

To: Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board And To: John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer From: Anthony Okechukwu, Regional Economic/Community Development Officer Date of Meeting: Cariboo Regional District Board\_Jul19\_2019 File: 1855-05

## **Short Summary:**

Alexandria Community Hall Community Works Funding (CWF) Electrical Upgrades Project and Enabling Agreement

# Voting:

Corporate Vote - Weighted

## **Memorandum:**

Please find attached a financial request from the Alexandria Community Hall Society, to the Cariboo Regional District. The request is up to \$20,000 for the energy efficiency upgrades project at the Alexandria Community Hall.

The funds will be used to replace and update the aging electrical system convert to LED within the hall, which is used by the larger Alexandria Community and currently hosts coffee mornings, community library and other various community events.

Because the community hall is not owned by the CRD, a contribution agreement between the Regional District and the Alexandria Community Hall Society is required for this project by UBCM under its Gas Tax Sharing Master Agreement with the federal government. Under the terms of the agreement, the community group is responsible for managing the project, maintaining financial records, reporting on measurable results and retaining ownership of the asset for a minimum of 10 years.

## **Attachments:**

- 1. CWF project request package for the Alexandria Community Hall Society
- 2. Request letter from the Alexandria Community Hall Society

## **Financial Implications:**

The proposal from the Alexandria Community Hall Society requests up to \$20,000 from the Community Hall Improvements envelope of the 2019 CWF program.

The Board approved the CWF funding schedule for 2019, including the Community Hall Improvements envelope which currently has a total of \$111,000 available. If this application

from the Alexandria Community Hall Society is approved, \$20,000 will be committed, leaving a balance of \$91,000 available for community hall projects.

## **Policy Implications:**

None. The Board approved the CWF funding schedule for 2019, including the Community Hall Improvements envelope. This project meets CWF criteria for the upgrade of electrical equipment for energy efficiency.

# Alignment with Strategic Plan:

Ensuring Sufficient and Sustainable Funding

- $\boxtimes$  Building on our Relationships
- □ Providing Cost Effective High Quality Services
- □ Focusing on Being Well Governed

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# **CAO Comments:**

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# **Options:**

1) Receipt; 2) Approval of the recommendation; 3) Defer

# **Recommendation:**

That the agenda item summary from Anthony Okechukwu, Regional Economic/Community Development Officer, dated July 9, 2019, regarding a proposal from the Alexandria Community Hall Society for energy efficiency upgrades at Alexandria Community Hall, be received. Further, that up to \$20,000 for the project be approved from the 2019 Community Hall Improvements envelope of the Community Works Fund and that the appropriate signatories be authorized to enter into the necessary contribution agreement.