

CORPORATE REPORT

To: CAO for the Electoral Area Services Committee From: Kristy Hodson, Manager of Financial Operations Date: 2019-11-14 File No: 1850-20/003

Subject: 2019 Grant-In-Aid Request – Sunshine Valley Ratepayers Association, Electoral Area "B"

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$1,550 to the Sunshine Valley Ratepayers Association, funded from the 2019 Electoral Area "B" grant-in-aid budget, to help offset the costs of training for new volunteer Board members to help them understand their roles and responsibilities.

STRATEGIC AREA(S) OF FOCUS

Support Healthy & Sustainable Community

BACKGROUND

This request for funding is eligible under the Electoral Area grant-in-aid policy under the "Activities/ programs which are accessible to a large portion of the electoral area".

DISCUSSION

The Sunshine Valley Ratepayers Association is a non-profit organization representing citizens from the Sunshine Valley. They promote community education, sustainable public programs and community-based events for anyone to participate in.

A grant-in-aid was issued previously in 2019 for \$11,200 to help offset the costs of equipment rental for river cleanup, community garden beds, a community composter, hosting a Canada Day celebration, website migration, and hosting Heritage Day.

This course has 30 seats available, and Director Adamson has confirmed that it is likely they will be able to fill all of these seats.

Director Adamson is in support of providing a grant-in-aid of \$1,550 to the Sunshine Valley Ratepayers Association.

COST

The \$1,550 cost will be funded from the Electoral Area "B" grant-in-aid budget which has sufficient funds to support this re quest.

CONCLUSION

A grant-in-aid application has been received from the Sunshine Valley Ratepayers Association seeking support for new Board member training.

COMMENTS BY:

Mike Veenbaas, Director of Financial Services

Reviewed and supported.

Jennifer Kinneman, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Reviewed and supported.