



## **2024 Budget Request**

**Request: Portable Toilet Service Provider**

**Department: Community and Environmental Services**

**Request ID: CES2024BUDGET-O-01**

**Financial Ask: \$7,000**

**Funding Source: Operating**

This document and its attachments are public and available in an accessible format upon request.

### **Background and Strategic Priority**

The Township already employs portable toilets at boat launches, this request is to extend these services to parks that currently have aging washroom facilities.

### **Increase Available Community, Recreational and Social Opportunities**

The Township of Georgian Bluffs is committed to building community through investment in recreation and community centres, and flexible use of community centres and playgrounds.

Objectives:

Provide enhanced recreational opportunities for residents:

(d) Continually improve public/open spaces to ensure accessibility and safety.

Page 29 of the Township's Recreation and Trails Master Plan notes that "Accessibility and inclusivity is an important part of park design. Parks are typically a place for all, thus facilitating access for persons with disabilities and special needs is something to strive towards..."



The Township's Multi Year Accessibility Plan states "Through adoption of this Multi-Year Accessibility Plan, the Township of Georgian Bluffs renews its commitment to providing, to the greatest extent possible, municipal policies, services, programs, and facilities that are accessible to residents, ratepayers, and visitors of all abilities." The Plan also includes updating the washrooms at parks, specifically Cedar Hill and Centennial with accessible portable toilets.

## **Analysis**

The washroom facilities at Cedar Hill and Centennial Parks are outhouse style structures, wood sided buildings on top of a holding tank. There is no water or electricity servicing the building. The tanks are pumped as required, usually every 1-2 years. The doorways are narrow and the approach, specifically at Centennial Park, is on a hill which can make walking to and from the building difficult for some users.

Replacing these washrooms with an accessible portable toilet will provide a better option for park users. They can be placed in a more appropriate location and will meet the needs of all park users. The portable units will be placed during the operating season (May to October) and will be serviced once a week by the successful bidder of a request for tender for portable toilet services. They will also be routinely checked by staff to ensure cleanliness.

## **Financial Impact**

The Township is currently employing accessible portable toilets at boat launches for approximately \$215 per unit. \$7,000 would allow staff to expand this program and introduce more accessible portable toilets to busy parks to replace aging washroom infrastructure.



## Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Samantha Buchanan, Treasurer

Niall Loble, Director of Community Services



Photo 1: Back of bathroom





Photo 2: Inside of bathroom



Photo 3: Doors to bathroom





Photo 4: Outside of bathroom