

To: Electoral Area Services Committee

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From: Kristy Hodson, Manager of Financial Operations

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**Subject: Grant-In-Aid Request – Hemlock Valley Homeowners Association, Electoral Area “C”**

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### RECOMMENDATION

**THAT** the Fraser Valley Regional District Board approve a grant-in-aid to the Hemlock Valley Homeowners Association (HVHA) in the amount of \$3,000, to be funded from the 2018 Electoral Area “C” grant-in-aid budget to help offset the costs associated with purchasing a storage locker for their equipment along with the hosting of several community events used to encourage family participation to increase community awareness.

#### STRATEGIC AREA(S) OF FOCUS

Support Healthy & Sustainable Community

#### PRIORITIES

Priority #5 Outdoor Recreation

### BACKGROUND

This request for funding is eligible under the “Activities/ programs which are accessible to a large portion of the electoral area” option.

### DISCUSSION

The Hemlock Valley Homeowners Association is a non-profit community group that represents all recreational, residential, home and property owners in the community of Hemlock Valley. They strive to ensure that the owners, along with their families, feel that they continue to be part of the community. They are also working to serve the community and secure improvements in the interest of all parties.

The Hemlock Valley Homeowners Association annually supports the Hemlock Valley Fireman’s Casino/ silent Auction (\$300) and the Hemlock Ski Club (\$300). As the Electoral Area Grant In Aid Policy does not speak to donations to other organizations using grant in aid money, staff is looking for guidance regarding the redistribution of grant in aid funds provided to community organizations.

Beyond their regular operations, the HVHA wishes to support events within the local community. As such, they have requested a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$3,000 which will be used to offset the costs associated with the hosting several community events planned throughout the year.

Director Niemi is in support of this request.

### **COST**

The \$3,000 cost will be funded from the Electoral Area "C" grant-in-aid budget which has sufficient funds to support this request.

### **CONCLUSION**

A grant-in-aid application has been received from Hemlock Valley Homeowners Association seeking funds to offset the purchase of a storage locker for their equipment along with the hosting of several community events.

### **COMMENTS BY:**

**Mike Veenbaas, Director of Financial Services**

Reviewed and supported.

**Paul Gipps, Chief Administrative Officer**

Reviewed and supported