

Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: April 14, 2025

Subject: REC-2025-06 Paisley Ball Diamond Enhancements

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

Attachments: None

Recommendation

Be It Resolved that Council hereby approves Report REC-2025-06 Paisley Ball Diamond Enhancements; AND

Accepts the quotation from Mar-Co Clay Products Inc. in the amount of \$19,773.70 and the quote from Nicoll Construction in the amount of \$14,012.00, both inclusive of applicable taxes for the Paisley Ball Diamond infield enhancements, to be funded through Capital Account 02-4153-4300; AND

That Council approves the exemption from Section 4.7 of the Procurement Policy, such that staff can award the contract to Mar-Co Clay Infield Products Inc. and Nicoll Construction to complete the Paisley Ball Diamond infield project.

Background

Paisley Minor Softball made a delegation to Council to request approval for the organization to fundraise for enhancement to the ball diamond in Paisley. Enhancement requests included adding clay to the infield along with new bleachers, dugouts and a storage shed.

Paisley Minor Softball entered into a Memorandum of Understanding in November 2024 stating that the Municipality will work with the organization regarding these requests and that Paisley Minor Softball would raise the funds to complete these projects.

Analysis

Paisley Minor Softball continues to raise funds for the enhancements. They have requested that the infield work be completed prior to the 2025 ball season. Staff have reached out to the previous clay supplier and contractor who did the infield work on both ball diamonds in Chesley.

Staff received a quote from Mar-Co Clay Products Inc. for the supply and delivery of Washington Ball Mix in the amount of \$19,773.70 including HST. Staff also reached out to Nicoll Construction to excavate, grade and install the clay onto the diamond. Nicoll Construction has provided a cost of \$14,012.00 including HST. Both companies have indicated that the infield can be completed in spring 2025.

Paisley Minor Softball continues to raise money for this project and has indicated that the bleachers and dugouts can take place once more fundraising has been completed. The organization has also noted that they have secured a donation of a storage shed.

Link to Strategic/Master Plan

6.1 Protecting Infrastructure, Recreation and Natural Assets

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding/Link to Procurement Policy

At the time of this report, Paisley Minor Softball has raised \$17,000.00 in donations and continues their fundraising efforts. The total cost of the infield work is \$33,785.70 including applicable taxes. After the HST rebate, the cost is \$30,425.07. Staff are requesting that the infield work be approved, and that Paisley Minor Softball will raise \$13,425.07 prior to the end of 2025.

Approved by: Emily Dance, Chief Administrative Officer