THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MISSISSIPPI MILLS STAFF REPORT

DATE: August 10, 2021

TO: Committee of the Whole

FROM: Ken T. Kelly, Chief Administrative Officer

SUBJECT: Installation of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations Metcalfe Park

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to approve the amendment to the previous agreement with Ottawa River Energy Services to install an electric vehicle charging station at Metcalfe Park instead of the original location of 28 Mill Street Almonte.

BACKGROUND:

Natural Resources Canada (NRC) issued a call for applications for Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program Grants. Ottawa River Energy Services which is an affiliate company of Ottawa River Power Corporation, of which the Municipality is a shareholder, applied for this program and was successful in obtaining funding.

On September 17, 2019 Council adopted the following resolution.

Resolution No. 502-19 Moved by Councillor Maydan Seconded by Councillor Dalgity

THAT Council direct staff to enter into negotiations with Ottawa River Power Corporation and its affiliates to apply for funding to install vehicle charger stations within Almonte at locations to be determined.

The three locations that were put forward to NRC were:

- 1. 28 Mill Street former MRPC /ORPC office;
- 2. 155 High Street parking lot; and
- 3. 160 Bridge Street parking lot.



DISCUSSION:

The Municipality advised ORPC that it was considering selling the 28 Mill Street property and if there were any concerns. The two parking spots dedicated to the electric vehicle charging project were going to be severed and stay in municipal ownership.

ORPC has asked to move the 28 Mill Street allocation for the project to another location such as the Metcalf Geoheritage Park.

Staff have no objections to the move and Mississippi River Power Corporation as the maintenance provider for Metcalf Geoheritage Park supports the installation.

At the present time the two parking spots at 28 Mill Street have not been severed from the remaining lot containing 9 parking spots and the building. Staff are proposing that if Council agrees to moving the electric vehicle charging station to Metcalf Park that the two parking spots at 28 Mill Street not be severed and instead be offered to the purchaser for the equivalent of the cash in lieu of parking rate set at \$3000.00 per parking spot for a total of \$6000.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial impacts of this decision to move the parking spots.

If the purchaser of 28 Mill Street agrees to purchase the two parking spots it will result in additional revenue for the sale of that property.

SUMMARY:

Staff recommend that Council agree to shift the location of the electric vehicle charging station from 28 Mill Street to Metcalf Park and that the two parking spots not be severed from 28 Mill Street and instead be offered to the purchaser.

Respectfully submitted by,

Ken Kelly,

Chief Administrative Officer