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REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor & Council**

DATE: **April 12, 2016**

FROM: **General Manager, Finance & Technology**

FILE: **1850-20**

SUBJECT: **April Late Grant Applications**

RECOMMENDATION

The Finance & Technology Department recommends that Council approve the following grant recommendations:

1. Approve a grant in the amount of \$1,000 to Spinal Cord Injury BC to assist with the costs associated with their 2016 Surrey Peer Program community events, and
2. Approve a grant in the amount of \$2,500 to West Coast Kings Field Hockey Society to offset some of the costs associated with hosting the 2016 Canada Cup Field Hockey Tournament being held from July 15th through July 17th at Tamanawis Park.

BACKGROUND

On November 30, 2015, Council approved the City's "One Time" Grants for 2016. Since that time, the City has received late grant applications from Spinal Cord Injury BC and West Coast Kings Field Hockey Society. This report will address these requests.

DISCUSSION

Spinal Cord Injury BC

Spinal Cord Injury BC (SCI BC) is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to helping people with spinal cord injuries and related disabilities, adjust, adapt and thrive as they deal with a new injury or struggle with the ongoing challenges of living and aging with a disability. Since February 2015, SCI BC has been hosting informal social events in Surrey that have allowed people living with a spinal cord injury and their families and friends to come together to discuss their post-injury challenges including psychosocial wellbeing, and accessibility barriers. SCI BC is looking for assistance to help offset the costs of hosting community events in 2016. The peer support and mentoring that takes place during these community events are critical in helping people with spinal cord injuries integrate back into community life. SCI BC plans to participate in the following community events:

- Vaisakhi Parade, April 2016 (attend)
- Adaptive Yoga, May 2016 (attend)
- Go Fish! July 2016 (host)
- Adaptive Paddle Boarding Summer 2016 (host)

- Diwali celebration Fall 2016 (attend)

SCI BC is seeking a \$1,000 grant to assist with their 2016 Surrey Peer Program community events. The City of Surrey Community Grants Budget contains \$4,750 in unallocated funds for one-time grants.

The Grants Evaluation Committee has evaluated this request and has determined that the requested grant meets the evaluation criteria. It is therefore recommended that Council approve a grant of \$1,000, making use of the unallocated one-time funding.

West Coast Kings Field Hockey Society

The West Coast Kings Field Hockey Society will be hosting the 2016 Canada Cup Field Hockey Tournament from July 15th to July 17th at Tamanawis Park. The event will draw athletes from around the world and the organizers are expecting approximately 10,000 spectators through the 3-day event. The West Coast Kings Field Hockey Society has requested a grant in the amount of \$7,500 to offset the costs associated with hosting the 2016 Canada Cup Field Hockey Tournament.

The Grants Evaluation Committee has evaluated this request and has determined that a grant of \$2,500 would be reasonable in the context of similar requests that the City has received from other organizations involved in hosting international events and for which the City has provided financial assistance. It is further recommended that this funding be provided from the unallocated one-time grant funding.

Statement of Remaining Funding in the 2016 Grants Budget:

Should Council approve the Grants Evaluation Committee recommendations, Appendix "I" outlines the remaining balances for the 2016 City Grants Budget.

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Appendix "I" – Unallocated City Grants



**2016 FINANCIAL PLAN
CITY GRANTS**

Description	Amount	Allocation to Date	Remaining
Grants for Property Taxes			
Opening Balance			\$ 5,000
Masonic Building Assoc. of North Surrey	2,200		
Newton Neighbourhood Community Dog Park	9,800		
Transfer from unallocated one-time grants	(7,000)		
Allocation for 2016		\$ 5,000	\$ -
Grants for Dry Grads			
Opening Balance			4,500
Allocated via Corporate Report 2015-F028	1,500		
Allocation for 2016		\$ 1,500	3,000
Grants for Special Recognition			
Opening Balance			5,000
Volunteer Cancer Drivers Society	5,000		
Allocation for 2016		\$ 5,000	\$ -
Grants for One-time			
Opening Balance			66,850
Allocated via Corporate Report 2015-F028	53,600		
HOPE Symposium	1,500		
Transfer to property tax grants	7,000		
Spinal Cord Injury BC - (Proposed)	1,000		
West Coast Kings Field Hockey Society- (Proposed)	2,500		
Allocation for 2016		\$ 65,600	1,250