



REQUEST FOR DECISION

MEETING DATE: October 15, 2024

TITLE: Public Delegation - Spruce Grove-Stony Plain Filipino Canadian Association - Public Budget Submission

DIVISION: Strategic and Communication Services

SUMMARY:

Each year, resident and community groups have an opportunity to make a public budget submission to the City of Spruce Grove for consideration when developing the Corporate Plan and for Council to ask any questions for clarification. This year's submissions presented their requests at the September 9, 2024 Regular Council Meeting, but one additional public budget submission from the Spruce Grove-Stony Plain Filipino Canadian Association (SSFCA) was missed due to a technical error. Council will make the formal decision on whether to fund all public budget submission as part of the corporate planning process in the fall.

PROPOSED MOTION:

A motion is not required.

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

Each year, residents, and community groups have an opportunity to make a public budget submission to the City of Spruce Grove for consideration for funding as part of the corporate planning process. The 2024 public budget submission process opened on May 2, 2024, and closed on June 20, 2024.

Due to a technical error, the submission by the SSFCA was not received by Administration and this error was caught when SSFCA reached out and requested an update on their submission. As there was no time to prepare for the September 9, 2024 Public Budget Submissions Presentations to Council, their opportunity to present their request was moved to the October 15, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.

The SSFCA is seeking multi-year grant funding (\$26,500 in total over four years) to celebrate and preserve the cultural heritage of the Filipino community. This funding would incorporate culture experiences and artifacts into their infrastructure spaces and enhance culture programming events, thereby creating a vibrant and enriching environment for all. The request for funding each year is as follows:

2025: \$7,300 for a day market that showcases Filipino culture.

2026: \$5,300 for a Youth Engagement and Leadership Program, Art Exhibition, Performances, and Workshop.

2027: \$7,400 for Family and Mental Health Workshop / Sports and Fitness Activities / Cooking Contest.

2028: \$6,500 for a collaboration with local artists as part of a Cultural Exchange.

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

n/a

CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:

The opportunity to make a public budget submission for consideration in the Corporate Plan was advertised through the City's website, social media, on the reader boards, and digital signs across the City.

IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:

This year's submissions will be reviewed by Administration and provided to Council, along with funding recommendations from Administration, as part of the 2025 - 2027 Recommended Corporate Plan and November Governance and Priorities Committee corporate planning deliberations. Council will make the final decision on which public budget submissions will be included as part of the approved 2025 - 2027 Corporate Plan. Applicants will be notified of the decision made by Council on their request after the 2025 - 2027 Corporate Plan is formally approved.

IMPACTS:

n/a

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Financial impacts of all public budget submissions will be discussed during the November 4 -7, 2024 Governance and Priorities Committee Corporate Plan deliberations meeting.