



# BOARD REPORT

**TO:** Chair and Directors

**File No:** 1850-40-18

**SUBJECT:** Community Works Fund – Radon Remediation – Malakwa Community Learning Centre.

**DESCRIPTION:** Report from Jodi Pierce, Manager, Financial Services, dated January 15, 2018.

**RECOMMENDATION #1:** THAT: in accordance with Policy F-3 “Electoral Area Community Works Fund – Expenditures of Monies”, access to the Community Works Fund be approved in the amount of \$89,210 plus applicable taxes, from the Area E Community Works Fund for radon remediation of the Malakwa Community Learning Centre, subject to successful lease negotiation and subject to the 2018 Community Works Fund distributions.

### SHORT SUMMARY:

Information relating to this request is attached and is supported by the Area E Director. Radon remediation is necessary for the on-going use of this pivotal community resource.

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

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### BACKGROUND:

The Malakwa Community Centre Association is in the process of signing a long-term lease for the use of the former Malakwa Elementary School. Once the lease has been signed, the association is eligible to apply for Gas Tax funds for the radon remediation of the property. Radon is a potentially dangerous gas that is present in the school building and is considered a health hazard, however, remediation can protect the air quality within the building.

The building houses several important tenants, including the Learning Academy; the Post Office; the Library; and, the Community Resource Centre, which provide economic benefit to the community as well as important cultural and recreational benefits to the community. In addition, there is rental space for community groups, weddings, and meetings, as well as a gymnasium which is utilized by community wellness groups.

### POLICY:

This request meets the criteria for support in relation to CSR Policy *F-3, Community Works Fund – Expenditure of Monies*. Eligible recipients for Gas Tax funding include non-municipal not-for-profit organizations and radon remediation is an eligible expenditure. The Malakwa Learning Centre is available for public use and benefit.

### FINANCIAL:

The balance of the Area E Community Works Fund (Gas Tax) is \$38,000 after all previously approved commitments. The 2018 distribution will be in addition to this amount. Expenditure of the funds will be in accordance with the 2014-2024 Agreement between the UBCM and CSR, dated July 7, 2014.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

Upon Board approval, a Use of Community Works Funds Agreement will be forwarded to the Malakwa Community Centre Association for signature and funding will be made available upon submission of copies of eligible invoices for payment at the end of the project, anticipated for completion in summer 2018.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

The CSRD will enter into an agreement with the Malakwa Community Centre Association that transfers CSRD obligations on ownership and reporting to the Association (e.g. the Association will need to maintain records, provide access to auditors, spend funding on eligible costs of eligible projects, report to the CSRD on outcomes achieved, etc).

**DESIRED OUTCOMES:**

The Board will approve the recommendation.

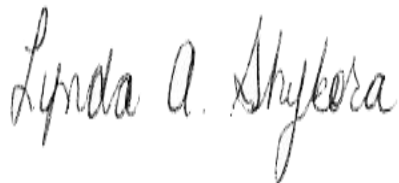
**BOARD'S OPTIONS:**

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

**Report Approval Details**

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



**Lynda Shykora - Jan 16, 2018 - 10:33 AM**



**Charles Hamilton - Jan 16, 2018 - 12:08 PM**