

Staff Report for Decision

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PARKS AND RECREATION

SUBJECT TRAVEL ASSISTANCE GRANT – NANAIMO DISTRICT LACROSSE

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OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To obtain Council approval of a request for a Travel Assistance Grant.

Recommendation

That the Finance and Audit Committee recommend that Council approve the request from the Nanaimo District Lacrosse Peewee C for a Travel Assistance Grant in the amount of \$700 for fourteen (14) players to attend the 2018 BC Lacrosse Provincial Championships held from 2018-JUL-12 through JUL-15.

BACKGROUND

The City of Nanaimo provides a contingency account for amateur sports and cultural groups, and individuals to travel within B.C. (excluding travel on Vancouver Island) and out of province to a Regional, National or International Championship. These funds are available to sports and cultural groups qualifying in Provincial or Regional competitions and the current policy provides \$50 per person to a maximum of \$1,000 per application for travel within B.C. or \$100 per person to a maximum of \$2,000 per application for travel outside of B.C. Requests are considered on a first-come, first-served, basis as funds remain available.

Staff review all Travel Assistance Grant applications and forward the recommendation to Council for approval.

On 2018-JUL-04, Staff reviewed a Travel Assistance Grant application submitted by the Nanaimo District Lacrosse Peewee C team in the amount of \$700 for fourteen (14) players to attend the 2018 BC Lacrosse Provincial Championships held from 2018-JUL-12 through JUL-15. Staff determined that this application met all of the grant criteria and recommend that Council approve the application.



OPTIONS

- 1. That the Finance and Audit Committee recommend that Council approve the request from the Nanaimo District Lacrosse Peewee C for a Travel Assistance Grant in the amount of \$700 for fourteen (14) players to attend the 2018 BC Lacrosse Provincial Championships held from 2018-JUL-12 through JUL-15.
 - **Budget Implication:** To date, there has been \$3,550 allocated or pending from the 2018 Travel Grant Contingency Funds. If the above travel grant of \$700 is approved \$3,250 will remain available for any additional 2018 travel grant requests.
 - **Engagement Implication:** Promotes excellence in sports and culture.
- 2. Deny the Travel Assistance Grant application.
 - **Budget Implication:** To date, there has been \$3,550 allocated or pending from the 2018 Travel Grant Contingency Funds. If the above travel grant of \$700 is denied, \$3,950 will remain available for any additional 2018 travel grant requests.

SUMMARY POINTS

- Funds are allocated yearly for Travel Assistance Grants.
- The group's application meets all of the required criteria.
- To date, there have been \$3,550 allocated or pending from the 2018 Travel Grants Contingency Funds and \$3,950 remains available for 2018 travel grant requests.

ATTACHMENTS

Travel Assistance Grant Application Travel Assistance Evaluation Form

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