

Agenda Item: D.2

Request for Decision

Title	Building Sturgeon Fund – Major Community Building Infrastructure				
Proposed Motion	That Council direct Administration to initiate CONSULT phase of the External Public Engagement Plan related to the 2017-19 Corporate Business Plan Initiative 3.2.B Capital Infrastructure Grant Program, in anticipation of Building Sturgeon Fund implementation in 2018.				
Administrative Recommendation	Administration recommends initiating engagement to ensure balanced scope, timing and Sturgeon County Council's autonomous and informed decision making				
Previous Council Direction	December 13, 2016-Motion 449/16: That Council approve the 2017 - 2019 Corporate Business Plan.				
	October 11, 2016-Motion 360/16: That Council approve the Public Engagement Policy as presented. September 13, 2016- Motion 304/16: That Council endorse the development of a capital grant program in the 2017 Corporate Business Plan, established under the refinery revenue plan to fund major community building infrastructure projects in the Sturgeon Region from 2018 to 2022.				
Report	 Sturgeon County is committed to engaging in meaningful public engagement. Public Engagement will involve consultation with the external stakeholders as per the attached plan (Attachment #1) with two objectives in mind: Final grant program will be informed and reflective of the unique and broad community needs reflective of a made in Sturgeon Solution. Grant program administration is conducted in a transparent and accountable manner. Key internal stakeholder groups will include Council, Project Sponsor, Financial Services, Corporate Communications and Information Services. External Stakeholders including Community Services Advisory Board and Regional Municipal CAO's will be asked to participate at the inform level of public impact. 				

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External Communication

None at this stage.

Relevant Policy/Legislation/Practices:

Public Engagement Policy

Implication of Administrative Recommendation

Strategic Alignment:

Strong Local Governance and Regional Leadership – Sturgeon County is committed to open, accountable and responsive decision-making, which includes appropriate and timely levels of engagement with the public.

Organizational:

This public consultation was planned work associated with the Corporate Initiative and included in the Department Business Plan. Based on CONSULT aspect, staff will initiate planning of subsequent INFORM phase to stakeholders identified in Attachment #1.

Financial:

None at this time.

Alternatives Considered

Amendments to the plan stakeholders and engagement tools could be approved by Council.

Implications of Alternatives

Strategic Alignment:

Commitment to high quality public engagement will not be impacted.

Organizational:

 Workplan adjustments can be incorporated. Changes in scope will affect timing.

Financial:

No material costs associated with the engagement.

Follow up Action

- 1. Facilitate CSAB workshop (Community Services, January 2017)
- 2. Book meetings with individual municipalities in the Region (Community Services March 2017)
- 3. Share findings with Council at the April Workshop (Community Services April 2017)

Attachment(s)

- 1. External Public Engagement Plan (Attachment #1)
- 2. Public Engagement Policy (Attachment #2)

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Strategic Alignment Checklist

Vision: Sturgeon County: a diverse, active community that pioneers opportunities and promotes initiative while embracing rural lifestyles.

Mission: Provide quality, cost effective services and infrastructure to meet the diverse needs of the Sturgeon County community, while improving competitiveness and sustainability.

Focus Areas	Not consistent	N/A	Consistent
Strong Local Governance and Regional Leadership			
We promote consistent and accountable leadership through collaborative and transparent processes (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)			×
Consistent with neighborhood role (see MDP), master plans,, policies			\boxtimes
Considers fiscal stability and sustainability			\boxtimes
Has a positive impact on regional and sub-regional cooperation			×
Respect the Natural Environment			
We acknowledge the importance of a healthy environment and will minimize and monitor our impact on ecosystems (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)		×	
 Compliance with Provincial and Federal regulations and/or legislation 			
Ensure effective environmental risk management		×	
Community Identity & Spirit			
We will build upon our strengths, where together we will create an inclusive, caring community (Strategic Plan, (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)			×
Promotes and/or enhances residents' identification with Sturgeon County			\boxtimes
Enhances service provision through community partnerships			
Supports Sturgeon County's cultural history			×
Planned Growth and Prosperity			
We encourage varied and integrated enterprises that enhance our strong economic base, while balancing the needs of the community and natural environment. (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)			⊠
 Does the proposal align with the Integrated Regional Growth Strategy (map/policies) pg. 26 MDP 			⊠
Considers cumulative costs and long-term funding implications			
Targets growth around current or planned infrastructure			×
Maintain and Enhance Strong Communities			
We are committed to a safe, secure community, where our residents are respected and provided with access to opportunities. (Strategic Plan, pg. 27 MDP)			×
Positive impact on residents' quality of life			
Supports and promotes volunteer efforts			
Provides programs and services that are accessible to all residents			
Operational Excellence			
We have the organizational capability to deliver consistent and defined levels of service to all stakeholders in a professional, efficient, and cost effective manner			⊠
Staff have the knowledge, skills and capability to perform their jobs			×
Streamlines operational processes and policies			
Promotes engagement and professional interaction with stakeholders			
 Considers a cost-structure which allows Sturgeon County to remain competitive within a regional, national and global context 			⊠

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