

TO: Mayor Avis & Members of Council
FROM: Laurie Witherspoon, Treasurer
DATE: September 16, 2014
SUBJECT: Rainy River Stewardship Donation Proposal for Revitalization of Property
Located at 235 Scott Street

BACKGROUND

At the September 8, 2014 Council Meeting, the request received from Rainy River District Stewardship to partner in the development of a market square in downtown Fort Frances was referred to the Administration & Finance Executive Committee for recommendation with input from Operations & Facilities and Planning and Development Executive Committees.

Rainy River District Stewardship would like to contribute up to \$5,000.00 towards the revitalization of the current Rainy Lake Hotel property downtown Fort Frances with funds designated for bike racks, landscaping or other environmentally themed portion of the project. They ask that their name be displayed as a contributor on a plaque at the redeveloped market square site.

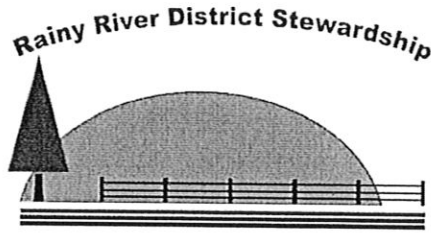
Attached are the comments received from the Operations & Facilities Executive Committee and the Planning & Development Executive Committee for your review.

RECOMMENDATION

The Administration & Finance Executive Committee recommends supporting and accepting with appreciation the donation proposal received from Rainy River District Stewardship towards bike racks, landscaping or other environmentally themed portion of the redevelopment project at 235 Scott Street.

Council Approval of This Report Will Approve the Administration & Finance Executive Committee recommendation to support and accept with appreciation the Rainy River District Stewardship donation contribution of up to \$5,000 to be used towards bike racks, landscaping or other environmentally themed portion of the redevelopment project at 235 Scott Street and as set out in their correspondence dated July 23, 2014.

Rainy River District Stewardship
P.O. Box 874
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July 23, 2014

RE: Request to Partner in the Development of a Market Square in Downtown Fort Frances

Mayor and Council
Town of Fort Frances
Fort Frances, Ontario
P9A 3P9

Dear Mayor and Council,

We are the Rainy River District Stewardship, a community not for profit group comprising of members with a wide and varied background, with one common mission; to advance the responsible care of Nature in the Rainy River District for benefits now and in the future. For numerous years we have participated in projects throughout the district to promote environmental preservation, restoration, and education.

We have discussed the hopeful revitalization of the property that currently houses the Rainy Lake Hotel in Downtown Fort Frances, and feel that this project would be an excellent opportunity to participate and contribute to a project within the Town of Fort Frances. The Rainy River District Stewardship would like to contribute up to \$5000.00 towards this redevelopment project, with the funds to be used for bike racks, landscaping, or another environmentally themed portion of the project. We do, however, ask that our name be displayed as a contributor on a plaque at the finished site. We are, of course, always open and available for discussion and negotiation regarding what our contribution will be used for, but feel that this project will be an exceptional contribution to the downtown area of Fort Frances and a welcome site for farmers and open air markets. We thank you for your consideration and look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joe Reynolds".

Joe Reynolds,

Chair of Rainy River District Stewardship Council.

September 15, 2014

Report To: Administration & Finance Executive Committee

From: Operations & Facilities Executive Committee

SUBJECT: Rainy River District Stewardship Proposal for the Rainy Lake Hotel Property- 235 Scott Street

The Operations & Facilities Executive committee was to provide input to the lead executive committee, the Administration & Finance Executive committee in regards to the Rainy River District Stewardship Proposal for the Rainy Lake Hotel Property outlined in the letter dated July 23, 2014 from Joe Reynolds, Chair of Rainy River District Stewardship Council. See attached copy of the letter for your review.

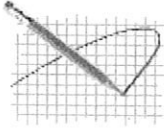
The Operations & Facilities Executive Committee reviewed the Rainy River District Stewardship Proposal -Rainy Lake Hotel Property at the September 17th, 2014 O & F executive committee meeting.

At this time the O & F executive committee supports the donation of \$ 5000 from the Rainy River District Stewardship towards any future environmentally friendly landscaping features developed on the Rainy Lake hotel property located at 235 Scott Street.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Wiedenhoeft, Chairman
Operations & Facilities Executive Committee

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Subject Rainy River Stewardship

Laurie,

The Planning and Development Executive Committee was to provide input on this matter to the Administration and Finance Executive Committee. Be advised that after considering the matter this morning, the Planning and Development Executive Committee recommends that the Town accept with appreciation, the donation of \$5000 from Rainy River District Stewardship to be used as set out in correspondence dated July 23rd and that a recognition plaque be considered as part of the project.

regards,
Faye

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