

Agenda Item: 3.1

Administrative Backgrounder

Public Presentation Request

Title

9:20 a.m. Rivière Qui Barre Agricultural Society Presentation - Request for Funding for the Rivière Qui Barre Community Centre Renovation

Purpose of Report

To provide background information on Rivière Qui Barre Agricultural Society's presentation to request funding toward the Rivière Qui Barre Community Centre renovation.

Proposed Motion

That Council refer the Rivière Qui Barre Agricultural Society's request for \$325,000 to support Phase 2 of renovations to the Rivière Qui Barre Community Centre to 2023 Budget deliberations.

Previous Council Direction

February 14, 2017 Regular Council Meeting

Motion 059/17: That Council approve a \$100,000 allocation to the Rivière Qui Barre Agricultural Society Arena Renovation project funded from the Contingency Reserve.

Additional Background Information

- The Rivière Qui Barre (RQB) Agricultural Society obtained a portion of the former Camilla School that is attached to the Arena, which includes the gymnasium and four classrooms.
- Phase 1 renovations are underway and being funded through RQB Agricultural Society funds and 2020 and 2021 Community Enhancement grant program funding.
- In 2017, Council approved a \$100,000 allocation to the project.
- Sturgeon County's current capital grant program is funded through Community Aggregate Program (CAP) Levy and does not have capacity to address large-scale requests of this nature.
- Phase 2 projects include refurbishment of washrooms, change rooms, the coatroom, storage, janitorial, and office areas at a cost of \$442,600 (see Attachment 2). Classroom refurbishment quotes are still to come.
- The RQB Agricultural Society has undertaken fundraising activities to support the project and are intending to apply to other grant programs, including the Community Facility

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- Other sources of revenue are subject to availability and the process for decision-making can take up to six months.
- The intent is to bring forward further requests for support for Phase 3 and Phase 4 in 2025/2026.
- Kory Perrot, Vice President, Rivière Qui Barre Agricultural Society will present the request to Council. Shawn Flynn, President, Rivière Qui Barre Agricultural Society and Celin Stenner, Business Manager, Rivière Qui Barre Arena will also be in attendance at the July 12, 2022 Regular Council Meeting.

Attachment(s)

- 1. Attachment 1: Presentation Request Form
- 2. Attachment 2: Phase 2 Budget
- 3. Attachment 3: Renovation Phases
- 4. Attachment 4: Phase 2 Construction Plans

Report Reviewed by:

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Date Written: July 7, 2022 Council Meeting Date: July 12, 2022