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REPORT FOR CONSIDERATION

- TO: Chair and Directors File No.: COM 8.3, REC 2.3 FROM: Cindy Paton, Manager of Community Services DATE: July 3, 2025 SUBJECT Community Grant-In-Aid and Recreation Grant - Electoral Area D (Tabor Lake-Stone Creek) SUMMARY: Purpose: Grant Approval Attachments: 1. Grant Schedule 2. Grant Applications 3. Policy RD-19-20 Previous Reports: None ENTITLEMENT HOW VOTE **RECOMMENDATION(S):**
- COUNTED All Majority 1. THAT the report dated July 3, 2025, Grant Schedule and associated grant 1 Director/1 vote application forms for Electoral Area D, be received for information. All Majority 2. THAT the Grants for Electoral Area D, as listed in the July Grant Schedule, 1 Director/1 vote attached to the report dated July 3, 2025, be approved. All 2/3 Maiority 3. THAT Paragraph No. 8 (b) of Policy RD-19-20 'Recreation Grants' be waived for 1 Director/1 vote the issuance of the Recreation Grant, as listed in the July Grant Schedule for Electoral Area D.

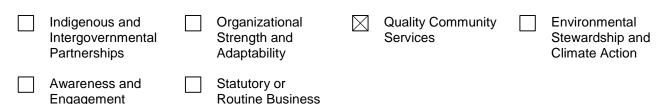
ISSUE(S):

The July Grant Schedule details the requests received for a Community Grant-In-Aid and a Recreation Grant for Electoral Area D (Tabor Lake-Stone Creek). Grants have been requested by the organizations listed on the July Grant Schedule. The Board is being asked to consider approving the July Grant Schedule and to waive the requirement of Policy RD-19-20 for the Recreation Grant, which allows a cheque to be issued without the requirement of submitting receipts.

RELEVANT POLICIES:

- 1. Community Grants-In-Aid Policy RD-16-20:
 - provides financial assistance to community groups or organizations for the purpose of benefiting the community.
- 2. Recreation Grants Policy RD-19-20:
 - provides financial assistance to Recreation Commissions for recreation programs, services and facilities including educational, cultural, social and athletic activities, and insurance expenses.
- 3. Fraser-Fort George Recreational Program Establishment Bylaw No. 2088, 2003:
 - bylaw that allows for the provision of recreational services.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT:



SERVICE RELEVANCE:

The Regional District's current Community Grants-In-Aid program derives its authority from the *Local Government Act*. The purpose of these functions is to provide financial assistance to community groups or organizations which, in the opinion of the Regional District, provide a benefit to the community.

The Recreation function was established in 1975 to assist community associations in electoral areas to provide recreation within their program boundaries. The current participants in the Recreation service are Electoral Areas A, C, D, E, and F. In 2005, Bylaw No. 2203 was adopted which amended the funding formula to each electoral area to fund its own programs exclusively.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

The 2025 budgets for Community Grants-In-Aid Electoral Area D and Recreation Grants Electoral Area D have sufficient funds to support these expenditures.

OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

This grant is being shared between Electoral Areas D and F.

If the Board does not wish to provide one or more of the grants listed, a motion to amend the Schedule prior to voting on approval of the Schedule would be in order.

DECISION OPTIONS:

- 1. Approve recommendations:
 - grants will be provided per the schedule
 - organizations will receive grant funds without providing receipts

Other Options:

- a. do not approve July Grant Schedule
 - organizations do not receive funding
- b. do not waive the requirements of Policy RD-19-20
 - · organization must provide receipts in order to receive grant funds

COMMENTS:

These grant requests meet the requirements of Community Grants-In-Aid Policy RD-16-20 and Recreation Grants Policy RD-19-20. The waiving of receipts allows for the organization to receive their funds immediately without submitting any paperwork.

Respectfully submitted,

"Cindy Paton"

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