



BOARD REPORT

TO: Chair and Directors

File No: 5600 49 06

SUBJECT: General Strategic Priorities Grant Application

DESCRIPTION: Report from Terry Langlois, Team Leader Utilities, dated May 15, 2017. Board approval to apply for a General Strategic Priorities Grant.

RECOMMENDATION #1: THAT: the Board empower the authorized signatories to apply for a General Strategic Priorities Fund grant in the amount of \$2,091,000 to fund 100% of the eligible costs to upgrade the Saratoga Water System.

SHORT SUMMARY:

An engineering assessment conducted by Gentech Engineering Inc. has identified the necessary upgrades required to the Saratoga Waterworks in order to facilitate the connection of the Copper Island RV Park to the water system. The costs of the required upgrades are far beyond the financial ability of the community.

VOTING: Unweighted LGA Part 14 Weighted Stakeholder
Corporate (Unweighted) Corporate (*Weighted*)

BACKGROUND:

The Copper Island RV Park is a 41 unit development in the Scotch Creek area adjacent to the Saratoga Waterworks Service Area. The RV Park’s existing water system is a groundwater well with no treatment. After years of failing sample results, Interior Health has ordered the RV Park to either acquire a new water source or provide proper treatment to its existing water system. The Saratoga Waterworks is immediately adjacent to the Copper Island RV Park, but has limitations for current expansion, primarily in regards to a water reservoir and storage issues.

POLICY:

A Board resolution endorsing the grant application to the General Strategic Priorities Fund through the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development is required as part of the grant application process. The grant application is consistent with the policies as outlined in CSRD policy W-4 “Water Acquisition Strategy”.

As outlined in “CSRD Delegation Bylaw No 5582, 2010” Board authorization is required for any grant application in excess of \$150,000.

FINANCIAL:

The General Strategic Priorities Fund Grant offers 100% funding for eligible projects.

KEY ISSUES/CONCEPTS:

To apply for the General Strategic Priorities Fund grant, which, if successful would allow the community of Copper Island RV Park to connect to the Saratoga Waterworks.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Staff will submit the application to the General Strategic Priorities fund by the June 2, 2017 application deadline.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Upon approval, staff will continue to work on the grant application and will include the Board resolution in the application package.

DESIRED OUTCOMES:

The Board endorse the grant application to secure funding for connection of the Copper Island RV Park to the Saratoga Water Works.

BOARD'S OPTIONS:

1. *Endorse the Recommendation.*
2. *Deny the Recommendation.*
3. *Defer.*
4. *Any other action deemed appropriate by the Board.*

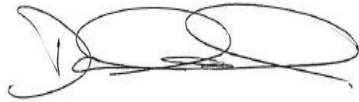
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1. Copper Island RV Park, Engineering Assessment – Gentech Engineering Inc.

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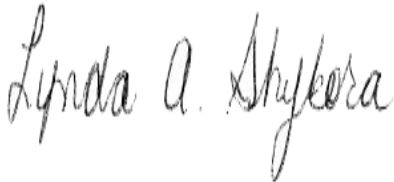
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