

CORPORATE REPORT

To: Electoral Area Services Committee From: Melanie Jones, Accountant Date: 2024-04-11 File No: 1850-20

Subject: 2024 Grant-In-Aid Request – Cultus Lake Park Community Events and Engagement Committee, Electoral Area H

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$4,000 to the Cultus Lake Park Community Events and Engagement Committee, funded from the 2024 Electoral Area H grant-in-aid budget, to help offset the costs of the annual Cultus Lake Day event.

BACKGROUND

The FVRD Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid program is available to non-profit community groups or individuals who provide a service or benefit to their Electoral Area community. Funding is available year-round to all applicants who meet the criteria and eligibility requirements as outlined in the Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid Policy & Application Form.

The Electoral Areas have an annual Grant-in-Aid budget, which is set through the budget process. This budget considers the expected aspirations of the communities and must not exceed the calculated maximum value based on the net taxable values of the area.

All funding requests must be supported by the Electoral Area Director and approved by the Board.

DISCUSSION

The Cultus Lake Park Community Events and Engagement Committee (The Committee) is a community/volunteer committee through the care of the **Cultus Lake Park Board. The Committee's** purpose is to create experiences that promote community spirit and pride within Cultus Lake Park, with activities that are meant for residents and non-residents.

The Cultus Lake Park Community Events and Engagement Committee has a website, is responsive to questions, and their meeting agendas are available on their website; therefore, considered financially and administratively sound.

An application was received from The Committee for a \$4,000 grant-in-aid to provide funds to help offset the costs associated with hosting the annual Cultus Lake Day event on June 22, 2024. Activities **at this event include a parade, a pancake breakfast, a children's fun area, live music, and a farmers &** artisan market. There are no application restrictions noted with this request, these costs are not the responsibility of senior levels of government and individual donations are collected for this project.

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" option and Director Dixon is in support to provide \$4,000.

COST

The \$4,000 cost will be funded from the 2023 Electoral Area H grant-in-aid budget, which has sufficient funds to support this request.

CONCLUSION

A grant-in-aid application has been received from the Cultus Lake Park Community Events and Engagement Committee seeking funds to help offset the costs associated with hosting the annual Cultus Lake Day event on June 22, 2024.

COMMENTS BY:

Beth Klein, Controller/Deputy CFO: Reviewed and Supported.

Kelly Lownsbrough, Director of Corporate Services/CFO: Reviewed and Supported.

Jennifer Kinneman, Chief Administrative Officer: Reviewed and supported.