To: Electoral Area Services Committee

From: Kristy Hodson, Manager of Financial Operations

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File No: 1850-20/009

Subject: Grant-in-Aid Request – Boston Bar North Bend Enhancement Society, Electoral Area "E"

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board approve a grant-in-aid to the Boston Bar North Bend Enhancement Society in the amount of $2,000 to be funded from the 2018 Electoral Area "A" grant-in-aid budget to assist with the costs of publishing the community newsletter.

STRATEGIC AREA(S) OF FOCUS

Support Environmental Stewardship

BACKGROUND

This grant application meets the eligibility requirements under the "Promotion of volunteer participation and citizen involvement" and "Activities/ programs which are accessible to a large portion of the electoral area" options of the Electoral Area Grant-In-Aid policy.

DISCUSSION

The Boston Bar / North Bend Enhancement Society is a local group of volunteers dedicated to making their town a great place to live. They deliver a wide range of community based services along with operating a number of community facilities.

The Society is requesting a $2,000 grant-in-aid to assist with the costs of publishing the community newsletter. This is a monthly newsletter that acts very much like a community newspaper based on the information provided.

Director Raymond is in support of this grant-in-aid request.

COST

The $2,000 cost will be funded from the Electoral Area "A" grant-in-aid budget which has sufficient funds to support this request.

CONCLUSION

The Boston Bar North Bend Enhancement Society has submitted a grant in aid application seeking funds to help with the production of the Boston Bar North Bend Community Newsletter, a free newsletter providing local information on activities, programs and news.

COMMENTS BY:

Mike Veenbaas, Director of Financial Services

Reviewed and supported.

Paul Gipps, Chief Administrative Officer

Unavailable for comment.