

Request for Decision



To: Committee of the Whole

From: **Manager of Development and Engineering Services**

Date: December 11, 2017

Subject: Disc Golf Course Licence of Occupation and Course Budget

Recommendation: **THAT Committee of the Whole recommends to Council at the December 11, 2017 meeting to direct staff to include in the 2018 budget process the City's proposed contribution to Disc Golf budget as presented, and to finalize the Licence of Occupation with the Grand Forks Disc Sports Club for the proposed course site at 2699 68th Avenue pending the group's formation as a society.**

Background

- On July 17, 2017 Committee of the Whole, RDKB Electoral Area 'D' / Rural Grand Forks Director Roly Russell brought forth an opportunity to fund and develop a new disc golf course for City property west of Angus MacDonald Park, in conjunction with the Grand Forks Disc Sports Club.
- Council directed staff to investigate the feasibility of Parcel Z for this purpose, to work with the Disc Sports Club to develop a plan and stewardship agreement, develop a partnership with RDKB to deliver the possible project, and to bring a report forward by October 2017.
- On October 16th Council received an update report and presentation from Dan MacMaster of the Disc Sports Club and recommended to Council to consider establishment of the course at an upcoming meeting (October 30th). Funding discussions still needed to be finalized so the report was delayed until now.
- The draft budget attached to this report was developed by Director Russell in consultation with the Disc Sports Club and City Staff and based on similar projects in the region.
- Partnership funding and collaborative in-kind work will enable the Disc Sports group to develop this course cost-effectively. Funding from the Boundary Community Development Committee / Rural Grand Forks will be used immediately for purchase of some of the equipment, and the remainder of the funding from partners will be allocated once installation is ready to proceed in spring of 2018.
- The City's in-kind and cash contribution (\$8,000 and \$5,900, respectively, towards the total budget of \$41,900) would support the parking and staging area and some of the signage and garbage/recycling receptacles as per the parks standard materials.
- The Disc Sports group is still working towards developing into a new society, provisionally titled the Grand Forks Disc Sports Society. The department recommends completing the draft agreement (draft attached) with members of

the group and having the City sign off on the agreement once the new society is incorporated. Any equipment purchases or other spending before the enactment of the Licence will be held by the RDKB then committed to the project.

Benefits or Impacts

Strategic Impact



Community Engagement

- Demonstrates the strategic project of integrated recreation planning between Grand Forks and electoral area(s).



Community Livability

- Works towards the strategic priority of continuing investment in arts, culture, sport and heritage.



Fiscal Responsibility

- Public Works does not anticipate a significant increase in maintenance (mainly emptying of garbage and recycling receptacles)
- Valuable recreational amenity provided with no new City-owned assets developed

Attachments

Draft budget; Draft Licence of Occupation; Location Map

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Options

1. RESOLVED THAT Committee of the Whole accepts the report.
2. RESOLVED THAT Committee of the Whole does not accept the report.
3. RESOLVED THAT Committee of the Whole refers the matter back to staff for further information.

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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