

COUNCIL REPORT

Meeting Date: June 2, 2025
Department: Chief Administrative Officer
Report No.: CAO-2025-11
Submitted by: Rob Browning, Chief Administrative Officer
Approved by: Rob Browning, Chief Administrative Officer
SUBJECT: Head Street Dam Removal Cost Share for Strathroy-Caradoc

RECOMMENDATION: THAT: Council receive report CAO-2025-11, Head Street Dam Removal Cost Share for Strathroy-Caradoc for information, and further;

THAT: Council pre-approve the amount of \$38,985.00 in the 2026 Budget and the amount of \$33,391.00 in the 2027 Budget payable to the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority for Strathroy-Caradoc's share of the cost of this project. These payments would be conditional on the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority receiving the grant from Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure (WECI) Grant in the total amount of \$144,500.00.

BACKGROUND:

At the September 3, 2024 council meeting, the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority presented a project concept for the removal of Head Street dam. Council asked the SCRCA to provide a project plan and costing for its review. These documents are attached for Council's review. The SCRCA has also included the Coldstream dam as the work on it would run concurrently with the removal of the Head Street dam. Strathroy-Caradoc's contributions would be conditional on the SCRCA receiving a grant from WECl in the total amount of \$144,500.00. Strathroy-Caradoc's contributions would be \$38,985.00 in 2026 and \$33,391.00 in 2027. Middlesex-Centre has approved the same payments also contingent on the WECl grant funding.

COMMENTS: NONE

CONSULTATION:

The Director of IT and Finance was consulted.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

\$38,985.00 in 2026

\$33,391.00 in 2027

ALTERNATIVE(S) TO THE RECOMMENDATION:

1. (Alternative, if any)
2. Council to provide alternate direction.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This matter is in accord with the following strategic priorities:

Local Infrastructure

ATTACHMENTS:

Potential Removal of Head Street Dam in Strathroy Summary

Next Steps Cost Breakdown and Summary

Proposed Contribution Sources