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5. 2018 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET – Q1 STATUS REPORT

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**REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS**

**That the Finance and Economic Development Committee recommend Council:**

- 1. Receive this report for information.**
- 2. Establish a capital project for \$2.25 million to fund initiatives to advance the Ten Year Housing and Homelessness Plan and funded by one-time Provincial revenue as detailed in the report.**
- 3. Establish a capital project for \$1.0 million to fund equipment replacement and technology upgrades for Long Term Care Services and funded by one-time Provincial revenue as detailed in the report.**

Isabelle Jasmin, Deputy City Treasurer of Corporate Finance was accompanied by Marian Simulik, General Manager of Corporate Services and City Treasurer. Ms. Jasmin spoke to a PowerPoint presentation, which is held on file with the City Clerk and Solicitor.

After questions and discussion, the Committee considered the following motions:

**Motion No. 37/2**

Moved by Councillor J. Watson

**WHEREAS** Community and Protective Services Committee has recommended that Council add 35 additional Personal Support Workers in Long-Term Care Services in 2018, and provide \$800 K funding from the One-Time and Unforeseen Account to accommodate the part-year impact of the new positions; and

**WHEREAS** staff has advised that, if they are able to hire these positions sooner, the part-year impact may be more; and

**WHEREAS** Recommendation 3 recommends the establishment of a capital project for \$1.0 million to fund equipment replacement and technology upgrades for Long Term Care Services, funded by one-time Provincial revenue, and this fund would provide the General Manager of Community and Social Services with the flexibility to bring Personal Support Workers on sooner than anticipated;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Recommendation 3 be amended to add the following:

**“and delegate the authority to the General Manager of Community and Social Services to use these project funds, as needed, to augment the \$800,000 provided to hire 35 additional Personal Support Workers in 2018, if needed, subject to the approval of the FTEs and related funding by Council.”**

CARRIED

**Motion No. 37/3**

Moved by Councillor J. Harder

**WHEREAS** The Barrhaven Food Cupboard has operated as an autonomous community run organization helping Barrhaven residents since 2005 and due to population growth and increased needs have outgrown their current space, and

**WHEREAS the Walter Baker Sports Centre has a large underutilized space that could meet the Food Cupboards needs if renovated to meet public occupancy standards, and**

**WHEREAS the cost of renovating the vacant space is estimated at \$225,000, with the Food Cupboard able to contribute \$125,000, and**

**WHEREAS the City has been approached to partner with the Cupboard to offset the cost of required renovations, and**

**WHEREAS RCFS is funding \$1.4M in upgrades out of 905118 Community Centre Additions to the Nepean Sportsplex to support upgraded multipurpose recreation opportunity, and**

**WHEREAS the Ward 3 CIL reserve fund had a cash balance of \$221,121.04 at the end of Q1 2018 and that the RCFS improvements at the Nepean Sportsplex qualify for CILP funding, and**

**WHEREAS the Councillor for Ward 3 supports the transfer of \$100,000 from Ward 3 CIL reserve to the Nepean Sportsplex project in order to create capacity within a City Tax funded project to support the Food Cupboard project, and**

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize \$100,000 in 905118 Community Centre Additions be allocated to Walter Barker Sports Centre improvements in support of the Barrhaven Food Cupboard.**

CARRIED

Councillor Wilkinson was in attendance for this portion of the meeting and briefly spoke to the following motion:

**Motion No. 37/4**

Moved by Councillor E. El-Chantiry (on behalf of Councillor Wilkinson)

**WHEREAS construction of the Richcraft Recreation Complex - Kanata (RRCK) was completed in 2013 at a cost of \$42.38; and**

**WHEREAS construction of this Complex was completed at a substantially lower cost than the budgeted \$43.47M; and**

**WHEREAS the Council-approved financing plan for the facility, included a \$1.18M community contribution for capital facility enhancements and an additional \$820K to create an endowment fund to offset the associated annual operating and maintenance costs anticipated for the operation of the additional two pool lanes to be funded by the community; and**

**WHEREAS at that time an agreement was being negotiated to have the facility operated by the NCR-Y and the endowment fund to cover additional pool costs was considered needed to ensure the addition of the pool lanes would not become an additional operational cost to the City in the agreement with the NCR-Y; and**

**WHEREAS the proposed agreement with the Y was unable to be finalized so the facility is operated by the City and pool operations, with the addition of the two extra lanes, has not resulted in operating costs higher than pool operating expenditures, showing the benefit not only in programming but also in operational costs; and**

**WHEREAS the community has successfully raised and contributed to the City funds for both the capital cost of the two extra lanes and providing equipment for the youth room; fully satisfying their capital contribution commitment to those projects; and**

**WHEREAS the balance in fundraising proceeds remains in a trust fund which the community, at the request of the manager at the RRCK, is using for additional priority capital enhancements, starting with beach volley ball courts at the RRCK; and**

**WHEREAS in the first four years of operation of the Complex, the City-provided budget for operations, programming and maintenance has been sufficient to meet all operating expenditures; and**

**THEREFORE BE IT resolved that Council approve the removal of the community endowment fund requirement from the financing plan for the facility as well as the limitations on fundraising costs; and**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Community funds currently held in trust be made available to invest in priority capital enhancements for the**

site, including an outdoor fitness park, beach volleyball pits and a sponsor recognition board; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** all obligations under the original Council approved funding program agreement with the Kanata North Recreation Centre Inc. are now considered fulfilled.

CARRIED

**Motion No. 37/5**

Moved by Councillor J. Watson

**WHEREAS** the Innovation Centre at Bayview Yards opened in December 2016 to foster innovation and entrepreneurship in Ottawa; and

**WHEREAS** more than 60 start-ups have been incubated at Bayview Yards since its opening, with some developing innovative products and technologies that have been commercialized and will have a positive impact on quality of life and economic growth; and

**WHEREAS** The Growcer, an Invest Ottawa client at Bayview Yards, has developed a state-of-the-art farming system that combines hydroponic technology with precision climate controls inside a sea container to enable northern and remote communities to grow affordable food in any climate year-round; and

**WHEREAS** The Growcer system optimizes growing conditions to ensure the greatest crop yields possible, offering a reliable and affordable source of produce to its community; and

**WHEREAS** The Growcer has successfully deployed its growing system in eight communities with impressive results and customer satisfaction, and has been featured on national news outlets like CBC's The National as a beacon of Canadian innovation; and

**WHEREAS** The Growcer, in partnership with Invest Ottawa and FedDev Ontario, will install a growing system at Bayview Yards for the purpose of demonstrating its technology and providing a secure and year-round source of produce to Just Food's Community Food Hub to ensure food

**security for local organizations like MarketMobile;**

**WHEREAS this system will enable entrepreneurs to test and validate new agri-tech innovations on-site at Bayview Yards;**

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Finance and Economic Development Committee recommend that Council approve the provision of \$45,000 in funding from the One-Time and Unforeseen Account to Invest Ottawa to cover the costs of preparing the site and installing the growing system, as described in this motion.**

**CARRIED**

Finance and Economic Development Committee CARRIED the report recommendations as amended by Motions 37/2, 37/3, 37/4 and 37/5, as set out below

**That the Finance and Economic Development Committee recommend Council:**

- 1. Receive this report for information; and**
- 2. Establish a capital project for \$2.25 million to fund initiatives to advance the Ten Year Housing and Homelessness Plan and funded by one-time Provincial revenue as detailed in the report;**
- 3. Establish a capital project for \$1.0 million to fund equipment replacement and technology upgrades for Long Term Care Services and funded by one-time Provincial revenue as detailed in the report, and delegate the authority to the General Manager of Community and Social Services to use these project funds, as needed, to augment the \$800,000 provided to hire 35 additional Personal Support Workers in 2018, if needed, subject to the approval of the FTEs and related funding by Council;**
- 4. Authorize that \$100,000 in 905118 Community Centre Additions be allocated to Walter Barker Sports Centre improvements in support of the Barrhaven Food Cupboard;**
- 5. Approve the removal of the Community Endowment Fund requirement from the financing plan for the facility as well as the**

**limitations on fundraising costs; and the community funds currently held in trust be made available to invest in priority capital enhancements for the site, including an outdoor fitness park, beach volleyball pits and a sponsor recognition board; and that all obligations under the original Council approved funding program agreement with the Kanata North Recreation Centre Inc. be considered fulfilled; and**

- 6. Approve the provision of \$45,000 in funding from the One-Time and Unforeseen Account to Invest Ottawa to cover the costs of preparing the site and installing the growing system.**