

Regional Board Report

Request for Decision

To: Regional Board From: Corporate Officer Date: November 16, 2023

Subject: Release from Closed - Community Works Fund Allocation Policy Report and

Recommendations

Voting Entitlement: All Directors – Weighted Corporate Vote – Simple Majority (LGA s.210)

All Directors - Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority (LGA s.208)

Purpose: To release a report from the June 08, 2023 closed Committee of the Whole meeting and

present the committee recommendations to the Board.

Executive Summary:

At the June 08, 2023 Committee of the Whole (COTW) closed meeting, the committee considered a report on the allocation of community works funds distributed through the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM).

The committee resolved to release the report to the public following engagement with Westbank First Nation in response to a letter received by the Regional Board on <u>January 19, 2023</u>, and engagement with the Okanagan Indian Band and Regional District of North Okanagan on the proposed policy. As a result of this engagement, the report, attachments, and minutes, are now released to the public as attached, and the recommendations from the Committee of the Whole presented to the Board.

It is anticipated that in the first quarter (Q1) of 2024, the next ten (10) year agreement with UBCM for community works funds will be available for review. Should there be misalignment with the RDCO Community Works Fund Allocation policy, staff will advise the board accordingly.

Recommendation(s):

COTW Recommendation 1

All Directors – Weighted Corporate Vote – Simple Majority (LGA s.210)

THAT the Regional Board allocate funds currently held by RDCO, for eligible projects that meet the Community Works Fund criteria, as outlined in Table 1, Line a of the May 04, 2023, report from the Chief Administrative Officer as attached to the report from the Corporate Officer dated November 16, 2023; **AND THAT** the Regional Board directs that Electoral Area West outside of IR#9 and IR#10 receive no further allocation from funds currently held by the RDCO or received by the RDCO in the future until the allocation is rebalanced as outlined in this report in Table 1, Line a of the report.

COTW Recommendation 2

All Directors - Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority (LGA s.208)

THAT the Regional Board approves the Community Works Fund Allocation Policy as provided with the report from the Chief Administrative Officer dated May 04, 2023, and attached to the report from the Corporate Officer dated November 16, 2023;

AND THAT the Regional Board directs staff to apply this policy to Community Works Fund funds received in 2023 and subsequent years.

Attachment(s):

- 1. 2023-05-04 Community Works Fund Allocation Policy Report Package (RELEASED)
- 2. 2023-06-08 Committee of the Whole (closed) Meeting Minutes (RELEASED)
- 3. Community Works Fund Allocation Policy for approval