

**2. Rural Community-Building Grant Program – Quarter 4 Applications Review**

**Programme de subventions pour le renforcement communautaire en milieu rural – Examen des demandes du quatrième trimestre**

**Committee recommendation(s), as amended**

**That Council:**

- 1. Direct the Rural Affairs Office to bring forward applications for the Rural Community-Building Grants Program to an Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee no later than 30 days after they are received, or at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee if it does not fall within the 30 day threshold; and**
- 2. Approve an amendment to the Rural Community-Building Grants Policy to replace the text under Section 4.0 to read as follows: “Review meetings are anticipated to be held within 30 days of receipt of the application, or at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee, if applicable, to make funding decisions.”**

**Recommandation(s) du comité, telle que modifiée**

**Que le Conseil :**

- 1. charge le Bureau des affaires rurales de soumettre au Comité de l'agriculture et des affaires rurales les demandes de participation au Programme de subventions pour le renforcement communautaire en milieu rural au plus tard 30 jours après leur réception ou, au-delà de ce délai de 30 jours, lors de la prochaine réunion prévue du Comité de l'agriculture et des affaires rurales; et**
- 2. approuve une modification de la politique relative aux subventions pour le renforcement communautaire en milieu rural, afin de**

remplacer le texte de la section 4.0 par la mention suivante : « Les réunions d'examen des demandes doivent avoir lieu dans les 30 jours suivant réception des demandes ou lors de la prochaine réunion prévue du Comité de l'agriculture et des affaires rurales, le cas échéant, pour prendre les décisions relatives au financement. »

Documentation/Documentation

- 1 Report from the Director, Economic Development and Long Range Planning, Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, dated November 20, 2023 (ACS2023-PRE-EDP-0053)

Rapport Directeur, Développement économique et planification à long terme, Services de la planification, des biens immobiliers et du développement économique, daté le 20 novembre 2023 (ACS2023-PRE-EDP-0053)

- 2 Extract of draft Minutes, Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee, November 30, 2023

Extrait de l'ébauche du procès-verbal du Comité de l'agriculture et des affaires rurales, le 30 novembre 2023

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ACS2023-PRE-EDP-0053 - Osgoode (20), Rideau-Jock (21)

D. Brown declared a conflict on this item. ("In accordance with Sections 5 and 6 of the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, I, Councillor David Brown, declare a potential indirect pecuniary interest on the following application to be considered as part of the Rural Community-Building Grant Program – Quarter 4 Applications Review, as my mother is the 4H leader of the Richmond Club located within Carleton County and some of her 4Her's participate in this program: Document 1 - A Carleton 4H Association- Development of confidence, leadership and life skills in Youth.")

**Report recommendation(s)**

**That the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee approve the recommendations on the Rural Community-Building Grants Program applications as detailed in Document 1 (except Application A - Carleton 4H Association -Development of confidence, leadership and life skills in Youth).**

**Carried as amended**

As Councillor D. Brown had a conflict of interest on this application, Application A – Carleton 4H Association – Development of confidence, leadership and life skills in Youth, was separated for voting purposes. Councillor D. Brown did not vote on this item.

**Document 1, Application A - Carleton 4H Association -Development of confidence, leadership and life skills in Youth**

Carried

**Motion No. ARAC 2023 - 09/3**

Moved by G. Darouze

**WHEREAS** the City of Ottawa administers the Rural Community-Building Grants Funding envelope through the Rural Affairs Office, with a stated intention to support rural-based community project undertakings by community associations, agricultural groups, or other non-for-profit organizations; and

**WHEREAS** the initial report (ACS2011-ICS-PGM-0182) includes criteria listed in Document 1 under section 4.0 which states, in part, that: “Review meetings are anticipated to be held quarterly to make funding decisions”; and

**WHEREAS** the Rural Community-Building Grants has aided in the successful implementation of a multitude of enhancements to communities in rural Ottawa, and it would be beneficial to consider applications more expeditiously, as opposed to quarterly reviews;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee recommend Council:

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**days of receipt of the application, or at the next regularly  
scheduled meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs  
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**Carried**