COUNTY OF ST. PAUL NO. 19

Our Mission - To create desirable rural experiences

PW-7 Summer Road Maintenance Policy

Department: Public Works

POLICY OBJECTIVE:

The County of St. Paul desires to ensure that roadways are maintained to a standard that allows for safe passage.

POLICY STATEMENTS:

1.0 Criteria

1.1 The Director of Public Works or their designee, shall ensure that all County roads are inspected on a regular basis to determine, prioritize and correct maintenance requirements using the following criteria:

(a) Public safety;

(b) General condition of the existing road;

(c) Traffic volumes and type of traffic (includes compliance to applicable road standard for road designation; Arterial, Collector, Local, etc.);

(d) Traffic patterns and alternative roads available;

(e) Service for new development and growth strategies;

(f) Cost of maintenance; and

(g) Future road construction.

1.2 In general, the desired road grading maintenance schedule is as follows unless otherwise instructed:

(a) Arterial roads;

(b) Collector roads;

(c) Local roads; and

(d) Utility rights-of-way and alleyways.

2.0 Maintenance

2.1 Approaches will be constructed to a minimum width of 8 meters and, if necessary, will incorporate a minimum 400 mm galvanized culvert. Any variances

to the minimum standards set forth in this policy are at the discretion of County Council and/or administration.

2.2 Cold mix and asphalt roadways shall be inspected on an ongoing basis and repairs will be prioritized on a safety basis by the Director of Public Works or their designee, and completed as required given the budgetary restrictions allotted or Council approved (if expense is over budget).

2.3 Crack sealing on Asphalt Concrete Pavement roadways will be done as deemed necessary by Director of Public Works or their designee.

2.4 Emergency patching (cold mix and/or asphalt) will be undertaken on a case by case basis with the emphasis on preserving safety. A stockpile of patching material is always to be kept available.

2.5 Line painting will be evaluated on a yearly basis and repainting will be done when deemed necessary by the Director of Public Works or their designee. Painting will be done after crack sealing and patching whenever possible.

2.6 If no extraordinary condition (i.e.: potholes, washboards, ruts etc.) exists on roadways, routine maintenance will be performed on a planned route as deemed efficient by the Superintendent of Public Works, or designate, grader operator and/or patching foreman.

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