



The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

To: Mayor and Members of Council

Prepared by: Patti Funaro, Director of Culture and Recreation and Jonathan Osborne, Director of Public Works

Department: Culture and Recreation

Date of Report: April 10, 2024

Report Number: CR-2024-14

Subject: Inclusive Community Grant Application

Recommendation

That the report of the Director of Culture and Recreation and Director of Public Works dated April 10, 2024 (CR-2024-14) regarding The Inclusive Community Grants program be received;

And that administration be authorized to work with the LaSalle Rowing Club to submit an application for accessibility renovations to the Riverdance Facility.

Report

The Province of Ontario's Inclusive Community Grants program will provide municipalities, non-profit organizations, and Indigenous communities with up to \$60,000 for local projects that will help older adults and people with disabilities participate in community life.

The LaSalle Rowing Club has indicated interest in partnering with the Town to submit an application to partially fund accessibility renovations to the Riverdance Facility, with the remainder of the funds provided by the Town. The project aligns with the LaSalle Multi-Year Accessibility Plan 2023-2027.

The Rowing Club currently runs a para-rowing program and has expressed concerns about the lack of accessible building doors and an accessible washroom. While the Rowing Club has requested these renovations, they will be available to all users of the Riverdance Facility.

The specific renovations include:

- Renovating the main entrance door to the facility and the inside access door to the Rowing Club space to current barrier free accessibility standards.

- The addition of a new barrier free universal washroom. This would be added in the current community room and be accessible from the hallway.

It should be noted that the addition of the washroom will reduce the capacity of the community room and will also alter the mural on the wall.

Due to the tight timelines for the grant submission, administration was unable to secure an updated cost estimate. Using the most recent estimate from 2021 and taking into account inflation through the non-residential construction price index, the estimated 2024 cost of the project is \$273,000.00.

If the grant application is successful, the estimated contribution from the Town would be \$213,000.00, funded from the Accessibility Initiatives Reserve.

Plans would be brought to the Accessibility Committee for consideration and Council would be provided the updated cost estimates and construction drawings for a final decision prior to any renovations starting.

Consultations

Peter Marra, Deputy C.A.O.

Jonathan Osborne, Director of Public Works

Dale Langlois, Director of Finance

Tano Ferraro, Manager of Finance

Mark Masanovich, Manager of Facilities

Scott Bisson, Manager of Culture and Recreation

Financial Implications

If the grant application is successful, the estimated contribution from the Town would be \$213,000.00, funded from the Accessibility Initiatives Reserve.

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Director of Culture & Recreation

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Link to Strategic Goals

1. Enhancing organizational excellence - Not Applicable
2. Strengthen the community's engagement with the Town - Yes
3. Grow and diversify the local economy - Not Applicable
4. Build on our high-quality of life - Yes
5. Sustaining strong public services and infrastructure - Yes

Communications

n/a

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:



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