



ADDITIONAL AGENDA



FOR THE *REGULAR MEETING OF RED DEER CITY COUNCIL*

TO BE HELD IN

THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

MONDAY, November 17, 2008

COMMENCING AT 3:00 P.M.



(1) **REPORTS**

1. The City of Red Deer Manager - *Re: Consulting Fees and Expenses: Greater Downtown Action Plan*

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Reports Item No. 1

Office of the City Manager

DATE: November 12, 2008
TO: City Council
FROM: Craig Curtis, City Manager
RE: Consulting Fees and Expenses: Greater Downtown Action Plan

1. The consulting fees and expenses for the Greater Downtown Action Plan (GDAP) were approved by City Council in two stages for a total of \$192,590.00
2. The new plan will be presented to City Council as a final draft in December or January.

The overall plan is presented as a vision with limited detail regarding the detail design of the public spaces. For this reason, it has been suggested that an additional design charette be held in early December prior to the overall plan being adopted. This follows a recommendation from the Mayor and the GDAP Committee.

3. A proposal to undertake this work is attached with a total cost of \$28,000. This will advance work that would have normally commenced early next year. The resulting concept plans and illustrations will form an addendum to the GDAP.

4. **Recommendation:**

That City Council approve an additional allocation of \$28,000 from the Public Realm Reserve for costs related to a public spaces design charette for the Riverlands portion of the Greater Action Downtown Plan.

Craig Curtis, City Manager

c Councillor Cindy Jefferies, GDAP Committee Chair
Jerry Tennant, Acting Greater Downtown Action Plan Coordinator

Attachment



November 7, 2008

City Manager and City Council
City of Red Deer
City Hall
Red Deer, AB

Proposal for Riverlands Design Charrette

At the request of City Manager Craig Curtis and the Greater Downtown Action Plan Steering Committee, we are submitting the attached proposal.

Grandview Consulting Inc., in partnership with John Hull Architect and MVH Inc., hereby proposes to conduct a design charrette to further the urban design processes related to Riverlands and recreational areas across the river from Riverlands.

The process will involve the design team of Michael von Hausen, Don Wuori, and Calum Srigley, whose work during the Greater Downtown Action Week in June 2008 was very well received. We have been fortunate enough to obtain their services for two days of design workshops in December.

Attached is a proposal outline and budget.

On behalf of the partner firms, I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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Lorne Daniel
Managing Partner
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**Riverlands – Bower Ponds – Great Chief Park
Public Spaces Design Charrette**

Proposal:

The lead consultants for the Greater Downtown Action Plan will coordinate a design charrette to create design concepts for public spaces in the Riverlands district and explore their relationship to present and future uses of Bower Ponds and Great Chief Park. The charrette will involve the design team of Michael von Hausen, Don Wuori and Calum Srigley.

A cross section of stakeholders will be invited to participate in the charrette, which will occur on Friday December 12 and Saturday December 13. Specific times will be established in consultation with the design team but will likely involve Friday morning and Saturday morning open charrettes, followed by afternoon design work by the team.

Architectural elements and planning concepts to be explored include Riverlands street enhancements, plazas and water features; the Riverlands – Bower Ponds pedestrian bridge; adaptations to Bower Ponds facilities to complement Riverlands; and potential future land use of Great Chief Park areas as public gathering spaces.

The resulting concept plans and illustrations will form an addendum to the Greater Downtown Action Plan and advance planning for public spaces / recreation areas on both sides of the river in the city centre.

Budget:

Coordination and reporting by GDAP consultants	\$ 8,000 – 10,000
Design team (.5 day preparation, 2 days charrette, 1 day follow-up)	\$ 12,000
Design team travel, accommodations and expenses	\$ 5,510
Facilities and materials	<u>\$ 250</u>
Total:	\$25,760 – 27,760 Plus GST



Comments:

I support the recommendation from administration.

“Morris Flewwelling”
Mayor



Legislative & Administrative Services

Council Decision – November 17, 2008

DATE: November 18, 2008
TO: Craig Curtis, City Manager
FROM: Kelly Kloss, Legislative & Administrative Services Manager
SUBJECT: Consulting Fees and Expenses: Greater Downtown Action Plan

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Reference Report:

City Manager, dated November 12, 2008.

Resolution:

"Resolved that Council of the City of Red Deer having considered the report from the City Manager, dated November 12, 2008, Re: Consulting Fees and Expenses: Greater Downtown Action Plan, approves the transfer of \$28,000.00 from the Public Realm Reserve to the 2008 Operating Budget for costs related to a public spaces design charette for the Riverlands portion of the Greater Downtown Action Plan."

Report Back to Council: No.

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Kelly Kloss
Manager

Cc: Jerry Tennant, Greater Downtown Coordinator
Dean Krejci, Financial Services Manager
Mary Bovair, Financial Analyst