

**THE CORPORATION OF HALDIMAND COUNTY
RECOMMENDATION
Council in Committee**

Recommendation

Date: 05/11/2021

Moved By: _____

Seconded By: _____

WHEREAS the federal government has announced the “Growing Canada’s Forests” program as part of its 2 Billion Trees initiative, making substantial matching funding available to support reforestation and tree planting efforts across the country;

AND WHEREAS this is a timely opportunity to attract federal investment in Haldimand County towards implementing nature-based climate solutions in our communities through a strong and coordinated multi-partner approach across the County;

AND WHEREAS the Facilities, Parks, Cemeteries and Forestry Operations Division is working towards a 10-year street tree and park planting program to be included as part of a Request for Information submission in application to Growing Canada’s Forest Funding program due May 27th 2021;

AND WHEREAS the proposed opportunity aligns with the street tree planting and reforestation objectives identified in the County’s Forest Management Plan and has the potential to provide multiscale benefits,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the County’s submission for a Request for Information (RFI) submission in application to Growing Canada’s Forests initiative with the goal of increasing street tree planting across the County, be supported;

AND THAT if the County’s RFI application is successful, Haldimand County will cost-share planting projects with federal funding support on a 50/50 basis.

CARRIED

DEFEATED ON A TIED VOTE

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