



Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87

Request for Decision (RFD)

Meeting: Regular Meeting of Council
Meeting Date: July 9, 2024
Originated By: Al Hoggan, Chief Administrative Officer
Title: Regional Sports Tourism Committee and 2026 Winter Games

PROPOSAL & BACKGROUND

In early June of 2024, City of Cold Lake Mayor and Chair of the 2026 Alberta Winter Games Society, Craig Copeland, requested transfer of the M.D. committed funding of \$250,000 to the Lakeland Region Alberta Winter Games 2026 Society. M.D. Council has set the approved funds aside in a reserve for this purpose.

DISCUSSION ON BENEFITS, DISADVANTAGES & OPTIONS

The Regional Sports Tourism Committee is required to pass an annual budget pursuant to the Committee's Terms of Reference. To date, no budget has been passed by the Committee and as a result the M.D. has had no approved budget by which to reimburse M.D. members expenses.

The Terms of Reference states as follows:

- (1) The initial source of funding for the RSTC will be provided through an annual equal share of funding from each partnering municipality to establish an operational budget.*
- (4) An annual budget shall be provided to each partnering municipality, including forecasted expenses and potential costs for pending event approvals, for their annual budget deliberations.*

As a result, I have directed members expenses to be paid through the \$250,000 held in reserve for the 2026 Winter Games. The amount of expenses paid through the \$250,000 held in reserve for the Winter Games is 917.80 and the remaining balance is \$249,082.20.

REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN

N/A

REFERENCE TO PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL LEGISLATION

N/A

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING

Municipal Reserves

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

N/A

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDED ACTION

THAT Council directs Administration to forward the remaining funds committed for the 2026 Winter Games in the amount of \$249,082.20 from municipal reserves to the Lakeland Region Alberta Winter Games 2026 Society.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

1. THAT Council directs Administration to forward the remaining funds committed for the 2026 Winter Games in the amount of \$249,082.20 from municipal reserves to the Lakeland Region Alberta Winter Games 2026 Society.
2. THAT Council directs Administration to forward the funds committed for the 2026 Winter Games in the amount of \$250,000 from municipal reserves to the Lakeland Region Alberta Winter Games 2026 Society and furthermore that the balance of \$917.80 be paid from _____.
3. THAT Council refers the request for payment of the funds committed for the 2026 Winter Games back to Administration for additional information regarding _____ and to bring it back to a future meeting of Council.

Report Approval Details

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

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