



# The Corporation of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie

## Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: April 14, 2025

Subject: Allenford Ball Diamond – Replacement of Light Bulbs

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

Appendices: None

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### **Recommendation**

Be It Resolved that Council hereby approves Report REC-2025-04 Allenford Ball Diamond Lights, AND,

1. Accepts the quotation from Nickason Electric in the amount of \$23,278.00, inclusive of applicable taxes for the supply and installation of new six light bulbs and removal of blasts at the Allenford Ball Diamond and be funded through Capital Account 02-4137-4300, 25-RECC-4137 Allenford Ball Diamond Lights;
2. That Council approves an exemption from Section 4.7 of the Procurement Policy, Tender – RFP-RFQ-waived- Council approval, such that staff can award the contract to Nickason Electric, to complete the replacement of the light bulbs at the Allenford Ball Diamond.

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### **Report Summary**

To outline the quotation received for the replacement of six (6) light bulbs and ballasts at the Allenford Ball Diamond.

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### **Background**

Staff have been approached on several occasions regarding the condition of the light standards at the Allenford Ball Diamond. It was determined that there was no safety concern with the physical light stand structure. However, the light standards are more than 50' high, which makes changing light bulbs and ballasts challenging and costly.

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# **Analysis**

Staff provided background to Council in June 2024. Staff received information from Nickason Electric regarding new LED bulbs that do not require ballasts. These bulbs are meant to function in a ballpark setting. The new bulbs are 450 watts, where the current bulbs are 1500 watts. It is estimated that changing to this style of LED bulb will save 70% of the hydro costs associated with the ballpark. In 2024, the hydro costs were \$1,426.52. for the year. Staff sought to obtain a quote for the costs of replacement of the bulbs:

A quotation was received to replace the lights at the Allenford Ball Diamond:

Name	Bid (including taxes)
Nickason Electric	\$23,278.00

Staff are recommending Nickason Electric to complete this project as they are familiar with the ball diamond lights and brought this new style of LED bulb to the attention of staff.

Although the poles are in fair condition, they are aging. The ballasts associated with the light bulbs currently installed weigh 40 pound each. Removing the ballasts will take some weight off the aging poles. It is also estimated that changing to this new style of bulb, there should be no light maintenance for ten (10) years.

Presently, a new ballast will cost \$400.00 to change, which does not include the cost of the light bulb, lift and labour to complete.

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# **Link to Strategic/Master Plan**

6.1 Protecting Infrastructure, Recreation and Natural Assets

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# **Financial Impacts/Source of Funding/Link to Procurement Policy**

This project has been identified in the 2025 Capital Budget as project 25-RECC-4137 Allenford Ball Diamond Lights, with \$30,000.00 allocated. The total cost, including applicable taxes, is \$23,278.00.

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Approved by: Emily Dance, Chief Administrative Officer