

# Staff Report to Council

Title: 2024 Recommended Community

**Investment Grant Allocations** 

**Director:** Corporate Services **Manager:** Legislative Services

**Meeting Date:** 

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

Date to be considered by Council:

Report Number: Legislative Services-2024-09

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#### Recommendation:

That Council approve the Community Investment Grant allocation as recommended by the Community Investment Grant Committee.

# **Executive Summary:**

The Community Investment Grant Committee has met to develop recommendations on the allocation of the budgeted funds as per By-law No. 2023-110, Community Investment Grant Policy. The Committees recommendations are attached.

## **Strategic Priorities:**

C.11-Create improvements in inclusion, diversity, equity and access

C.10-Support arts, culture and heritage to enrich the lives of residents and attract visitors

#### **Financial Considerations:**

2024 Municipal Budget includes \$69,000 for Community Investment Grants. The team is recommending an allocation of \$67,950. The remaining \$1,050 can be granted if future requests are submitted and approved.

## Policy:

By-law No. 2023-110, Community Investment Grant Policy

## **Context and Background Information:**

In accordance with By-law No. 2023-110, Community Investment Grant Policy, the Community Investment Grant Committee met to review the applications and recommend funding allocations for 2024. The Committee consists of Deputy Mayor Clarke, Councillor Kennedy and Councillor Steinhoff-Gray. Staff support is provided by the Director of Corporate Services Roxana Baumann, Director of Community Services Jayne Jagelewski, Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk Jennifer Lawrie, and Legislative Services Administrative Assistant Nicole Bauman. The 2024 budget for the Community Investment Grant is \$69,000 and is allocated as follows:

- \$25,000 to youth sports to be distributed in the fall as per the Youth Sports Formula.
- \$44,000 for the remaining applicants.

Applications were assessed in alignment with the Municipality's Corporate Strategic Plan, contribution to the quality of life and sustainability in the community, cost effectiveness, financial viability, cooperative cost-sharing projects, past demonstrated fiscal responsibility of the application, and community involvement.

#### **Consultation Overview:**

Community Investment Grant Committee has met to determine allocations for the 2024 Community Investment Grant as per By-law No. 2023-110, Community Investment Grant Policy.

# Origin:

2024 Municipal Budget

## **Implementation Considerations:**

Grant funds must be spent as per application. An accountability statement is required at the end of the year. If the project is delayed or the Organization feels that the funds can be better utilized in a different capacity, they must notify the Community Investment Grant Committee in writing.

#### **Risk Analysis:**

N/A

**Attachments:** Recommended Allocation Spreadsheet

Community Investment Grant Policy By-law No. 2023-110

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