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Date: September 20, 2018
To: Mayor and Council
Author: G.A. Plancke / Director of Municipal Services
RE: Kingsville Range Light Relocation
Report No.: MS 2018 - 39

AIM

To advise Council on the logistics and estimated costs to relocate the Kingsville Range Light from its current location at the Kingsville Historical Park Museum site to a new Town owned waterfront location.

BACKGROUND

The Kingsville Range Light or "Kingsville Lighthouse" was constructed in 1889 and was in operation as the back Range Light until the end 1936. The Lighthouse has been relocated a few times since 1936, most recently in 1973 where it was relocated from its site on Park St. to Lakeside Park where it remained until November of 1991 at which time it was again relocated to the grounds of the Kingsville Historical Park Museum.

It was extensively renovated in 2003, and has remained largely untouched other than required maintenance activities since that time.

During the Sept 10, 2018, regular Meeting of Council, a delegation representative from the Kingsville Historical Park Museum identified the desire of the Board of Directors to donate the Kingsville Range Light or "Kingsville Lighthouse" back to the Town after a twenty seven (27) year tenure at the Kingsville Historical Park Museum site located at 163 Lansdowne Avenue in Kingsville centre.

Resolution 517- 2018 stated:

That Council refer the request of K. Gunning on behalf of the Board of Directors of Kingsville Historical Park Inc. regarding the possible donation of the Kingsville Range Light (lighthouse structure) to the Town of Kingsville, to Administration for a Report.

DISCUSSION

Municipal Services has obtained some preliminary cost estimates in order to provide Council with an accurate cost of accepting the donation of the Lighthouse, inclusive of relocation expenses, foundation preparation and servicing as required.

The cost to relocate (Physically moving) the Lighthouse has been quoted at \$15,000. The cost to install a new block foundation, permits, and provide site servicing (hydro) has been estimated at \$15,000.

Municipal Services endorses a potential location suitable to relocate the Lighthouse, which is attached for Council information as (Appendix A).

The Grovedale House property / Mettawas Park area has been identified as the most suitable location to permanently place the Lighthouse.

The Lighthouse would make an excellent addition to the Mettawas Park development plans currently underway, and would be a fitting reminder of the marine heritage this Town enjoys.

The Lighthouse could be installed in keeping with its original function; in clear site of approaching boats into the harbour in conjunction with the current range lights. It could become a new landmark for marine travellers in general.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Promote the betterment, self-image and attitude of the community.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Assuming there are no major unanticipated or unforeseen expenditures, the cost to relocate and permanently place the Lighthouse at its new location is estimated to be \$30,000. An additional 10% contingency would be included to address minor unforeseen issues.

A 2019 Capital budget line item of \$33,000 needs to be included to cover the expense of relocation should Council agree to accept the donation.

CONSULTATIONS

Desjardins House Movers
Chief Building Official – Pete Valore
Municipal Services
Kingsville Historical Park Museum

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive the information as presented, and to accept the donation of the Kingsville Range Light as donated by the Kingsville Historical Park Museum Board of Directors provided that:

The sum of \$33,000 be included into the 2019 Capital budget for expenses related to the relocation, and permanent placement of the "Kingsville Lighthouse".

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