



# BOARD REPORT

**TO:** Chair and Directors

**File No:** 1855 04

**SUBJECT:** Electoral Area C: Eagle Bay Community Park Upgrades - Community Works Fund.

**DESCRIPTION:** Report from Ryan Nitchie, Team Leader, Community Services, dated September 12, 2022. Area C Community Works Fund – Eagle Bay Community Park Upgrades.

**RECOMMENDATION:** THAT: in accordance with Policy No. F-3 "Electoral Area Community Works Funds – Expenditure of Monies" access to the Electoral Area Community Works Fund be approved in an amount of up to \$250,000 plus applicable taxes from the Electoral Area C Community Works Fund allocation for additional park development at Eagle Bay Community Park, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2022.

## SHORT SUMMARY

Construction of the new Eagle Bay Community Park commenced in June 2022. During initial excavation, ground truthing unveiled discrepancies between the design and actual elevations effecting the over-all park design and drainage plan. Staff worked with the landscape architect, geo-technical engineer, and the contractor to resolve the issue. The result of the redesign requires additional engineered gravels, compaction, additional drainage pits and small retaining walls to ensure that the multi-purpose sport court is sustainable over the long term and park drainage is effective. The initial project received grant funding from the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program fund. Additional monies are required to accommodate the increased scope. Staff is recommending that Community Works Funds be utilized as a means to lessen the impact on taxation and capital reserves within the Electoral Area C Parks Five Year Financial Plan.

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

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## BACKGROUND:

Construction of the new Eagle Bay Community Park is in progress, however, the contractor noted discrepancies between the design plan and actual elevations effecting the over-all park design and drainage plan particularly effecting the planned asphalt multi-purpose sport court. Staff immediately engaged with the landscape architect contractor as well as geo-technical professionals to address the issues and worked collaboratively with the construction contractor to amend the park design to address the concerns. The changes to the design plan results in additional excavation and grading under the multi-purpose sport court, additional engineered gravels and compaction, construction of in-ground drainage and construction of small retaining wall systems. The estimated additional costs to the project are approximately \$180,000.

Staff has discussed the possibility of utilizing Community Works Funds with Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program staff who advise that Community Works Funds can be utilized to cover these new and unplanned expenses that are outside of the original grant scope.

Staff subsequently discussed the use of Community Works Funds with the Electoral Area Director who supports the recommendation.

**POLICY:**

In accordance with CSRD Policy No F-3 “Electoral Area Community Works Fund – Expenditure of Monies”, Board authorization is required for the expenditure of monies from the Community Works Fund.

**FINANCIAL:**

Sufficient funds are available from within the Electoral Area C Community Works Fund to support the funding request.

The balance of the Area C Community Works Fund (Gas Tax), as August 31, 2022 is approximately \$1,596,000 after all previously approved commitments. The anticipated November 2022 distribution is not included in the above amount. Expenditure of the funds will be in accordance with the 2014-2024 Agreement between the UBCM and CSRD, dated July 7, 2014.

**DESIRED OUTCOMES:**

That the Board endorse the staff recommendation(s).

**BOARD'S OPTIONS:**

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

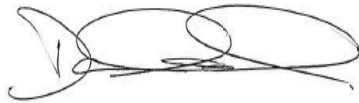
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