

Report to Council



Date: July 30, 2012
File: 0710-60
To: City Manager
From: Manager, Parks & Public Places
Subject: Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund (CIIF)

Recommendation:

THAT Council receives, for information, the report from the Manager, Parks & Public Places dated July 30, 2012, with respect to the Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund (CIIF).

AND THAT Council endorses the application to Western Economic Diversification for a \$250,000 CIIF grant to fund the Kelowna Family "Y" structural repairs.

Purpose:

To secure Council endorsement to support an application for grant funding.

Background:

On July 5, 2012, the Minister of State for Western Economic Diversification (WED) announced a new fund to support the capital renewal and enhancement of community facilities, such as local arenas, community centres, sports fields, and other public infrastructure. Staff has met the August 2, 2012 deadline for applications. WED, based on the short turn-around time for this application, will accept the mandatory supporting Council resolution during the evaluation period. Notification of funding success has been promised within 90 days of the deadline, therefore staff will be able to advise Council of the success of the application at the 2013 Budget Deliberations on December 13, 2012. Projects must be "shovel ready" to qualify for submission and completed by March 31, 2014. \$46,200,000 has been allocated to BC, AB, SK and MB over two years.

The Rutland Family "Y" is a major recreational facility for the City of Kelowna. The boiler room ceiling slab at the facility, built in 1980, has deteriorated to the point that it is no longer structurally sound. Currently the slab is safely shored up with temporary posts and beams. There is occupied space above that is contributing to the cost of this work. Preliminary design work and cost estimates are complete. Remediation would be completed in 2013. An application has been submitted for the maximum grant of \$250,000. This is the City's highest priority recreational building capital renewal project for 2013.

Internal Circulation:

Manager, Grants
Manager, Building Services

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Financial/Budgetary Considerations:

The submission for the \$850,000 in project funding will be provided for Council consideration in the 2013 Provisional Budget.

External Agency/Public Comments:

The Family "Y" supports the remedial work on the suspended structural slab and will work with the City to schedule the repairs. The "Y" is also submitting a grant application for interior enhancements including:

- Re-design the reception desk to improve functionality for staff and customers, and to replace worn-down existing desk;
- New lockers for main floor change rooms;
- Create a shaded outdoor fitness and play area to provide additional programming for growing customer base;
- Upgrade and reconfigure the existing men's and family change rooms to provide a larger family change room and replace aging tiles, benches, lockers, showers and washroom facilities;
- Provide additional lockers to serve customers not accessing the change rooms;
- Reconfigure the entrance to the two multi-purpose rooms so doors can be opened without blocking the hallway;
- Replace aging, inefficient light fixtures in the natatorium.

The City supports the "Y's" application with the provision that should only one application be awarded, the City's application will take priority.

Considerations not applicable to this report:

Legal/Statutory Authority:

Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements:

Existing Policy:

Personnel Implications:

Communications Comments:

Alternate Recommendation:

Submitted by:

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