

January 30, 2017

To: His Worship the Mayor  
And Members of City Council

Re: Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program Approved Projects

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RECOMMENDATION

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
- JANUARY 18, 2017**

1. That the following projects be approved for funding as part of the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program (the Program):
  - (1) Rehabilitation of Four Spray Parks;
  - (2) Upgraded Lighting in Four Indoor Ice Arenas;
  - (3) Upgraded Lighting at the Lawson Aquatic Centre and the Field House.
2. That City Council grant the City Manager or designate the authority to negotiate and approve the Contribution Agreements for projects submitted for funding through the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program.
3. That the City Clerk be authorized to sign the applicable funding agreements on behalf of the City once the agreements have been reviewed and approved by the City Solicitor.

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The Committee adopted a resolution to concur in the recommendation contained in the report. Recommendation #4 does not require City Council approval.

Mayor Michael Fougere, Councillors: Bob Hawkins (Chairperson), Sharron Bryce, Lori Bresciani, John Findura, Jason Mancinelli, Joel Murray, Mike O'Donnell, Andrew Stevens and Barbara Young were present during consideration of this report by the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee, at its meeting held on January 18, 2017, considered the following report from the Administration:

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4. That this report be forwarded to the January 30, 2017 meeting of City Council.

## CONCLUSION

On Tuesday, December 20, 2016, the Honourable Ralph Goodale, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, and Member of Parliament for Regina-Wascana and Mayor Fougere participated in a media event, announcing several approved Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program projects across the province. This announcement included the three projects specific to the City of Regina, as noted above. Subsequently, federal Contribution Agreements were received by the Administration for review and approval. To facilitate and initiate construction of the projects, the Contribution Agreements must be signed and executed in short order due to the timelines involved with completion of the projects.

## BACKGROUND

The Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program is part of Canada 150 Celebrates, the Government of Canada's celebration of our country's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Confederation in 2017. Through investments in community infrastructure, the Government of Canada will invest in projects that celebrate our heritage, create jobs, and improve the quality of life for Canadians.

The first intake for applications under this Program occurred in mid-2015. The City of Regina (City), through this process, received funding in the amount of \$200,000 for the North West Leisure Centre. This project involved renovations to the indoor swimming pool that included the installation of ultraviolet secondary water treatment equipment and upgrading of the lighting.

The Government of Canada's 2016 Budget provided an additional \$150 million over two years to Canada's Regional Development Agencies to deliver community funding across the country in 2016-17. The Program looked to invest in projects supporting the renovation, expansion and improvements to existing community infrastructure, with a focus on recreational facilities,



\$200,000 City of Regina funding

## RECOMMENDATION IMPLICATIONS

### Financial Implications

The Government of Canada, through the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program, will contribute 50 per cent of the cost of each project approved.

The City of Regina funding for these projects is currently included in the 2017 Facilities Asset Management Program (General Capital Fund) within the proposed 2017 budget that will be discussed by Council at the special budget meeting occurring February 13, 2017.

### Environmental Implications

The upgraded lighting at the Lawson Aquatic Centre and the lighting at the four indoor ice arenas is anticipated to provide a 25 per cent energy savings, compared to the existing lighting systems.

### Policy and/or Strategic Implications

None with respect to this report.

### Other Implications

The new indoor ice arena surface lighting improvements will result in reduced energy consumption.

The upgraded lighting at the Lawson Aquatic Centre and the Field House will result in a reduction in energy consumption.

### Accessibility Implications

None with respect to this report.

## COMMUNICATIONS

The Contribution Agreements contain a Communications Protocol which will be adhered to.

## DELEGATED AUTHORITY

That Council, under section 35 of The Administration Bylaw, grant the City Manager the authority to negotiate and approve the funding agreement(s) for projects submitted for funding through the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program.

Respectfully submitted,

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Nicol", written in a cursive style.

Jim Nicol, Secretary