

REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: Mayor and Councillors

Subject: City Park Infrastructure Grant Application

From: Rick Bomhof, P.Eng. Director of Engineering, Parks & Environment File #: 5700.00 Doc #:

Date: December 18, 2018

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. THAT a grant application be submitted under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program for the City Park Field Upgrade project north of the 207 Street parking lot, and;
- That Council support the project and agrees to commit to the City's share of \$400,005 of the project.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the report is to request Council support of the City's application for grant funding for upgrades to playfields at City Park.

POLICY:

N/A

COMMENTS/ANALYSIS:

The federal and provincial governments recently announced a new grant opportunity available to local governments. The grant is part of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program which focusses on projects in three areas namely Community, Culture & Recreation; Rural and Northern Communities Infrastructure; and Green Infrastructure. The City's application would fall under the Community Culture & Recreation component. A Council resolution is required as part of the application and



the above recommendation wording is the prescribed wording provided in the application package.

The project recommended for the grant is the City Park Field Upgrade Project as identified within the City Park Master Plan. The project consists of upgrading the passive grass space north of the City Park main parking lot including improvement to the grass field to bring it up to class 'A' standard and the installation of 4 ball diamonds for entry level ball. Other improvements include a new entry to the park from 206 Street and pathway improvements. The project area is shown highlighted below as phase 4.



Phase		
Α	Baseball Park Facility Replacement	
1	New Walkway and Retaining Wall	
2	Grass Field Renovation	
3	Expanded & Enhanced Splash Park	
4	New Sand Based Field & Park Entrance	
5	Expanded & Enhanced Playground	
6	New Grass Fields & Fenced Off-Leash Dog Are	
7	Reconfigured Parking Lot & New Play Area	
8	Lacrosse Box Roof and New Parking Areas	
9	Optional Future Parking Lot	



BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

The project is estimated to cost \$1,500,000 and is budgeted in 2020 in the draft 2019 – 2023 financial plan. Possible grant funding is 73.33% of the project cost. If the grant is not approved the project would be deferred unless additional capital funds are allocated. Breakdown of the proposed budget is as follows:

Funding Source	Budget	
Grant	\$1,099,995	
DCC Parks	\$198,000	
Casino Proceeds	\$202,005	
Total	\$1,500,000	

ALTERNATIVES:

Defer project and don't apply for funding.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rick Bomhof, P.Eng. Director of Engineering, Parks & Environment

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S COMMENTS:

I support the recommendation.

Francis Cheung, P. Eng. Chief Administrative Officer

