



**Village of Rycroft**  
**Request for Decision**  
**Council Meeting Date: August 15, 2023**

**TOPIC:** Alberta Community Partnership Grants for a Regional Infrastructure Master Plan project and a Regional Recreational Services and Facilities Study project.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

1. That Council supports the submission of a 2023/24 Alberta Community Partnership grant application for a Regional Infrastructure Master Plan project, AND THAT Administration be prepared to manage the grant project and related compliance requirements.
  
2. That Council supports the Municipal District of Spirit River's (Managing partner) submission of a 2023/24 Alberta Community Partnership grant application for a Regional Recreational Services and Facilities Study project.

**BACKGROUND:** As I had previously shared with Council, at the LGAA conference this year, we met with the Town of Spirit River administration and MPE Engineering to discuss options for the Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) grant this fall. Further to that, we had another meeting and included the MD of Spirit River administration. After considering options, administration recommends that we apply to the ACP Program in order to complete a Regional Infrastructure Master Plan. This project will update the 2016 Infrastructure Study the Village had done by assessing all of our roads, water, sewer, and building infrastructure. As last time, it will outline our priorities for the next 10 year capital plan.

Concurrently, the Municipal District of Spirit River will be the Managing partner on the submission of an ACP grant application for a Regional Recreational Services and Facilities Study project. The purpose of the Regional Recreation Master Plan study is to proactively conduct a regional review of the current state of recreational assets, programs, and services available in the region. This will also assess and identify the regional and municipal capacity to deliver recreational services deemed critical to the region's sustainability. It will be a partnership between the Town of Spirit River, the Municipal District of Spirit River, and the Village of Rycroft.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:** The grant maximum amount is \$200,000. There is no matching contribution required. The deadline for 2023-24 IC applications is October 2, 2023.

**POLICY AND/OR LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS:** None.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:** Council could decline to participate and accept the topic for information.

**ATTACHMENTS:** Draft Grant Applications.

Peter Thomas  
Chief Administrative Officer

August 9, 2023  
Date