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Here are the highlights from the South Dundas Council meeting held April 24, 2024.

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**2024 Core Asset Management Plan**

Asset Management Coordinator Nelson presented a high-level overview of the South Dundas Asset Management Plan that is due in July 2024. An updated report is to follow at a Council meeting in June 2024.

Some items to note are, in the Asset Management Plan, the Comprehensive Analysis includes asset inventory and replacement costs, risk ratings, levels of service, asset prioritization and useful life and condition ratings. The Financial Strategy includes Infrastructure Deficits and Annual Capital Requirements. Annual Capital Requirement is calculated as replacement cost divided by estimated useful life, which equals the Annual Requirement. This is what the target reserve amount would be. Looking at replacement costs, to replace every municipal asset, it would cost approximately \$433,400,000.00, which is an annual cost of approximately \$8,662,000.00. Assets are prioritized dependent on the assets risk rating, and the Asset Prioritization List is a tool to help decision making, however this does not mean the list is not to be followed entirely point-by-point.

“This is a great document to have at our fingertips, and I am really looking forward to having the 2024 version,” noted Councillor Ward.

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**Public Works Tenders Approved**

Council approved the report to award RFQ Number TS24-04 Sidewalk Replacement and Repair to JT Concrete Ltd in the amount of \$118,370.00 plus HST, along with awarding the Provisional Work to JT Concrete Ltd in the amount of \$19,208.00 plus HST. 16 companies submitted pricing for this RFQ. “I think it is fantastic that we are seeing a return on many bidders. The competition helps us to get the best price possible,” stated Mayor Broad. Director of Public Works Hyndman confirmed at the Mayors Request, that this is the first of four years in the Municipal Sidewalk Repair Plan.

Additionally, the report to award the tender for the purchase of One Freightliner Tri-Axle plow truck with Pro-line 2 Box, Plow and Wing to GinCor Industries in the amount of \$449,950.00 plus HST, was approved. Included in this tender was the purchase of the Provisional Swing Blade from GinCor Industries in the amount of \$2,380.00 plus HST.



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### Committee / Working Group Update

Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities, David Jansen, provided an update on the Youth Working Group, Parks & Recreation Committee, and the Carman House & South Dundas Heritage Committee. The Youth Working Group was successful bringing in 8 recruits and have scheduled their kick-off meeting. It was the direction of Council to continue to advertise for the Parks and Recreation committee and absorb concerns for the Carman House into the Economic & Community Development Committee. "I think we need to go out, ask folks to join and really see if we can get this committee going," noted Mayor Broad.

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### Upcoming Meetings

Regular Council Meetings: May 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

May 22, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.