



## BRIEFING NOTE

Date: June 3, 2015

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**TOPIC:** Museum Site Radar Scanning Project

**DIRECTED TO:** Community Services Committee and Council

**CONFIDENTIAL:** No

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### DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE

The purpose of this briefing note is to inform Council of the progress of a project with the Niagara College School of Environmental and Horticultural Studies to conduct gamma radar scanning of the museum site.

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### BACKGROUND

In response to Motion No. CS-2015-20 regarding proposed Niagara College Student Ground Radar survey of the Jordan Historical Museum site, staff met with Mr. Ian Smith on May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015. Mr. Smith will oversee the project with the students carrying out the work.

Mr. Smith indicated that he would proceed with planning for the project, and that he would bring forward a proposal by September of this year. He indicated that the entire site could be included in the scope of work. It is expected that the project could potentially commence by early spring of 2016.

At this time, there is no confirmed dollar amount associated with the project. The previously discussed amount of \$1,200 was based on costs four years ago in 2011 at a different sized site. Given that the project would be a not-for-profit venture benefitting both the Town and Niagara College, Mr. Smith will be approaching the equipment rental company to consider providing the equipment as a donation or at a suitably reduced rate.

Staff will follow up on Council's request that the Jordan Historical Museum of the Twenty Volunteer Association be approached for a contribution to the project once a final cost amount has been determined.

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### AVAILABLE OPTIONS/IMPLICATIONS

A report will be brought to Council once details of the project are received and implications for the 2016 budget can be considered.

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