# Municipality of East Ferris

## Report to Council

Report No.: R-2025-12 Date: September 9, 2025

Originator: Antoine C. Boucher, Municipal Engineer

Subject: Cenotaph Parking Improvements

### RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris authorize staff to proceed with paving of the cenotaph parking lot based on the two (2) row configuration layout at an estimated cost of \$64,000.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Municipality of East Ferris requested various paving quotes for intersection improvements, culvert repairs, the new Municipal Parking lot and requested a provisional quote to pave the cenotaph parking lot.

Pioneer Construction submitted the lowest quote. Staff is now scheduling the work prior to the end of September.

The original layout for the paving of the cenotaph parking lot consisted of a single row. Prior to proceeding with the work, staff evaluated a few alternatives as described below.

#### **ANALYSIS/OPTIONS**

## Alternative 1:



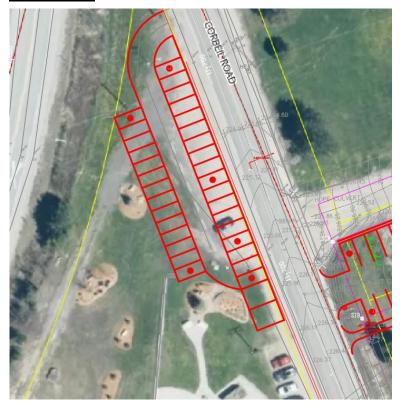
This first alternative consists of paving a single row of parking lot, providing approximately 20 parking spaces plus 2 wheelchair accessible spaces.

In addition to this work, the shoulder would be paved throughout including up to the entrance to the cenotaph site to match the interlock patio stones.

Further to this work, the few parking spaces (currently gravel) adjacent to the cenotaph will be returned to grass and landscaped to match on both sides of the interlock entrance to the cenotaph site.

The paving cost for this alternative is estimated at \$29,500.

## Alternative 2:



This second alternative would introduce a second row of parking, providing approximately 30 parking spaces plus 2 wheelchair accessible spaces.

This would also include the shoulder paving throughout including up to the entrance to the cenotaph site to match the interlock patio stones.

The same few parking spaces (currently gravel) adjacent to the cenotaph will also be returned to grass and landscaped to match on both sides of the interlock entrance to the cenotaph site.

The construction cost for this alternative is estimated at \$64,000.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> alternative will result in a better use of the site, and provide additional parking for future use (events, overflow parking for public, etc.). It is therefore recommended to proceed with the two (2) row configuration layout.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cenotaph parking lot project cost is not included in the 2025 budget although we have funds available in the approved budget to transfer to this project. We did not proceed with installation of the air conditioner in the gymnasium of a municipal facility as the quote came in significantly higher than the \$25,000.00 allocated in the budget. The remaining \$39,000.00 is available in the operating budget due to actual levies being lower than anticipated for Cassellholme capital levy interest payments.

Respectfully Submitted,

I concur with this report and recommendation,

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