

# **REPORT**

To: Chair and Directors Report Number: CS-BRD-339

From: NP Leisure Facility Replacement Steering Committee Date: July 18, 2024

Subject: North Peace Leisure Facility Replacement Steering Committee Recommendation from July

9, 2024

The following recommendation from the North Peace Leisure Facility Replacement Steering Committee meeting held on July 9, 2024 are presented to the Regional Board for consideration:

### **RECOMMENDATION:** [Corporate Unweighted]

That the Regional Board explore grant funding and partnership opportunities to reduce the cost of the project in response to concerns raised during Phase 3 Public Engagement for the North Peace Leisure Facility Replacement Project, prior to moving forward with a new facility or project referendum; further that all grant funding and partnership opportunities be identified to the NP Leisure Facility Replacement Steering Committee for their consideration.

# **BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:**

The draft minutes of the North Peace Leisure Facility Replacement Steering Committee meeting held on July 9, 2024 are provided on the Consent Calendar of this meeting agenda.

#### Recommendation #1

Please <u>click here</u> to access the Committee Agenda, please see Item 7.2 to review the report.

#### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:**

1. That the Regional Board provide further direction.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:

## FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

None at this time.

# **COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):**

None at this time.

### OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

At the July 9 meeting, the Committee also considered a recommendation to examine the existing North Peace Leisure Pool to determine the possibility of refurbishment/expansion of the facility to meet the expressed aquatic/recreation needs of the Region. It was noted that a variety of condition assessments

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have been completed on the NP Leisure Pool to date, which suggest that refurbishment may be challenging, and that end-of-life recommendations on the facility are delegated to the North Peace Leisure Pool Commission and not the Facility Replacement Steering Committee. Additional investigation into refurbishment was not completely ruled out as the Committee chose to defer a decision on this recommendation to a later date, pending receipt of investigation into grant funding and partnership opportunities as the preferred option.

#### External Links:

1. Report CS-NPLFRC – 034, Proposed Project Next Steps – Complete Further Study and Explore Funding Opportunities

(July 9, 2024 NP Leisure Facility Replacement Steering Committee Meeting, Agenda Item 7.2)