commits \$12,500 toward the costs of this initiative.

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