

Horizon Stage equipment lifecycle plan

Community & Protective Services - Cultural Services
Departmental - Capital

Plan Cycle: 2015-2017
Status: Executive Review
SLT Priority:

Initiative Start: January 2015

Initiative End: December 2015

Executive Summary:

In order to effectively augment the current audio and lighting systems so they will last longer and perform better, backup consoles and upgrades are required. Expansion of our wireless communication system will add value to existing resources and improve the theatre's ability to provide exceptional products for renters in a safe manner. Parkland County will be requested to pay half of the cost.

Business Need:

To manage the lifecycle of capital equipment, and be aware of the need to replace or upgrade as systems age. Technology for touring artists is changing, and our system is falling behind.

Business Outcome:

By ensuring that all audio and lighting consoles are up-to-date and have proper backup, Horizon Stage is able to provide a high-quality experience for all audience members and renters. The maintenance of current systems and addition of new components ensures the viability of the venue as an exceptional place for arts and culture in the region. By upgrading the wireless communication system, we will be able to provide better communication between all technical personnel (backstage and in the booth) as shows become more complicated, and in a safe manner.

Measures Of Success:

If a backup system is in place, success will be measured by our ability to produce shows without interruption. The new audio console will allow us to run more complicated performances without needing to rent additional equipment. Wireless communications for technical support will provide better communication between backstage and the booth, and allow backstage personnel to perform their duties without being tethered by cords, thus eliminating a safety hazard.

Drivers For Change:

- Competitiveness
- Efficiency
- Resources
- Technology

Related Strategic Goal:

A leading leisure, recreation and sports community.

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Constraints:

Under the Cost Share Agreement between Spruce Grove and Parkland County, we will request that Parkland share the capital cost at 50%.

Dependencies:

None

Impact If Approved:

Keeping Horizon Stage current and competitive is essential if we are going to continue to promote arts and culture in the City of Spruce Grove. Having appropriate technological systems in place ensures that we can attract high-quality performers to the region. It also ensures that local groups can continue to keep their performances in their community, and not have to take them to Edmonton.

Impact If Not Approved:

If a decreased quality in our technology support systems is perceived by touring artists and renters, they will begin to decline invitations to perform or take their performances to other theatres in the area. The need to rent additional equipment, costing not only dollars but large amounts of staff time, will only increase as time goes on and shows become more elaborate. If Parkland County does not contribute, we may be able to purchase only one or two of the items rather than the entire package.

Alternatives:

None

Initiative Costs:

	2015	Total
Equipment Purchase	\$37,000	\$37,000
Total	\$37,000	\$37,000

Funding:

	2015	Total
Government Transfers	\$18,500	\$18,500
Total	\$18,500	\$18,500

Costs / Funding Notes:

Lighting console back-up \$10,000
 Audio console \$9,000
 Wireless communication system expansion \$18,000.
 Parkland County will be requested to pay 50%

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Effort:

	2015	Total
Asset Management	5	5
Cultural Services	50	50
Finance	3	3
Total	58	58