



Request for Decision

Council Meeting Date: November 8, 2011

Topic:

Spruce Grove – Capital Cost Share Requests

Administrative Recommendation:

That Council approve funding of up to \$26,400.00 from Restricted Surplus - Recreation Facilities for the following capital upgrades at the Spruce Grove Agrena:

1. Lighting replacement in the Grant Fuhr Arena;
2. Flooder room retrofit and upgrade
3. New ice plant software

Background:

Parkland County has received Capital Cost Sharing requests (Attachments #1 – Agrena Capital Cost Share Request) for the following projects:

1. Lighting replacement in the Grant Fuhr Arena – Metal Halide fixtures will be replaced with T-8 High Intensity Fluorescent Lighting resulting in improved light quality, lower energy costs, elimination of light warm up period and increased ceiling clearance.

Project Cost: \$30,000 County Share: \$7,200

2. Flooder room retrofit and upgrade - Concrete floor has deteriorated resulting in an uneven, cracked surface. The snow dump needs to be upgraded as the access procedure currently used for dumping is unsafe. These upgrades will address the floor issues and safety concerns regarding snow dumping.

Project Cost: \$55,000 County Share: \$13,200

3. Ice plant software – The current software program is outdated and an updated version is required.

Project Cost: \$25,000 County Share: \$6,000

4. Electronic events board sign – The installation of an electronic board sign will help generate a higher level of community awareness around games/events occurring at the Agrena.

Project Cost: \$100,000 County Share: \$24,000

As per the cost share agreements with our urban partners operational cost share is based the percentage of County residents using facilities. In accordance with previous practice, capital cost share is also based on the percentage of County residents using the facilities. The current agreements state "Parkland County may or may not cost share, at its sole discretion, on part or all of any capital request. Priority will be placed on necessary replacement of machinery and equipment, as well as necessary upgrading of existing

facilities and will be considered on an individual basis". Past practice has resulted in Parkland County cost sharing on projects which benefit all users of the facility.

Administration has reviewed the projects and believes that Projects 1, 2 and 3 meet the criteria for capital cost sharing. Project 4, the electronic sign, is not believed to serve the residents of Parkland which use the facility and does not warrant cost sharing. Using the current usage rate of 24% Parkland County's contribution for Projects 1,2 and 3 would be \$26,400. The City of Spruce Grove will be required to submit final accounting of the actual costs upon completion, which will then determine the final amount Parkland County will contribute.

IMPLICATION OF DECISION

Financial Implications:

Cost	Source of Funds
\$26,400.00	Restricted Surplus – Recreation Facilities

Policy and/or Legislative Implications:

N/A

Alternative Options:

1. Not approve Capital Cost Share Request.
2. Cost Share at a rate different from the 24% Usage Rate.

Attachment:

1. Request

REVIEWED AND APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION TO COUNCIL

Report Author:



Date: October 14, 2011

Manager – Financial
Services:



Date: Oct 17/11

Department Manager:



Date: Oct 18, 2011

General Manager:



Date: Oct 18/11

Chief Administrative
Officer:



Date: Oct 18, 2011



May 27, 2011



Mr. Dave Cross
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Dear Dave:

RE: 2012 Capital Cost Share – Spruce Grove Agrena

As per our telephone conversation please accept this letter as a conditional request from the City of Spruce Grove for Capital Cost Share for the following project at the Spruce Grove Agrena:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Total Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Cost Share Portion – 24%</u>
• Electronic Events Board	\$100,000	\$24,000
• Replace Main Lighting in the Grant Fuhr Arena	30,000	7,200
• Upgrade and Retrofit Flooder Room	55,000	13,200
• New Software Program for Ice Plant	25,000	6,000
Estimated Totals	\$210,000	\$50,400

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this project Dave. Thank you for considering our request, and we look forward to hearing from you.

Yours truly,

Ken Luck
Director of FCSS/Recreation

C: David Turner, General Manager, Community & Protective Services
Glen Jarbeau, Director of Finance
Ken Van Buul, Manager, Community & Protective Services

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