BOARD REPORT

TO: Chair and Directors

SUBJECT: Electoral Area E Community Works Fund

DESCRIPTION: Report from Ryan Nitchie, Community Services Team Leader, September 6, 2017. Access to Electoral Area E Community Works Fund for additional park infrastructure at Malakwa Community Park.

RECOMMENDATION #1: THAT: in accordance with Policy No. F-3 “Electoral Area Community Works Fund - Expenditure of Monies” access to the Electoral Area E Community Works Fund be approved for up to $140,000 plus applicable taxes from the Electoral Area E Community Works Fund allocation for park construction at Malakwa Community Park.

SHORT SUMMARY: After consultation with the Electoral Area E Director, staff is seeking approval for additional funding to complete the construction of a new community park in Malakwa. Board approval is being sought for expenditure of these funds in accordance with Policy No. F-3 “Electoral Area Community Works Fund – Expenditures of Monies”.

BACKGROUND:

The construction of new parks including playground equipment, walking and cycling trails, signage, a vault toilet, picnic shelter, community garden, landscaping, fencing, utilities and irrigation qualify as eligible expenditures of Community Works Fund money.

The Electoral Area E Parks Advisory Committee as well as the Electoral Area Director concur that completion of the new community park in Malakwa is a 2017 priority. The construction project was released for tender in August 2017 and the bid submissions received were much higher than the opinion of probable costs.

Phases two and three of the park construction project were originally budgeted from the Electoral Area E parks capital fund for completion in 2018 and 2019 respectively. In order to complete the park's amenities in a timelier manner, phases two and three will be funded with the Electoral Area E Community Works Funds and completed in 2017.

This additional funding will ensure that the majority of the works including irrigation, electrical, lighting, playground construction, landscaping, fencing, concrete plaza, vault toilet, tree planting and water line installation is completed in the fall of 2017. The timber frame picnic shelter structure will be completed in the spring of 2018, dependant on contractor availability.
POLICY:
Policy No. F-3 “Electoral Area Community Works Fund – Expenditure of Monies” states that the expenditure of monies from the Community Works Fund will be approved by the Board.

FINANCIAL:
The balance of the Area E Community Works Fund (Gas Tax) is $188,000 after all previously approved commitments. The allocation of $140,000 will reduce the balance of available funds to $48,000. Expenditure of the funds will be in accordance with the 2014-2024 Agreement between the UBCM and CSRD, dated July 7, 2014.

KEY ISSUES/CONCEPTS:
Policy No. F-3 “Electoral Area Community Works Fund – Expenditure of Monies”, states that the expenditure of monies from the Community Works Fund must be approved by the Board.

COMMUNICATIONS:
Staff will procure the goods and services for these projects in accordance with Policy No. F-32 “Procurement of Goods and Services”.

DESired OUTCOMES:
The Board approve the expenditure from the Electoral Area E portion of the Community Works Fund.

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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