

**July 16, 2012**



## **City Council Committee Report**

**To: Mayor & Council**

**Fr: Richard Perchuk, Operations Manager**

**Re: Winnipeg River West Branch Bridge and Keewatin Channel Bridge**

### **Recommendation:**

**That** the Winnipeg River West Branch and Keewatin Channel Bridge works be tendered for rehabilitation work to be done in 2013.

### **Background:**

The City of Kenora has been working with Stantec Consulting on preparing a tender for rehabilitation works of the Winnipeg River West Branch and Keewatin Channel Bridges.

Stantec Consulting has written a letter dated July 11, 2012, expressing concern over the deteriorating condition of the bridge from when they first looked at the structure in 2010 to a site visit that was done in 2012.

Stantec has prepared separate tender documents for the joint replacements on the Keewatin bridge and rehabilitation of the Winnipeg River West Branch Bridge. The initial thought was that both projects would be tendered together for cost savings as both projects could be done at the same time with the same contractor. The city has had the project on hold pending funding approval with no set date for construction.

I have discussed the condition of the Winnipeg River West Branch Bridge with Genivar Consultants who are doing the bridge inspections this year. They support the need for repairs to the Winnipeg River West Branch Bridge due to the deteriorated condition of the concrete abutments and steel arch.  
(preliminary comments attached)

It is anticipated that the repair works will require nine (9) months minimum to complete. I would propose that this work be tendered this year so that work can be scheduled for construction to begin in April of 2013.

I would also recommend that both tenders for the Winnipeg River West Branch and Keewatin Channel Bridge Rehabilitation be done at the same time.

**Budget:** 2013 Capital

**Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:**

Resolution required.

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