Grey County Logo Committee Report

# Report PSR-CW-08-17

**To**: Warden Barfoot and Members of Grey County Council

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**Meeting Date:** May 25, 2017

**Subject: Chatsworth Ambulance Base Tender and Chatsworth Depot**

**Status**: Recommendation adopted by Committee as presented per Resolution CW-104-17; Endorsed by County Council June 29, 2017 per Resolution CC27-17

## Recommendation

1. **That the project to add an ambulance base to the Chatsworth Depot be delayed and tender RFT-PS-02-17 not be awarded; and**
2. **That an updated design for the addition of an ambulance base that includes necessary renovations for both Transportation Services and Paramedic Services at the Chatsworth Depot be brought forward for Council’s consideration in the 2018 budget; and**
3. **That the remaining 2017 budgeted funding for this project be transferred to reserve for use in the 2018 budget.**

## Background

In 2016 G. M. Diemert Architect Inc. was contracted to supply general design and construction drawings, tender documents, tender review and construction oversight for the build of a new ambulance base at the Chatsworth Transportation Depot.

The original concept design of the addition was to include a total of approximately 2,000 square feet which would include two ambulance bays and crews quarters. When the building was engineered the total square footage increased to 2,335 sq. ft. which included the addition of an accessible washroom and changing the ambulance bays to a drive through configuration.

The contract for design and project oversight with G.M Diemert Architect Inc. was $40,104 including unrecoverable HST.

The capital budget for 2017 included an expenditure of $517,000 to construct the addition onto the existing depot building, with this expenditure being funded by a self-financed debenture over 15 years.

Costs on the project have risen substantially since it was initially discussed. Originally estimated to cost about $200 per sq. ft., the lowest compliant bid was $300 per sq. ft at $606,968 excluding HST which is approximately $100,650 over the approved budget inclusive of applicable taxes. Additional costs have been identified that were not included in the scope of work including asbestos remediation in the existing janitor room to allow for plumbing connections ($2,900), septic system analysis ($2,000), Ministry of Transportation Permit ($630), septic system upgrades if required ($15,000) and Chatsworth Building Permit Fees ($5,400). The total cost for the build would be $684,672 inclusive of consultant fees.

Recently, Transportation Services have identified several areas of concern in the existing building as well as requirements for additional space that could amount to over $400,000 if undertaken as individual projects.

It is recommended that a comprehensive analysis of requirements at the site be completed and an updated design that will maximize efficiencies and minimize costs be brought back for Council’s consideration.

## Financial / Staffing / Legal / Information Technology Considerations

Purchasing policies allow for the ambulance base project Tender RFT-PS-02-17to be cancelled without penalty.

The current Paramedic Services deployment model will be maintained.

The remaining 2017 budgeted funding of $25,411 should be placed in reserve for use in the 2018 budget. A total of approximately $22,000 has been spent to date.

## Link to Strategic Goals / Priorities

### Goal 3 Deliver Excellence in Governance and Service

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