

CORPORATE REPORT

To: Electoral Area Services Committee From: Kristy Hodson, Manager of Financial Operations Date: 2018-03-13 File No: 1850-02 / 002

Subject: Grant-In-Aid Request – Chilliwack Lions Clubs, Electoral Area "H"

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$2,500 to the Chilliwack Area Lions Clubs, funded from the Electoral Area "H" grant-in-aid budget, to help offset the costs of the Cultus Lake Pike Minnow Fishing Derby.

STRATEGIC AREA(S) OF FOCUS Support Healthy & Sustainable Community Support Environmental Stewardship PRIORITIES

Priority #4 Tourism Priority #5 Outdoor Recreation

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" option.

DISCUSSION

The 7 Chilliwack Area Lions Clubs have provided services and assistance throughout the local area for a combined 250 years. Each club operates under strict fiscal guidelines and have developed relationships with the many organizations required to make for a successful event.

The Clubs are requesting a \$2,500 grant-in-aid to help offset the costs of hosting the Cultus Lake Pike Minnow Derby. Specifically, the event has a \$10,000 budget with \$5,000 secured at the time of the application. Projected costs include advertising, printing, website updates, rentals, prizes and medical attendees.

The Clubs plan to also use the event to further develop resident and visitor's understanding of the Cultus Lake Sockeye and best practices related to lake health and environmental sustainability.

Director Dixon is in support of providing a \$2,500 grant-in-aid.

COST

The \$2,500 will be funded from the 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 Chilliwack Area Lions Clubs seeking support for their hosting of the Cultus Lake Pike Minnow Fishing Derby on June 16 (Father's Day weekend).

COMMENTS BY:

Mike Veenbaas, Director of Financial Services Reviewed and supported. Paul Gipps, Chief Administrative Officer Reviewed and supported