



June 22, 2016

Parkland County Mayor and Council
53109A HWY 779
Parkland County, AB, Canada, T7Z 1R1

Re: Arena Assessment Cost Sharing

Mayor and Council,

Please find enclosed a copy of the Arena Assessment proposal and professional services agreement with Stantech Engineering regarding the arena assessment discussed during the last joint council meeting between Parkland County and the Village of Wabamun.

In his April 13 email, your General Manager of Community Services, Ken Van Buul, suggested that Parkland County will consider a request for cost sharing on an assessment. Since that time we have been working with Dave Cross to secure a company to complete the assessment that would be satisfactory to the County. As Stantech was already in the midst of working on your Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan as well as working on a facility review we felt that Stantech was in good position to complete this assessment and would reduce the need for duplication of data gathering.

As such we have engaged Justin Ellis and Stantech to complete the assessment our Councils spoke of. The estimated costs of this assessment are \$48,757.10 plus GST. At this time, as per Mr. Van Buul's email and previous discussions, we are asking the Parkland County Council to consider cost sharing this assessment on a 50/50 basis.

Both councils recognize the importance of the arena to our residents as well as some of the challenges the village faces in its operation. It is felt that the assessment should give both councils a clear indication of the following:

- Who uses the arena currently?
- Is there a need for the arena locally and regionally?
- Who might use the arena in the future?
- Building on the earlier facility condition assessment completed by Stantec, what are the current conditions of the facility including the ice plant and associated systems?
- Has the facility reached the end of its useful and functional life? If not, what are the potential repair costs and timelines?
- If so, what are the order of magnitude replacement costs?

While the arena is located in the village we all recognize that is very much a regional use facility. We appreciate the partnerships we share with Parkland County and its Council and would ask that you give due consideration to our request to cost share this assessment so that both our councils may use this information to make the best decisions for our rate payers moving forward.

We thank you in advance for your consideration of this request and wish you all the best in your deliberations.

Sincerely,

Shawn Patience, CLGM, CLUP
CAO
Village of Wabamun

Encl.
Stantech Assessment Proposal
Stantech Professional Services Agreement

Cc - Ken Van Buul, General Manager, Community Services
Cc - Dave Cross, Manager - Community and Protective Services