

December 13, 2017

To: Members  
Executive Committee

Re: 2018 Budget Submissions – Provincial Capital Commission (PCC); Regina Exhibition Association Limited (REAL); Economic Development Regina (EDR); Regina Public Library (RPL)

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RECOMMENDATION

That the 2018 budgets as presented from Provincial Capital Commission (PCC) attached as Appendix A, Regina Exhibition Association Limited (REAL) attached as Appendix B, Economic Development Regina (EDR) attached as Appendix C, and the Regina Public Library (RPL) attached as Appendix D, be referred to the 2018 budget process.

CONCLUSION

It has been the practice for the PCC, REAL, EDR and the RPL to provide the Executive Committee with a presentation outlining their work plan and budget request for the coming year. For PCC, REAL and EDR the purpose is to inform the Committee of the community investment that is being requested by these organizations for future budget deliberations by City Council. For the RPL the purpose is to present their budget and request a mill rate for the upcoming year to be deliberated and approved by City Council.

BACKGROUND

On February 27, 2018, City Council will discuss the 2018 General Operating Budget. Included in this budget will be the Community Investment Allocation to Executive Committee, which includes annual funding to REAL, EDR and the PCC. Also included is the RPL mill rate ask for 2018.

DISCUSSION

**Provincial Capital Commission (PCC)**

The PCC assumed operations of the Wascana Center Authority as part of the 2017 Provincial Budget. Details of the transition have not been finalized. In the interim, funding will remain as it did under *The Wascana Centre Act*. *The Wascana Centre Act* was established in 1962 by the Government of Saskatchewan. The Act established a Board of Directors to represent WCA's three participating parties - Province of Saskatchewan, City of Regina and University of Regina. Wascana Centre encompasses 2,300 acres of land within the City of Regina and includes numerous tenants and landowners.

PCC provides oversight and stewardship of the lands within Wascana Centre in a manner to fulfill the vision of being a place of recreation and beauty for all to enjoy throughout the seasons, the pride of Saskatchewan. The majority of revenue is in the form of grant contributions from the PCC's participating parties: Government of Saskatchewan 55%, City of Regina 30% and University of Regina 15%.

PCC has presented a total request from the City of Regina of \$2,719,000, which is a decrease of \$193,000 from the total 2017 request. This includes an ongoing operating funding of \$2,119,000 and a capital request of \$600,000 (a decrease of \$193,000) in 2018. The decrease of \$193,000 relates to one time funding for improvements to Candy Cane Park.

### **Regina Exhibition Association Limited (REAL)**

The Regina Exhibition Association Limited (REAL) is the non-profit corporation that is responsible for the stewardship, development, promotion and overall management of Evraz Place for the City of Regina. REAL is a large, multi-purpose event complex boasting over 1.2 million square feet of fully connected indoor space and over thirty (30) acres of outdoor usable space located in the heart of Regina - in close proximity to the Regina International Airport and downtown.

REAL is requesting \$400,000 in funding in 2018, which is the same as the 2017 approved funding.

### **Economic Development Regina (EDR)**

EDR's mandate is to create and implement an economic development strategy to grow and sustain prosperity in the Regina region; encourage the retention, development, attraction and growth of business and tourism products and services for those who live, work, visit and invest in the Regina region; and market and promote the Regina region for business and tourism.

EDR is requesting funding of \$1,719,500 in 2018, which is the same as the 2017 core funding. There is the removal of one-time funding of \$100,000 from the 2017 approved funding.

### **Regina Public Library (RPL)**

The Regina Public Library promotes and supports cultural, economic, educational and recreational development in the City through collections, programs and services.

Under Section 22(1) of *The Public Libraries Act*, the Board of the Regina Public Library is required to ask City Council for approval of the mill rate request. The 2018 Library mill rate request is 0.71989. This is the same as the 2017 mill rate.

## **RECOMMENDATION IMPLICATIONS**

### **Financial Implications**

None related to this report. The 2018 budget allocations for the PCC, REAL, EDR and the RPL mill rate will be determined by City Council through future budget deliberations.

Environmental Implications

None with respect to this report

Policy and/or Strategic Implications

None with respect to this report

Other Implications

None with respect to this report

Accessibility Implications

None with respect to this report

COMMUNICATIONS

The Provincial Capital Commission, Regina Exhibition Association Limited, Economic Development Regina and the Regina Public Library will be advised of the decision of City Council.

DELEGATED AUTHORITY

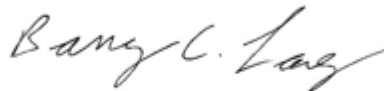
The recommendations contained in this report require City Council approval.

Respectfully submitted,



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Respectfully submitted,



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