

# **AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**



Date: 11/03/2020

To: North Cariboo Joint Advisory Committee

And To: John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Beth Holden, Regional Economic and Community Development Officer Date of Meeting: North Cariboo Joint Advisory Committee\_Nov10\_2020

**File:** 1855-04

## **Short Summary:**

NDIT Application – Bouchie Lake Outdoor Arena Upgrades 2021

## **Voting:**

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#### Memorandum:

For the North Cariboo Joint Committee's consideration, please find the attached application to Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) from the Cariboo Regional District. The request is for \$30,000 in grant funding under the Community Places Program. The program provides up to \$30,000 in funding, up to 70% of the total project cost, to support the creation, restoration and enhancement of community spaces that will improve amenities and enhance quality of life. The grant is a part of the \$51,084.48 project to upgrade the Bouchie Lake Outdoor Rink.

When this application was presented at the CRD Board meeting on October 23, 2020, the Board requested it go to the North Cariboo Joint Advisory Committee before submitting for CRD Board for approval.

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

#### **Attachments:**

NDIT Application Bouchie Lake Outdoor Rink Upgrade 2021, Bouchie Lake Rink Improvement Plan 2021 and community support letters

#### **Financial Implications:**

Matching funding required for the NDIT grant is allocated in the North Cariboo Recreation and Parks 2021 capital budget amounting to \$21,084. Up to \$35,000 is included for this project in the proposed capital plan and may be utilized if approved and the NDIT grant funding is unsuccessful.

## **Policy Implications:**

Recent discussion at the Regional District Board provided direction that NDIT applications for projects that fall under sub-regional recreation will be brought forward to the respective joint committee prior to going to the Regional District Board or City Council for ratification.

The recommendation is consistent with the North Cariboo Recreation and Parks function policy to seek external grant funding for projects whenever possible and appropriate.

CRD Board 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:**

	<b>Communication</b> : Facilitate communication strategies throughout the entire Cariboo Regional District that meet the needs of residents, community stakeholders, and other levels of government.
П	<b>Planning</b> : Intentionally plan services and activities of the CRD to prepare for future needs of

- residents and community stakeholders.
- ☑ Economic Sustainability: Foster an environment to ensure the economic sustainability of CRD communities and the region.
- Governance: Ensure that CRD governance policy and practices are intentional, transparent, and respectful.

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#### **CAO Comments:**

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## **Options:**

- 1) Endorsement of recommendation;
- 2) Receipt and other action at direction of North Cariboo Joint Advisory Committee;
- 3) Defer

#### **Recommendation:**

That the agenda item summary from Beth Holden, Regional Economic & Community Development Officer, dated November 3, 2020, regarding the application to Northern Development Initiative Trust for \$30,000 in funding from the Community Spaces Program for upgrades to the Bouchie Lake Outdoor Rink, be received. Further, that the grant application be submitted as attached. And further, that the appropriate signatories be authorized to enter into the necessary agreements, should the grant application be successful.