

The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

To: Mayor and Members of Council

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Department: Finance

Date of Report: August 20, 2024

Report Number: FIN-21-2024

Subject: Sean Kenney's Animal Super Powers Exhibit Event Funding

Recommendation

That the report of the Director of Finance dated August 20, 2024 (FIN-21-2024) regarding Sean Kenney's Animal Super Powers® Exhibit Event Funding be received;

And that, the Sean Kenney's Animal Super Powers® Exhibit deficit be funded from the tax rate stabilization reserve and festival reserve.

Report

As Council will recall, at the April 23, 2024 Regular Council meeting, Councillor Renaud requested that an Administrative Report be prepared to outline the options available to cover the net loss from the Sean Kenney's Animal Super Powers® Exhibit event, with a view to keep the Town's festival and events safe and prosperous, and to protect the waterfront reserve, that a report be prepared after the results of the wage subsidy grant are known.

Since this request, the Town was notified that they were successful with the wage subsidy grant application, which has allowed for \$35,770 of additional funding to be allocated to the exhibit.

It is proposed that the remaining funding deficit of \$139,800 be funded from one of the following options:

Option #1:

Reserve	Amount
Tax Stabilization Reserve	\$119,800
Festival Reserve	\$20,000
Total	\$139,800

Option #1 will ensure that the waterfront reserve is not impacted by the Lego exhibit event.

Option #2:

Reserve	Amount
Waterfront Reserve	\$139,800

Option #2 was originally approved by Council when the Exhibit budget was presented in early 2024.

Given that there is sufficient funding available in both the festival reserve and tax rate stabilization reserve, it is recommended that Council approves Option # 1 as a funding source for the remaining deficit balance of the Sean Kenney's Animal Super Powers® Exhibit.

Consultations

Culture and Recreation Department

Financial Implications

Refer to the body of this report.

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Director of Finance/Treasurer

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Link to Strategic Goals

- 1. Enhancing organizational excellence No
- 2. Strengthen the community's engagement with the Town No
- 3. Grow and diversify the local economy No
- 4. Build on our high-quality of life No
- 5. Sustaining strong public services and infrastructure No

Communications

Not applicable.

Report Approval Details

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

Chief Administrative Officer

Joe Milicia