

# Memo



Date: November 3, 2009  
File: 0550-01  
To: City Manager  
From: Jim Gabriel, Director of Recreation & Cultural Services  
Subject: Grant-In-Aid Request-2009 Veterans Dinner

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**Recommendation:**

THAT Council authorize a Grant-In-Aid to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 26 for \$705.08 to cover the rental charges at Parkinson Recreation Centre for their July 14, 2009, Veterans Dinner.

AND THAT the Grant-In-Aid be funded from the Council contingency.

**Background:**

The Royal Canadian Legion hosted their annual Veterans Dinner at Parkinson Recreation Centre on July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009. This event has been hosted at PRC since 2007. Prior to moving the event to PRC it had been hosted at the Legion over two nights. The move to PRC was beneficial in that the capacity of the venue allowed all the veterans to attend at one time versus the limited space at the Legion.

The event is an important program for the veterans as it allows them time to rekindle friendships, share stories, and let them know they are still honored by the community.

In the move to PRC, part of their revenue stream to cover expenses was a grant from the Veterans Association. Just after their event in 2009 they were advised that they no longer qualified for a grant from the Veterans Association as this grant was not for recurring events. As a result, the event had a deficit of \$1,813.72

The Royal Canadian Legion has requested relief in facility rental costs, which total \$705.08. The remainder of the deficit will be covered through the Legion's "general funds". Their planning for the 2010 event will need to take into account the loss of a grant from the Veterans Association.

**Internal Circulation:** General Manager, Citizen Services; Director, Financial Services

**Existing Policy:** Council Policy #58-Grant-In-Aid Funding Requests. This policy enables Council the opportunity to provide grants to pay for rental charges where the group is unable to raise the funds and the applicant serves a community need or purpose.

**Financial/Budgetary Considerations:**

A transfer from Council contingency will be required to fund the rental charges.

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Considerations not applicable to this report:

Legal/Statutory Authority:

Legal/statutory Procedural Requirements:

Personnel Implications:

Technical Requirements:

External Agency/Public Comments:

Communications Considerations:

Alternate Recommendation:

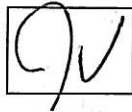
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