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To: Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board

And To: Murray Daly, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Kathie Vilkas, Regional Economic Community Development Officer

Date of Meeting: Cariboo Regional District Board_Feb28_2025

File: 1855-04

Short Summary:

NDIT Application – Likely & District Chamber of Commerce – Preserving the Gold Rush History of Likely, BC

Voting:

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

Memorandum:

For the Cariboo Regional District Board's consideration, please find attached an application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) from the Likely & District Chamber of Commerce. The request is for \$20,784 in funding under the Community Places stream to revitalize and enhance the historical and heritage displays within the Cedar Point Park area to preserve local history by connecting to regional and provincial history and improve the physical appearance, character and natural environment of the community.

Funding support for this project, which has a total value of \$29,691.24, is anticipated to come from Northern Development (\$20,784), Cariboo Regional District (\$5,000), Cedar Point Park (\$1,000) and contractor donations (\$2,907.24).

Prior to forwarding the application to NDIT for the Regional Advisory Committee's consideration, all Regional Development Account applications require a resolution of support from the local government within the jurisdiction.

Attachments:

NDIT Application – Preserving the Gold Rush History of Likely, BC

Financial Implications:

The Cariboo Regional District contribution of \$5,000 is allocated in the 2025 Central Cariboo Economic Development financial plan and as a 2025 Business Plan goal for the function.

Policy Implications:

Cariboo Regional District Policy No. 2017-3A-33 (Northern Development Initiative Trust Application Policy) states: In the absence of knowledge of material legal, ethical, or other improprieties, the CRD will support all applications to the NDIIT for funding, without regard to the project's merit.

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- Infrastructure and Asset Management:** To establish a systematic, predictable approach to managing the regional district's assets and infrastructure that builds on current asset management data and condition assessments.
- Enhanced Communications and Engagement:** To build trust and credibility of the regional district by enhancing our communications and engagement with citizens, stakeholders, and volunteers.
- Effective and Responsive Land Use Planning and Development:** To ensure our land use planning and development is responsive to future growth and housing needs, anticipates risks and hazards associated with climate change and provides efficient and consistent processes for landowners and developers.
- Relationships with First Nations:** To foster a healthy and inclusive region by building and strengthening our relationships with First Nations and embracing the principles of reconciliation.

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Options:

1. Endorse recommendation;
2. Other action at the direction of the Board;
3. Defer.

Recommendation:

That the Likely & District Chamber of Commerce grant application to Northern Development Initiative Trust's Community Places stream for \$20,784 to revitalize and enhance the historical and heritage displays within the Cedar Point Park area be supported for submission.