





CITY OF ORILLIA **COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE (CIP)**

TO: Mayor and Members of Council
FROM: Environment and Infrastructure Services Department
DATE: June 17, 2021
SUBJECT: Climate Change Action Plan – Project Update #2

As part of the 2021 Budget Process, Council approved the Climate Change Action Plan capital project, funded in the amount of \$120,000. The following has been prepared as an update with respect to the project.

- Staff are working with the SSG/whatIf technologies team to deliver Corporate and Community Climate Change Action Plans this year. The initial schedule for the project is presented below:

Climate Change Action Plan Timeline	
	Early May 2021 – Professional Services awarded to SSG.
	Corporate and Community plan development – Early May – August 2021.
	Public Engagement – Summer 2021.
	Presentation to Council, Final Corporate Plan – August 2021.
	Presentation to Council, Final Community Plan – September/October 2021.

- Staff and the consulting team have been working on the following projects tasks since the time of the last update to Council in May 2021:
 - Comprehensive City and community data request to support development of modelling scenarios for emissions.
 - Initial pre-engagement interviews with members of the community to refine and shape the engagement strategy for the project.
 - Initial development of communications plan and website presence for the project.
 - Planning and delivery of engagement Workshop #1 with members of the Community Based Steering Committee (CBSC) and the City Staff Working Group.
- The CBSC Workshop #1 occurred Wednesday, June 16th and was very well attended by representatives of groups, organizations, institutions, and businesses within the Orillia area. There will be another four CBSC

Workshops throughout the project to capture feedback and input into the Community Climate Change Action Plan.

- The public engagement strategy is being created and finalized and will include opportunities for broad public engagement and input on the project in Summer 2021.
- Staff are working to determine appropriate timing to schedule a Special Meeting of Council late summer/early fall 2021 to provide all Members of Council with the opportunity for direct consultation and engagement in this important project.

Staff will continue to circulate updates on this project to Members of Council by CIP.

Please call Renee Recoskie (705-325-2395) or Andrew Schell (705-325-7551) should you have any questions.