

COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor and Council

From: Administration

Date: May 16, 2023

Subject: Minor Lacrosse – In-Kind Request

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council approves the in-kind request from the Mackenzie Minor Lacrosse Association to cover the arena rental fees for the tournament that was held May 13-14, 2023, as recommended by the Grant Adjudication Committee;

AND THAT Council consider directing staff to review the Community Grants Policy 1.26, the Recreation Services Rates and Fees Policy 8.1, and Recreation Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 1469, exploring a solution for providing non-profit societies with equitable in-kind or financial support for use of the Recreation Centre facilities.

BACKGROUND:

The community grants program supports non-profit organizations by providing financial and in-kind support to community organizations. The community grant program has two in-take periods, September 15th of the preceding year and March 15th of the current year. As the March 15th in-take has passed, a special request is being brought forward from the Mackenzie Minor Lacrosse Association.

The Mackenzie Minor Lacrosse Association is requesting an in-kind grant to cover the rental fees for the tournament that was held May 13-14, 2023 at the Rec Centre. The rental fees were \$301.32 for the weekend.

The Grant Adjudication Committee has indicated that they would support this request, however; is also recommending a review of District fee policies for non-profit groups to ensure fairness in requests similar to this going forward.

Alternative Option:

THAT Council deny this request.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

2023 Budget **\$62,000.00**

Total approved for September 15, 2022 first in-take	\$14,967.60
Ad hoc approvals	\$ 2,000.00
<i>Mackenzie Secondary School Bursary (\$500)</i>	
<i>MSS Dry Grad (\$1,500)</i>	
Total approved for March 15, 2023 second in-take	\$11,375.17
Ad hoc request	
<i>Mackenzie Minor Lacrosse Association</i>	\$ 301.32

Budget Remaining **\$33,355.91**

COUNCIL PRIORITIES:

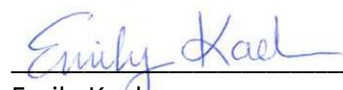
Community and Social Development

- Our investment in the municipality's services and infrastructure, our commitment to principles of social equity and well-being, and our belief in the value of resident engagement, creates a healthy community in which everyone feels valued and enjoys a high quality of life.

Strong Governance and Finances

- As the municipality's elected governing body, we serve all residents and businesses in the community. We engage residents and stakeholders on important issues and make our decisions through open and transparent processes. We are careful in our use of resources, mindful of the need to maintain programs and services, while also meeting the community's infrastructure needs.

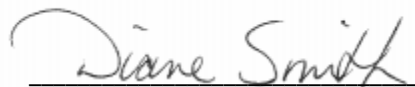
Respectfully Submitted,



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Director of Corporate Services



Kerri Borne
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Approved for Submission to Council