



The Corporation of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie

Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: October 15, 2024

Subject: Grant Application – Community Sport & Recreation Infrastructure Fund

Report from: Carly Steinhoff, Park, Facilities and Recreation Manager

Appendices: None

Recommendation

Be It Resolved that Council hereby,

1. Support the grant application to the Province of Ontario's Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund, Stream 1: Repair and Rehabilitation for upgrades and improvements to the Tara Arran Community Centre.

Report Summary

To outline a Province of Ontario funding program and seek support from Council to apply to the program for repairs and enhancements at the Tara Arran Community Centre.

Background

The Province of Ontario announced a \$200 million capital funding program called Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund. There are two streams to this program: repair and rehabilitation, and new builds/signature new builds.

Applicants may apply to the repair and rehabilitation stream for project funding between \$150,000 and \$1 million to support projects that will result in the repair or rehabilitation of community sport and recreation facilities/spaces. This program is a 50/50 cost sharing program.

Only one application per eligible applicant is permitted.

Analysis

Staff have discussed potential projects that would fit the parameters of this funding opportunity. Staff are recommending that the Municipality submit an application for repair and expansion of the Tara Arran Community Centre. The application would include enhancements to the existing dressing rooms and potential of adding a small washroom to dressing rooms 2, 3 and 4. The application will also include the addition of a 15' x 20' dressing room that would be constructed on the east side of the ice resurfacing room (south end of building) and the construction of a 40' x 20' storage room on the west side of the ice resurfacing room (south end of building).

Dressing room sizes and amenities have been a challenge for many years, as has been identified by users. The Arran Tara Community Centre also has limited storage options for staff to utilize. Having a storage room connected to the Community Centre will allow more space in the Community Hall for events where not all tables and chairs are required.

Link to Strategic/Master Plan

6.1 Protecting Infrastructure, Recreation and Natural Assets

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding/Link to Procurement Policy

If approved, the Municipality will be required to pay 50% of all eligible expenses associated with this project. Staff are working towards obtaining estimates for the total cost of this project should it be approved. Staff will include the estimate within the 2025 Capital Budget.

Approved by: Emily Dance, Chief Administrative Officer