

Wheatland County

Request for Decision

Regular Council Meeting

June 16, 2020

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Playground Equipment Funding Policy

Recommendation from Administration

THAT Council approve the Playground Equipment Funding Policy Section 15.3 as presented.

Chief Administrative Officer's Comments

N/A

Report

Administration presented the draft Playground Equipment Funding Policy at the April 21, 2020 regular Council meeting.

Council requested that revisions to the draft policy be made, and to have a more fulsome discussion at a Council and Administration Planning and Priorities meeting.

Council reviewed the revisions of draft policy and provided direction and further refinement to form the final policy draft.

The County is committed to quality recreation and expanding opportunities for ratepayers. This policy's main objectives are to ensure responsible utilization of tax dollars and community support for playground equipment projects. The Playground Equipment Funding Policy provides a framework for playground equipment community requests on county owned land.

Relevant Policies, Practices, and Legislation

Best practices for playground equipment is to ensure that the equipment meets CSA standards; which includes equipment, installation, safety surfacing, and maintenance.

Alignment with the Strategic Plan

Community Service planning in order to ensure that our public spaces are both planned according to our statutory plans and maintained to an appropriate service delivery standard.

Response Options

Option 1: THAT the proposed recommendation is accepted/approved.

Option 2: THAT the proposed recommendation is not accepted/approved.

Option 3: THAT an alternate recommendation is accepted/approved.

Implications of Recommendation

General

Staff will still work with community groups, ratepayers, and experts to identify funding sources and prioritize annual asset replacement.

Organizational

No additional resources are required

Financial

The financial implications are:

- the capital cost of matching up to 50% of the playground equipment project
- maintenance of the equipment

The maintenance cost would vary depending on a number of factors such as the size, type and the lifecycle of the equipment. These maintenance items include safety inspections, repairs, maintenance of structure and protective surfacing.

Environmental, Staff, and Public Safety

Public safety is addressed in the policy delivering equipment with CSA standards and proper maintenance after the installation to ensure safety.

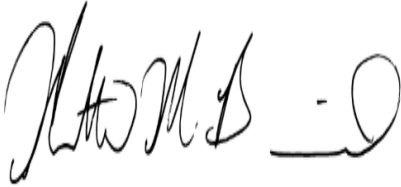
Follow-up Action / Communications

Inform community groups of the new policy and any implications arising.

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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Matthew Boscarol