

COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor and Council

From: Administration

Date: June 20, 2023

Subject: Infrastructure Planning Grant Application

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council supports the application to the Provincial Government for the Infrastructure Planning Grant for up to \$15,000 towards facility condition assessments and data collection;

AND THAT Council authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the grant application and any related documentation.

BACKGROUND:

This report seeks the support of the Council in pursuing an Asset Management Infrastructure Grant for our community. The grant will provide crucial funding for enhancing and maintaining our vital infrastructure assets, ensuring their long-term sustainability and efficient management.

The Asset Management Infrastructure Grant, offered by the Provincial Government, is a competitive funding program aimed at supporting local municipalities in planning for the upgrading and maintaining of their infrastructure assets. The grant provides financial assistance for the implementation of asset management plans and projects.

In 2023, the District completed two facility condition assessments at the Mackenzie Recreation Centre and Municipal Office and is integrating the results into its asset management program. Staff are proposing to conduct 2-3 more condition assessments on remaining buildings using the Infrastructure Planning Grant. The 2023 costs were roughly \$5,000 per building. The total project budget for the condition assessments is \$15,000 with a grant funding scheme of 100% for the first \$5,000 and 50% for the next \$10,000. The condition assessments would be completed in 2024.

Importance of the Assessments:

Long-Term Cost Savings: By proactively managing our assets, we can prevent costly emergency repairs and extend the lifespan of our infrastructure. This approach will lead to significant long-term cost savings for the community.

Sustainable Development: Through this grant, we can prioritize sustainable infrastructure practices, such as implementing energy-efficient systems, adopting green technologies, and promoting environmentally friendly initiatives.

Compliance with Regulations: The grant will assist us in meeting regulatory requirements for asset management, ensuring that our community remains in compliance with provincial guidelines and standards.

REQUEST FOR SUPPORT:

To secure the Asset Management Infrastructure Grant, we require the Council's support. We kindly request your endorsement of our application, which will be submitted to the Provincial Government by July 12, 2023.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

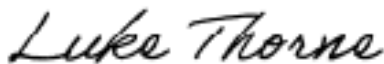
\$5,000 would be allocated from the 2024 general government operating budget.

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.

Respectfully Submitted,



Luke Thorne
Land and Environmental Coordinator



Kerri Borne
Chief Financial Officer



Approved for Submission to Council