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To: Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board

And To: Murray Daly, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Darron Campbell, Manager of Community Services

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Short Summary:

100 Mile Nordics Ski Society Community Works Funding (CWF) solar panel project and enabling agreement.

Voting:

Corporate Vote – Weighted

Memorandum:

The 100 Mile Nordics Ski Society has requested a Community Works Funding contribution of up to \$45,000 to support a \$62,240 project to install solar panels at their 99 Mile Cross Country Ski Trails facility.

The proposed solar panel project is also eligible for a BC Hydro rebate of up to \$10,000 and the ski club will be pursuing that funding as well.

It is expected that the 50 - 505W solar PV panels, which are a combination roof-top and ground-mount system will produce energy of about 27,500 kWh annually, approximately enough to cover all power requirements for the facility. Any electricity reduction will help the ski club to lower the carbon footprint of the facility as well as free up funds for other projects.

Because the facility is not owned by the CRD, a contribution agreement between the Regional District and the 100 Mile Nordics 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) Request letter from the 100 Mile Nordics
- 2) 100 Mile Nordics CWF project information package

Financial Implications:

The proposal from the 100 Mile Nordics requests up to \$45,000 from the Community Hall and Recreation Facilities Energy Efficiency and Water Conservation envelope of the 2026 CWF program.

The Board approved the CWF funding schedule for 2026, including the Community Hall and Recreation Facilities Energy Efficiency and Water Conservation envelope which has a total of \$350,000 initially available. If this application from the 100 Mile Nordics is approved, \$45,000 will be committed, leaving a remaining balance of \$235,000 available for other eligible community hall projects.

Policy Implications:

None. The Board approved the CWF funding schedule for 2026, including the Community Hall and Recreation Facilities Energy Efficiency and Water Conservation envelope.

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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Recommendation:

That the request from the 100 Mile Nordics Ski Society for up to \$45,000 for the installation of solar panels at the 99 Mile Cross Country Ski Trails facility be approved from the 2026 Community Hall and Recreation Facilities Energy Efficiency and Water Conservation envelope of the Community Works Fund, and that the appropriate signatories be authorized to enter into the necessary contribution agreement.