

CORPORATE REPORT

NO: FOO2 COUNCIL DATE: FEBRUARY 3, 2014

FINANCE COMMITTEE

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: January 23, 2014

FROM: General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture FILE: 1850-01

General Manager, Finance & Technology

SUBJECT: 2014 BC Pee Wee Division Female Hockey Championships - Funding Request

RECOMMENDATION

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Department and the Finance and Technology Department recommend that the Finance Committee recommend that Council approve financial support for the Surrey Female Hockey Association (SFHA) in the amount of \$3,250 from the Council Initiatives Fund to assist with offsetting the costs of ice rentals associated with the SFHA hosting the BC Pee Wee Division Female Hockey Championships at the Cloverdale Arena in March 2014, all as generally described in this report.

INTENT

The purpose of this report is to seek approval for financial support to assist the Surrey Female Hockey Association host the BC Female Pee Wee Division Hockey Championships at the Cloverdale Arena between March 16th and March 21st, 2014.

BACKGROUND

The Surrey Female Hockey Association (SFHA) is a regular ice user at the Cloverdale Arena in Surrey. They are a non-profit association that provides organized hockey leagues for females of various age groups in the Surrey area. With the assistance of Sport Surrey, they have been successful in a bid to host the 2014 BC Peewee Division Female Hockey Championships in Surrey between March 16th and March 21st, 2014. The SFHA has requested financial support from the City in support of this tournament. A copy of the letter, dated December 18, 2013, which contains the request from the SFHA, is attached to this report as Appendix "A".

DISCUSSION

The tournament will include 7 teams of 11 and 12 year-old girls from across the Province along with their families. This is the first time the SFHA has been granted this opportunity and as outlined in their letter it is the first time they have requested support from the City. This event provides an opportunity to develop sport hosting skills in the SFHA. Developing local sport hosting experience and training volunteers is an important element in the City's Sport Tourism Strategy.

The budget for the tournament is attached to this report as Appendix "B". The ice costs as documented in the budget are projected to be \$9,800. The SFHA has requested that the City provide support in the amount of \$9,800 to cover all of the ice costs associated with the tournament.

Council has provided financial support to assist in offsetting facility rental costs associated with hosting other provincial, national and international tournaments in Surrey. For example, in 2011, Council provided \$3,000 to the Midget Boys A4 Provincial Hockey Championships to assist in offsetting some of costs of ice rentals associated with that tournament.

The Grants Evaluation Committee has considered the request and recommends that the City provide financial support to the SFHA in the amount \$3,250 to assist with offsetting ice rental costs, which amount would be consistent with the level of support provided to the BC Midget Hockey Championships in Surrey in 2011. It is further recommended that this funding be provided from the Council Initiatives Fund.

The status of Council Initiative Fund is documented in Appendix "C" attached to this report including the allocation recommended in this report.

SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

Hosting the 2014 BC Pee Wee Female Hockey Championships in Surrey will assist in achieving the objectives of the City's Sustainability Charter; more particularly, action item SC12: "Encourage and facilitate volunteerism and participation in community activities by persons of all ages, abilities and cultural communities."

CONCLUSION

Based on the above discussion, it is recommended that the Finance Committee recommend that Council approve financial support for the SFHA in the amount of \$3,250 from the Council Initiatives Fund to assist with offsetting the costs of ice rentals associated with the SFHA hosting the BC Pee Wee Division Female Hockey Championships at the Cloverdale Arena in March 2014, all as generally described in this report.

Laurie Cavan General Manager Parks, Recreation and Culture Vivienne Wilke, CGA General Manager Finance and Technology

Appendix "A" – Correspondence Surrey Falcons Female Hockey Appendix "B" – Budget for BC Hockey Championships- Female Pee Wee Tier 1 Appendix "C" – Status of the Council Initiatives Fund

Correspondence Surrey Falcons



December 18, 2013

Laurie Cavan General Manager City of Surrey, Parks and Recreation lcavan@surrey.ca

Dear Ms. Cavan,

Re: Request for Funding for 2014 BC Championships Surrey Female Hockey Association – Peewee Team

Please accept this as a letter of request from Surrey Female Hockey Association and their Hosting Committee for funding to assist in offsetting the costs for ice for the upcoming 2014 BC Provincial Championship Games – Peewee Division – Female Hockey. The Championships Games will be held March 16 – 21, 2014 at the Cloverdale Arena in Surrey, BC.

Surrey Female Hockey Association has been awarded the hosting privileges for the upcoming BC Championship Games. This will bring the top female Peewee teams from around the Province to Surrey to compete for the BC Championship banner. This is the first time that Surrey Female Hockey Association has been ever granted this opportunity and as such is the first time we have requested financial support from the City of Surrey.

While this is a great opportunity to profile not only female hockey and the City of Surrey there are significant costs associated with doing so. We have attached a draft budget of what the anticipated cost will be to host this event. As you will see, one of the largest costs is the ice rental.

We are requesting funds to offset the cost of the ice, which is approximately \$9,800.

Also attached is the Hosting Package submitted to BC Hockey in which you will find that the City of Surrey has been profiled. The package will be posted on the BC Hockey website and visiting teams will be referring to this package for accommodation, restaurants, medical facilities, entertainment in the area, etc.

We are very much looking forward to this event and appreciate the help that Lyn, at the Ice Allocation Office and Mike Fox from Sport Surrey have provided to date. Their patience, support and guidance have made this process much smoother.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at:

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We thank you for your consideration of this request and look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Lara Alexander & Anick Pasqua Co-Chair – 2014 BC Provincial Championship Games – Peewee Female

Appendix "B"

Budget for BC Hockey Championships- Female Pee Wee Tier 1

March 16-21, 2014- Surrey, BC Estimated Expenses

| Ice Rental: | \$ 9800 |
|----------------------|------------|
| Referees: | \$ 2860 |
| Banquet: | \$ 2800 |
| Awards: | \$ 75 |
| Banners and Signage: | \$ 250 |
| Programs: | \$ 1000 |
| Hospitality Room: | \$ 200 |
| Player Snacks: | \$ 200 |
| BC Hockey Rep: | \$ 400 |
| Miscellaneous: | \$ 1000 |

TOTAL: \$ 18,385



2014 FINANCIAL PLAN COUNCIL INITIATIVES

Appendix C

| | | Allocation | |
|---|-------------------|------------|------------|
| Description | Amount | to date | Remaining |
| | | | |
| 2014 Approved Budget | 250,000 | | \$ 353,026 |
| City of Bhangra Festival (Year 3 of 3) | 15,000 | | |
| Break the Silence on Violence against Women (year 2 of 2) | 5,000 | | |
| My Neighbourhood, My futures Initiative (year 2 of 5) | 40,000 | | |
| Surrey Steps Up: Youth Engagement Guest Speaker | 5,000 | | |
| BC Championship Female Hockey Association | 3,250 | | |
| Allocations for 2014 | 1 - | \$ 68,250 | \$ 284,776 |