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AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

To: Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board

And To: John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Adi Gurung, Regional Economic/Community Development Officer

Date of Meeting: Cariboo Regional District Board_Feb08_2019

File: 1855-04

Short Summary:

NDIT Application - Alexis Creek Outdoor Arena

Voting:

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

Memorandum:

For the Board's consideration, please find attached a project action plan and a draft of application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) from the Alexis Creek Community Club. The request is for \$30,000 in grant funding under the Community Halls and Recreation Facilities program.

The site of focus for this project is the Alexis Creek outdoor multipurpose arena. Years prior, the arena was used for tennis, badminton, ball hockey and other summer recreational purposes. Over the past years, the arena has lacked any major investment into maintaining or upgrading the structures on the site and as of 2018, it is only usable as a public ice rink for two to three months of the year. The objective of this project is to upgrade the current outdoor arena in order to make it usable year-round for recreation activities as well as develop it as an event hosting site to conduct differing community events.

Other funding for the project, which has a total value of \$420,000, is proposed to be provided by the Invest in Canada Infrastructure Program - Rural and Northern Communities Program (\$315,000), the Cariboo Regional District (\$20,000) as well as (\$55,000) to be raised through community fund raising and donations.

Prior to forwarding the proposal to the NDIT for Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) consideration, all applications to the Regional Development accounts require a resolution of support from the local government with jurisdiction in the project.

Attachments:

1. ACCC project plan - Alexis Creek Outdoor Arena Project
2. ACCC 2019 NDIT - Application Form (Draft)

Financial Implications:

None. Separate approvals are either complete or in progress for the Cariboo Regional District contribution to the project through the Grants for Assistance program and the Cariboo Strong allocation for the central Cariboo.

Policy Implications:

Policy No. 2017-3A-33 (Northern Development Initiative Trust Applications Policy) states:

That in the absence of knowledge of material legal, ethical, or other improprieties, the CRD will support all applications to the NDIT for funding, without regard to the project's merit.

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- ☐ Ensuring Sufficient and Sustainable Funding
- ☒ Building on our Relationships
- ☐ Providing Cost Effective High Quality Services
- ☐ Focusing on Being Well Governed

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CAO Comments:

I concur with the recommendation.

Options:

- 1) Receipt;
- 2) Receipt and endorsement of the recommendation;
- 3) Defer

Recommendation:

That the agenda item summary from Adi Gurung, Regional Economic/Community Development Officer, dated January 23, 2019, regarding a grant application from the Alexis Creek Community Club to the Northern Development Initiative Trust for \$30,000 in funding from the Community Halls and Recreation Facilities Program to repair and upgrade the Alexis Creek outdoor arena, be received. Further, that the application be supported.