

SUBJECT: Community Partnership Capital Programs Annual Report

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**OBJET : Rapport annuel relatif aux programmes de partenariat
communautaire pour les projets d'immobilisations**

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Rapport au Comité des services communautaires et de protection

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REPORT RECOMMENDATION(S)

That the Community and Protective Services Committee recommend Council:

1. Receive for information the list of projects funded under delegated authority through the Community Partnership Minor Capital program in 2021 as detailed in Document 1;
2. Approve in principle the list of 2022 Community Partnership Major Capital projects as detailed in Document 2 and within the Council approved program budget envelope; and
3. Receive for information the status update of prior year Community Partnership Major Capital projects previously approved in principle as detailed in Document 3.

RECOMMANDATION(S) DU RAPPORT

Que le Comité des services communautaires et de protection recommande au Conseil :

1. de prendre connaissance des projets, énumérés dans le document 1, qui ont été financés en 2021 en vertu des pouvoirs délégués dans le cadre du Programme de partenariats communautaires pour les projets d'immobilisations secondaires; et
2. d'approuver en principe, dans le respect des limites de l'enveloppe budgétaire approuvée par le Conseil, la liste des projets de 2022 soumis dans le cadre du Programme de partenariats communautaires pour les grands projets d'immobilisations, liste présentée dans le document 2; et
3. de prendre connaissance de l'état des projets soumis l'année précédente dans le cadre du Programme de partenariats communautaires pour les grands projets d'immobilisations et déjà approuvés en principe, état exposé dans le document 3.

BACKGROUND

The Community Partnership Minor Capital Program

This program was established in 2001 to implement minor capital improvements to parks and recreation facilities on a cost-sharing basis with community groups. The program focuses on smaller projects with grants up to a maximum of \$10,000 on city property and \$7,500 on other public land. The City's capital budget for the program is

set annually through the budget process. Applications are reviewed and funds are allocated, under delegated authority as per the program's guidelines, with the Department reporting on grant allocations to Committee and Council annually.

As neighbourhoods change both socially and demographically, this program provides an effective means of responding quickly to the needs of communities. Community participation in fundraising, planning and installation of recreational facilities promotes community pride, ownership and stewardship of parks and recreation facilities in their communities.

Community Partnership Major Capital Program

The Community Partnership Major Capital Program is an initiative to implement major capital improvements to parks and recreation facilities on a cost-sharing basis with community partners. The City's annual budget process sets the capital budget amount for the program and while there is no set limit on the maximum grant available, total project values are restricted to actual funds available. Applications are evaluated against the approved criteria and staff recommendations are brought forward annually to Committee and Council for approval.

This larger program seeks to achieve the following objectives:

- Develop capital projects that respond to priority needs as identified through Departmental and City planning documents
- Support community initiatives in developing and improving facilities that serve the community
- Develop cost effective capital projects that leverage funding from other sources

The Program provides opportunities to partner with community organizations to implement major capital projects. Eligible projects include capital initiatives for new development, renovations and expansions of parks and recreation facilities. These projects are typically larger in scale and cost more than what could be financed through the Community Partnership Minor Capital Program.

DISCUSSION

Community Partnership Minor Capital Program 2021

The Department received eleven (11) applications as part of the 2021 application process, of which nine (9) met the program criteria and were approved. Five (5)

projects have been completed, four (4) are in progress, and two (2) were deemed ineligible or withdrawn by the applicant.

Refer to Supporting Document 1 for details. Staff continue to work with applicants to ensure projects are completed in compliance with City standards and guidelines. Given the challenges of fundraising by community groups to raise matching funding, it is acknowledged that not all projects will be completed within a 1-year time period.

Community Partnership Major Capital Program 2022

The Department received eight (8) new proposals in 2022, as detailed in Supporting Document 2. There are four (4) projects recommended for approval in principle with the total requested City contribution approximated at \$1,376,000 as noted in Document 2.

Projects were prioritized as per criteria detailed in the guidelines and four (4) projects are not recommended for approval as listed in Document 2:

Two revisions to previously approved applications were received. MIFO updated the scope of work from a double gymnasium to a single gymnasium and walking track. Bingham Cup refined the scope for the proposed rugby field upgrades. Approved funding for both projects remains available.

Updates to the status of projects previously approved by Council are listed in Supporting Document 3.

The total value of grant requests for 2022 exceeds available funds by \$645,000. To make up the shortfall of funds for the 2022 major capital projects, the department recommends the transfer of \$545,000 available in the community partnership minor capital program to the major capital program.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funds will be transferred from the existing minor capital partnership project budgets established for 2022 (\$300,000) and 2021 (\$245,000). The remaining funds of \$55,000 from the 2021 minor capital budget will be transferred to 909838 (2020), resulting in 910188 (2021) and 910567 (2022) minor capital partnership accounts being closed.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no legal impediments to receiving the information in this report in accordance with recommendations no. 1 and no. 3. There are no legal impediments to the implementation of recommendation no. 2 in this report.

COMMENTS BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR(S)

This is a City-Wide report.

CONSULTATION

No public consultation was undertaken in preparation of this report. Projects recommended for funding represent partnerships with local community groups. Each project, depending on the nature of the works, will have its own consultation requirements.

ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS

All projects must be compliant with the [Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation \(IASR\)](#) of the [Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005, \(AODA\)](#) as well as the City's [Accessible Design Standards & Features](#).

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no asset management implications associated with this report.

CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

There are no climate implications associated with this report

ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS

There are no economic implications associated with this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Environmental implications will be taken into consideration as projects are implemented.

INDIGENOUS GENDER AND EQUITY IMPLICATIONS

Projects approved under these programs must be open and accessible to the public. As such, the projects promote equal and equitable opportunity for recreation across the City.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no risk management impediments to implementing the recommendations in this report.

RURAL IMPLICATIONS

Some projects approved in both the Minor and Major Capital programs are located in rural areas of the City.

TECHNOLOGY IMPLICATIONS

There are no technology implications associated with this report.

TERM OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES

The Community Partnership Minor/Major Capital Program is a Corporate Strategy Priority

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Document 1 Summary of Community Partnership Minor Capital 2021 Funding Allocations

Document 2 Summary of Community Partnership Major Capital 2022 Proposals

Document 3 Update and Summary of Community Partnership Major Capital projects that were approved in principle in previous years

DISPOSITION

The Recreation, Cultural and Facility Services Department have reviewed and evaluated proposals received by the March 1, 2022 submission deadline. Upon approval from Committee and Council, RCFS will implement the projects outlined in Document 2.