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## Council Report

STAFF: Brett Pollock, CBO

DATE: July 14, 2022

SUBJECT: Century Heights Water Expansion EA - Construction of New Supply Well

### Recommendation

THAT Council accept the proposal from W.D. Hopper & Sons Ltd. in the amount of \$81,815.00 plus H.S.T. for the drilling of a new supply well as part of the Century Heights Water System Expansion.

### Background

Further to the update provided to Council on June 7<sup>th</sup> one of the next steps in the EA process for the expansion of the Century Heights Water System is to drill a new test well. The well is to be located at the former Maitland View Estates well site. Should the testing be successful the well become a new Municipal Well. The well is needed to provide additional capacity to the existing water system to accommodate future growth.

### Comment

A request for proposal was sent out to five qualified contractors with only one providing a proposal. There was no response from two of the contractors, one stated the job was too far away and the fourth stated they were not able to take on additional work.

The one response received was from W.D. Hopper & Sons Ltd in the amount of \$81,815.00 plus HST. Although above the anticipated \$70,000 cost of the drilling the well, the higher amount is not surprising given the rising costs through out the construction industry.

The well is necessary to continue the EA process and without the additional capacity future development would not be able to proceed. Therefore, staff are recommending Council proceed with drilling the well at the cost of \$81,815.00 plus HST.

Two deposits have been requested from the two proposed developments in the Saltford area totally \$35,000 and will be required prior to the Township proceeding with drilling the well with the remaining applicable costs being captured through the development charges process.

### Others Consulted

Mark Becker, CAO

Thomas McCarthy, Public Works Superintendent

Ellen McManus, Treasurer

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Respectfully submitted,

Approved by:

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