



Staff Report

Community Services

Report To: COW- Admin, Corp and Finance, SI, Comm. Services
Meeting Date: April 7, 2025
Report Number: CS.25.009
Title: Leisure Activity Plan Status Update
Prepared by: Ryan Gibbons, Director Community Services

A. Recommendations

THAT Council receive Staff Report CS.25.009, entitled "Leisure Activity Plan Status Update" for information purposes.

B. Overview

This report is coming to Council as a status update on the Leisure Activities Plan 2021 in response to a notice of motion. The attached document identifies the status of recommendations from the consultant.

C. Background

June 16, 2020, Committee of the Whole received staff report, CSOPS.20.042, Request to Single Source Leisure Activities Plan Consulting Services:

B.9.2 Request to Single Source Leisure Activities Plan Consulting Services, CSOPS.20.042

Moved by: Peter Bordignon Seconded by: Paula Hope

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.20.042, entitled "Request to Single Source Leisure Activities Plan Consulting Services";

AND THAT Council approve the 2020 Leisure Activities Plan to proceed as outlined in the 2020 Approved Budget, as required by Council as this project has a total funding request of over \$50,000;

AND THAT Council reduce the overall budget for the Leisure Activity Plan from \$290,000 to \$87,850;

AND THAT Council redirect the 2020 Taxation savings of \$137,275 to cover the additional costs and lost revenues due to the COVID-19 Pandemic;

AND THAT Council approve the single sourcing of the 2020 Leisure Activities Plan Consulting Services to Dunbar & Associates at a total price of \$47,850.00 plus taxes, as outlined in the unsolicited proposal provided by Dunbar & Associates.

Council approved the Leisure Activities Plan in June 28, 2021 through the following motion:

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.21.030, entitled "Draft Leisure Activities Plan Update";

AND THAT Council receives the Leisure Activities Plan Update 2020;

AND THAT Council approves the recommendations listed in the Leisure Activities Plan Update 2020 Executive Summary for consideration through future budget processes;

AND THAT Council directs staff to include a budget item in the 2022 budget to survey all Town owned waterfront properties that do not have current surveys;

AND THAT Council directs staff to address all encroachments on Town owned waterfront properties;

AND THAT Council directs staff to conduct a multi-use community hub facility study with funds that were approved in the 2021 budget process.

D. Analysis

This report is presented for information purposes, detailing the status of the 127 recommendations provided by the consultants. Currently, 91% of these are either complete, ongoing, or in progress with 11 outstanding items:

3 of the outstanding recommendations are scheduled for action between 2025 and 2030, focusing on:

- Indoor Tennis facilities
- Curling collaboration
- Establishment of a community-based athletic field advisory body

3 require additional staffing support, which has not yet been achieved:

- Programming staff increases
- Transportation Master Plan and Active Transportation staffing
- Development of a canopy cover policy – Urban Forestry

2 items are beyond the control of Community Services or necessitate prioritization for community benefit:

- Allocation of funds from land sales to the Community Services reserve
- Confirming public opinion on a wakeboard or cable park

This leaves 3 items (2%) that are either incomplete or not in progress, which were intended to be addressed within the current timeline, had the necessary resources, and were within the authority of the staff to execute.

Total Recommendations	Complete / Ongoing	In Process / Ongoing	Not Started
127	80 / 63%	36 / 28%	11 / 9%

E. Strategic Priorities

1. Communication and Engagement

We will enhance communications and engagement between Town Staff, Town residents and stakeholders

2. Organizational Excellence

We will continually seek out ways to improve the internal organization of Town Staff and the management of Town assets.

3. Community

We will protect and enhance the community feel and the character of the Town, while ensuring the responsible use of resources and restoration of nature.

4. Quality of Life

We will foster a high quality of life for full-time and part-time residents of all ages and stages, while welcoming visitors.

F. Environmental Impacts

None at this time

G. Financial Impacts

None at this time

H. In Consultation With

Terry Green, Manager of Parks and Trails

Aaron McMullen, Manager of Facilities / BVCC / Tomahawk Golf Course

Katie Love, Administrative Assistant – Community Services

I. Public Engagement

The topic of this Staff Report has not been the subject of a Public Meeting and/or a Public Information Centre as neither a Public Meeting nor a Public Information Centre are required. However, any comments regarding this report should be submitted to Ryan Gibbons, Director Community Services directorcs@thebluemountains.ca.

J. Attached

1. Leisure Activity Plan 2025 Progress Report

Respectfully submitted,

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