

Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87

Request for Decision (RFD)

Meeting:	Regular Meeting of Council
Meeting Date:	May 14, 2024
Originated By:	Esther Quiambao, General Manager of Planning and Community Services
Title:	Clayton Bellamy Foundation for the Arts – Request for Additional Funding

PROPOSAL & BACKGROUND

At the December 12, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council, the Clayton Bellamy Foundation for the Arts (Foundation) presented an additional funding request to the M.D. for the new Strathcona Performing Arts Centre project. Following the presentation, Council requested Administration to bring the item to a future meeting of Council following the adoption of the 2023 Annual Financial Statement (Res. #24.013) in late Spring 2024.

Administration is now bringing the item forward again for further consideration by Council.

DISCUSSION ON BENEFITS, DISADVANTAGES & OPTIONS

In Summer 2023, the M.D. approved funding to a maximum of \$178,000.00 in matching dollars towards the construction of the Foundation's new Performing Arts Centre. The recognition offered and provided to the M.D. for this level of contribution was a large plaque on the project's Memorial Wall; recognition on the Foundation's website and social media; and the M.D. logo placement on the project's entranceway monitors.

As presented by the delegation in December 2023, the preliminary cost estimate for this project from the contracted architect was \$1.4 million. However, following their subsequent construction tender process, the actual cost they have now been provided is \$2.4 million. Therefore, the Foundation is requesting additional funding from the M.D. as well as other supporting groups. Both the City of Cold Lake and the Town of Bonnyville have denied similar additional funding requests.

The Foundation is also undertaking and creating more fundraising and sponsorship program opportunities and reapplying for a CFEP provincial grant.

Attached for Council's review is the supporting documentation provided by the Foundation during their presentation on December 12, 2023:

- Appendix A: BPAT – Cost Estimate
- Appendix B: BPAT – Letter of Intent
- Appendix C: CBFA Financials to September 18, 2023

REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 1: Building a Prosperous and Sustainable Community

REFERENCE TO PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL LEGISLATION

N/A

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING

Costs:

- No specific funding amount was stated in their presentation.
- Council approved a matching contribution of \$178,000 through the Major Capital Project stream of the Community Action Grant Policy in 2023.

Source of Funding:

- No funds are identified for this project in the 2024 Operating Budget.
- 2024 Council Operating Budget (Grants to Industry & Non-Government Organizations) Remaining Balance = \$1,000

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

The delegation will be notified in writing of the decision of Council

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDED ACTION

THAT Council maintains financial support to the Clayton Bellamy Foundation for the Arts Strathcona Centre for the Performing Arts Project at a maximum value of \$178,000, as previously approved.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

1. THAT Council maintains financial support to the Clayton Bellamy Foundation for the Arts Strathcona Centre for the Performing Arts Project to a maximum value of \$178,000, as previously approved.
2. THAT Council approves \$_____ in additional funding to the Clayton Bellamy Foundation for the Arts Strathcona Centre for the Performing Arts Project to be funded from _____.

Report Approval Details

Document Title:	Clayton Bellamy Foundation for the Arts - Request for Additional Funding.docx
Attachments:	- Appendix A - BPAT Cost Estimate.pdf - Appendix B - BPAT - Letter of Intent.pdf - Appendix C - CBFA Financial to Sept 8, 2023.pdf
Final Approval Date:	May 1, 2024

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

Stephanie Severin