# Briefing – to Members of Council

**Council Meeting Date:** September 3, 2019

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## Issue

- The Plamondon Beautification concept was originally presented to the previous Council, but the current Council has not seen it yet.

## Background

- Lac La Biche County began a five-year curb and gutter replacement program for the Hamlets of Lac La Biche and Plamondon in 2015.
- The majority of curb, gutter and sidewalks had already been replaced in the hamlet of Plamondon as part of the water and sewer replacement program in 2013/14, but Main Street (Highway 858) and part of 101 Avenue had not been.
- Previous Council had discussed finishing off these areas and part of the discussion that revolved around doing something extra in the downtown area similar to what had been undertaken in Lac La Biche a significant number of years before.
- During a Special Council Meeting held January 22, 2016, Motion 16.122 Council approved $30,000 to prepare a beautification plan for Plamondon through use of third-party consultation.
- Based on discussions surrounding Motion 16.122 at the Regular Council meeting of March 22, 2016, 16.358 Motion by Councillor Nowak to approve the Plamondon Main Street upgrades of storm water, curb and gutter, sidewalks, and lights in the amount of $1,398,000 in the 2016 capital budget, in partnership with Alberta Transportation and Fortis.
- This budget approval was based on an estimate provided by Administration for the block and a half from Old Trail to the Plamondon Creek. Council, however requested planning for the area between Double L Confectionary and Plamondon Creek as well as the unfinished portion of 101 Avenue from Highway 858 towards Festival Place, approximately seven and a half blocks.
- WSP was the successful consultant and they developed a conceptual plan with three proposed options, which was presented to business owner stakeholders at an open house in Plamondon on September 26, 2019.
- Based on feedback received, WSP revised the conceptual plan and it was presented to Council on November 8, 2016, which is attached.
Alberta Transportation was consulted on November 23, 2016 as Main Street in Plamondon is a provincial secondary highway.
Alberta Transportation relayed that resurfacing of this roadway was scheduled within the next three to five years.
Alberta Transportation also advised that although they would allow bulb-outs at intersections, they may choose to remove them when they overlaid the road in the future and that the extra work involved in cleaning would be the responsibility of the County.
It was also discussed that any underground infrastructure work required should be done prior to resurfacing.
Based on the estimated costs for completion, the water and sewer work has been completed but the beautification portion of the work has been put on hold and approximately $1,359,000 remains in a carried over budget.

**Strategic Alignment**
This project is aligned with Economic Development, Recreation and Culture and Tourism Strategic Goals.

**Follow-up**
To accept the briefing as information.

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