



AGENDA ITEM

City of Lacombe/Lacombe County Joint Meeting

LAPA Phase Two Project

October 28, 2021

BACKGROUND

At the September 9, 2021, meeting representatives of the Lacombe Athletic Park Association (LAPA) presented an update on their Field House Expansion Project. Further to the update a presentation was provided in support of their request for County funding to support Phase Two of the project which is the Track and Field Expansion.

At the September 23, 2021 Council meeting, by resolution of Council, the Lacombe Athletic Park Association request for Lacombe County financial support of their Track and Field Expansion Project will be considered through the Community Groups – Facility Capital and Operating Funding Requests process as outlined in the City of Lacombe/Lacombe County Operational Cost-sharing Agreement.

ANALYSIS

LAPA is understanding and accepting of the City and County desire to follow the agreed-to process for considering funding requests from community groups, including requests from them.

As this is a joint meeting between the City, the County and a Community Group, Council is required to pass a resolution requesting that the Reeve call a special Council meeting for the purpose of participating in a joint meeting with the City of Lacombe and LAPA on a specified date, time and location. Subsequently, public notice of the date, time and location of the meeting will be provided in accordance with the County's Procedures Bylaw No.1331/20.

A recommendation is being presented to City Council at their organizational meeting that the joint meeting be held on December 1, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Lacombe Memorial Centre.

Alternatives:

1. Approve a resolution directly the Lacombe County Reeve to call a special Council meeting for the purpose of participating in a joint meeting with the City of Lacombe and LAPA on December 1, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. at the Lacombe Memorial Centre to discuss



Phase Two of LAPA's Track and Field Expansion Project.
(Administrative recommendation)

- 2. Take other action(s) as determined by Council.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

County support of the LAPA project would be funded through the Recreation Capital Assistance Reserve which has a projected 2021 year-end balance of \$2,043,782.

LEGISLATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

Lacombe County Policy RC(1) - Capital Support of Recreation and Cultural Facilities

Section 3 of the Municipal Government Act (MGA) states the purposes of a municipality are: 1) to provide good government, 2) to provide services, facilities or other things that, in the opinion of council, are necessary or desirable for all or part of the municipality, and 3) to develop and maintain safe and viable communities.

Section 180(1) of the MGA states that council may only act by resolution or bylaw.

Section 194(1) of the MGA states that the chief elected official

- (a) may call a special council meeting whenever the official considers it appropriate to do so, and
- (b) must call a special council meeting if the official receives a written request for the meeting, stating its purpose, from a majority of the councillors.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the following resolution:

That the Reeve be requested to call a special Council meeting for the purpose of participating in a joint meeting with the City of Lacombe and Lacombe Athletic Park representatives on December 1, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. at the Lacombe Memorial Centre to discuss Phase Two of LAPA's Track and Field Expansion Project.

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