

March 15, 2021

Report To: Mayor and Council

From: Aaron Bisson, Manager of Recreation and Culture

RE: Memorial Sports Centre Grant Application

In 2020 an application was put forth for the expansion of the Memorial Sports Centre. Due to the specific grant program and the requirements that it had, a decision was made to pull our application from consideration in hopes that a grant that offered a higher level of success would come available. With the new NOHFC grants being announced, the Community Enhancement Program - Enhance your Community Stream, is a perfect fit for the proposed expansion.

The expansion to the Memorial Sports Centre is not part of the 2021 approved capital budget. During the capital budget process there were no grant programs that fit this project. This grant if successful will cover 50% of eligible costs up to \$2,000,000.00. leaving the Towns portion at \$2,675,000.00 for the project. It is expected that approximately \$500,000.00 of the cost would be spent in 2021, that \$3,200,000.00 would be spent in 2022, and that \$975,000.00 would be spent in 2023. The Towns' portion in 2021, 2022, and 2023 after the grant covers the 50% portion would be \$250,000.00, \$1,600,000.00 and \$825,000.00 respectively over those three years.

Recommendation

The Community Services Executive Committee recommends to Mayor and Council to authorize the submission of the 2021 Community Enhancement Program – Enhance Your Community Stream for an expansion of the Memorial Sports Centre.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aaron Bisson

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Manager of Recreation and Culture

<p>Council approval of this report will agree to the recommendation of the Community Services Executive Committee to submit the 2021 Community Enhancement Program – Enhance your Community Stream for an expansion of the Memorial Sports Centre application as outlined in this report.</p>
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