



REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: **Mayor van den Broek and Councillors**

Subject UBCM Community Child Care Planning Program

Report #: 18-52

File #: 4710.00

From: Karlo Tamondong
Recreation Supervisor

Doc #:

Date: November 28, 2018

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council endorse the application for funding under the UBCM Community Child Care Planning Program.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to seek a resolution from Council in support of the application for funding from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Community Child Care Planning Program.

POLICY:

N/A

COMMENTS/ANALYSIS:

The Community Child Care Planning Program will provide funding for local governments to engage in child care planning activities in order to develop a community child care space creation action plan.

The BC Ministry of Children and Family Development is earmarking \$2.85 million for the Community Child Care Planning Program. Under the program, eligible projects can receive up to \$25,000. The program is administered by the Union of BC Municipalities.

Through partnerships and engagement, all funded projects will collect information regarding the child care needs of the community; create an inventory of existing child care spaces; identify space creation targets over the next 10 years; and identify actions that can be taken to meet those space creation targets.

The information gathered through these plans will be shared with the BC Ministry of Children and Family Development, and may inform future investments in child care space creation that the Government of British Columbia may provide Langley City through programs such as the Child Care BC New Spaces Fund. Please note that completion of a community child care space creation action plan does not guarantee future space creation funding.

Child Care is an important need in Langley City, this project will help create a Langley City's Child Care Development Action Plan to help guide Langley City Staff and Langley Child Care Service providers to address child care needs and issues.

The Langley City's Child Care Development Action Plan aims to achieve collaborative, partnership-based child care solutions with government, private and non-profit community services sector partners to support a child care vision for the betterment of Langley City's children and families. This action plan will explore and identify issues and build opportunities for further actions.

This is an action oriented work plan which seeks to synthesize the findings through qualitative data, community engagement, gap analysis and surveys. In addition, this plan will create a framework to deliver a Langley City Child Care policy, and provide recommendations for implementation of child care spaces in Langley City.

The deadline for this application is January 18, 2019.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

None.

ALTERNATIVES:

For Council not to endorse the UBCM Community Child Care Planning Program application.

SUMMARY:

The UBCM Community Child Care Planning Program is an opportunity to fund an action oriented work plan which seeks to synthesize the findings through qualitative data, community engagement, gap analysis and surveys as it relates to child care in Langley City. In addition, this plan will create a framework to deliver a Langley City Child Care policy, and provide recommendations for implementation of child care spaces in Langley City.

Respectfully Submitted,



Karlo Tamondong
Recreation Supervisor

Concurrence:



Kim Hilton
Director of Recreation, Culture and Community
Services

Attachments:

1. Community Child Care Planning Program – 2019 Program and Application Guide
2. Community Child Care Planning Program – Langley City 2019 Application Form.
3. Community Child Care Planning Program – Proposed Detailed Budget.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S COMMENTS:

I support the recommendation.



Francis Cheung, P. Eng.
Chief Administrative Officer