

Report to Council



Date: September 24, 2018
File: 1840-10
To: City Manager
From: Senior Project Manager
Subject: 2018 Budget Amendment – Laurel Packinghouse Museum Courtyard

Recommendation:

THAT Council receives for information the report from the Senior Project Manager dated September 24, 2018 regarding the 2018 Budget Amendment for the Laurel Packinghouse Museum Courtyard project;

AND THAT the 2018 Financial Plan be amended to increase the budget for the Laurel Packinghouse Museum Courtyard project by \$235,000, funded from an approved BC Gaming Grant.

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Purpose:

To change the source of funding for the development of the Laurel Packinghouse Courtyard project to using \$235,000 in BC Gaming Grant funding received.

Background:

The City of Kelowna has a partnership with the Kelowna Museum Society to develop the vacant space south of the Laurel Packinghouse Museum as an interpretive courtyard for public use and museum programs.

The original Council-approved budget for the project included \$165,000 from the City (funded from taxation) and \$150,000 from the Museum Society, with the remainder to come from grants. On October 2, 2017, after an attempt to secure a federal cultural spaces grant had failed, and in the interest of moving the project forward, Council approved increasing the project budget by a maximum of \$200,000 (funded from the Capital Opportunities and Partnership Program). Since then the Museum Society has been notified that it was successful in securing a \$235,000 Capital Project Grant from the Gaming Branch for the project. With the increase in budget afforded by the grant it will be possible for the project to move ahead. Construction would be complete by June 2019.

Financial/Budgetary Considerations:

The 2018 Financial Plan will need to be amended to include the \$235,000 in BC Gaming Grant funding received for the Laurel Packinghouse Museum Courtyard Capital project. Furthermore, due to

anticipated cost increases, staff are recommending that up to \$80,000 of the \$200,000 originally approved by Council on October 2, 2017 continue to be made available to cover bid & construction contingency for this \$630,000 project. The remaining \$120,000 of the \$200,000 currently being held in reserve would not be used.

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Considerations not applicable to this report:

Legal/Statutory Authority:
Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements:
Existing Policy:
Personnel Implications:
External Agency/Public Comments:
Communications Comments:
Alternate Recommendation:

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