

CORPORATE REPORT

NO: R108 COUNCIL DATE: May 29, 2017

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: May 23, 2017

FROM: Acting General Manager, Finance & Technology FILE: 1850-20

SUBJECT: Late Grant Application - Sikh Motorcycle Club

RECOMMENDATION

The Finance & Technology Department recommends that Council:

- 1. Receive this report as information;
- 2. Approve a grant of \$500 from the 2017 One-Time Grants Budget to the Sikh Motorcycle Club in support of their Annual Dastaar & Dumaala Competition that will be held on Sunday, May 28, 2017 at the Bollywood Banquet Hall in Surrey; and
- 3. Transfer the unallocated Dry Grad funding to One-Time Grants funding.

BACKGROUND

On November 21, 2016, Council approved the City's 2017 Community Grants. Since that time, the City has received a late grant application from the Sikh Motorcycle Club. This report will address this request.

DISCUSSION

The Sikh Motorcycle Club is holding their 3rd Annual Dastaar & Dumaala Competition on Sunday, May 28th at the Bollywood Banquet Hall in Surrey. The event will continue to promote the Dastaar as an icon of the Sikh identity and promote the qualities of peace, love, and justice as practiced in the Sikh way of life. The Sikh Motorcycle Club will be inviting organizations to speak to youth about staying away from drugs and gang violence. They will also be inviting the Canada Border Security Agency and the RCMP to this event. This is a community event and will provide a platform for youth to appreciate cultural values and to stay away from drugs and gangs.

The Grants Evaluation Committee has evaluated this request and has determined that a grant of \$500 would be reasonable in the context of similar requests that the City has received from other organizations for which the City has provided financial assistance. It is further recommended that this funding be provided from the unallocated One-time grant funding. In order to ensure sufficient funding is available to meet this request and future requests that could be received, staff further recommend that the unallocated balance from the Dry Grad funding be reallocated to the One-time grant funding as further Dry Grad funding requests are not anticipated for 2017.

Statement of Remaining Funding in the 2017 Grants Budget:

Should Council approve the Grants Evaluation Committee's recommendation, Appendix "I" outlines the remaining balances for the 2017 City Grants Budget.

SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

Through the array of grants and sponsorships provided to community groups, the City is able to support the objectives of the Sustainability Charter. This request will specifically support the following Desired Outcomes:

- Inclusion DO1: Surrey welcomes, includes, embraces and values the diversity of people who live here;
- Inclusion DO2: Surrey is a caring and compassionate city that learns about and supports its residents of all backgrounds, demographics and life experiences;
- Public Safety DO3: There are minimal community safety issues in the city, and the public is fully engaged in preventing and reducing crime; and
- Public Safety DO4: Local residents and businesses are connected and engaged within their neighbourhoods and with the broader community including police, public safety partners and social service agencies to enhance safety.

CONCLUSION

Based on the above discussion, it is recommended that Council approve a grant of \$500 from the remaining 2017 One-Time Grants Budget to the Sikh Motorcycle Club to support their 3rd Annual Dastaar & Dumaala Competition.

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Appendix "I" - 2017 Community Grants



Description		Unallocated Balance	
Grants for Property Taxes			
Opening Balance	\$	5,000	
Available for Futre Allocation	\$	5,000	
Grants for Dry Grads			
Opening Balance	\$	4,500	
Clayton Heights Secondary		(250)	
Ecole Fraser Heights Secondary		(250)	
Ecole Kwantlen Park Secondary		(250)	
Fleetwood Park Secondary		(250)	
North Surrey Secondary		(250)	
Sullivan Heights Secondary		(250)	
Transfer to One-Time Grants (Proposed)		(3,000)	
Available for Futre Allocation	\$	-	
Grants for Special Recognition			
Opening Balance	\$	5,000	
Available for Futre Allocation	\$	5,000	
Grants for One-time			
Opening Balance	\$	62,000	
Allocated via Corporate Report 2016-F004		(56,350)	
Volunteer Cancer Drivers Society		(1,500)	
3300 BCR Bhai Kanhaiya RCACC		(1,000)	
Progressive Intercultural Community Services Society		(1,000)	
Sikh Motorcycle Club (Proposed)		(500)	
Transfer from One-Time Grants (Proposed)		3,000	
Available for Future Allocation	\$	4,650	