

To: Chris Ross
Cc: Council
From: Matthew Goudy, CAO
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RE: Athletic Park and Performing Arts Grant Status

Councillor Ross:

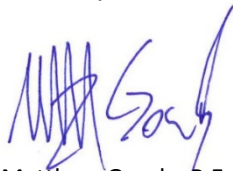
Thank you for your message requesting an update on the status of provincial and federal grant applications by two non-profit Lacombe organizations who have requested City collaboration in capital development projects proposed to increase service levels to the community.

City Administration expects that both organizations may return to Council with financial investment and partnership proposals following decisions on their grant applications. The Lacombe Athletic Park Association have not yet received a decision on an Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) grant for their fieldhouse expansion and track installation, and plan to apply for a Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) grant shortly. The Lacombe Performing Arts Centre Foundation applied for a CFEP grant and were not successful; they are able to apply again in October 2019 and up to twice per year as long as the program continues.

These grant programs receive a high volume of applications and are able to approve very few; the potential for Lacombe groups to achieve timely grant funding for their projects is relatively low. Both groups are actively fundraising in the community by staging events and seeking private donations and in-kind contributions, in addition to hoping the City can collaborate in their planned development.

I trust this interim update fulfills your information requirements at this time.

Sincerely,



Matthew Goudy, P.Eng
Chief Administrative Officer