



# REPORT

To: Chair and Directors

Report Number: ADM-BRD-007

From: Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer

Date: June 16, 2020

**Subject: Regional Grant-in-Aid & Economic Development Grants Workshop**

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

That the Regional Board schedule a Special Meeting for Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup> to review Regional Grants in Aid and Economic Development to determine a path forward for 2021.

## **BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:**

At the May 7<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting, the Board approved the following resolution:

*MOVED, SECONDED, and CARRIED*

That the Regional Board be provided with a report on options for administering Regional Grant-in-Aid at a future Committee of the Whole meeting that can accommodate the physical presence of all Directors, including options for the Regional Grant-in-Aid Policy, possible updates to Peace River Regional District letters patent, and/or bylaw options.

At the June 11, 2020 Board meeting, the Board further resolved to hold a workshop to discuss the three identified funding recipients that met the policy threshold dictating evaluation for service establishment (more than three years, and more than \$50,000 in operational funding), administration of regionally funded grants, and the possibility of an economic development function applicable to the electoral areas only.

*MOVED, SECONDED, and CARRIED*

That the Regional Board evaluate the hockey events that receive funding from the PRRD, to inform the consideration of the establishment of a service function in the region; further, that a workshop be held for the Regional Board to consider the administration of regionally funded grants, and to review and discuss the completed evaluations of PRRD funded hockey events, STARS, the Tumbler Ridge Museum Foundation, and the Tumbler Ridge Global Geopark Society.

*MOVED, SECONDED, and CARRIED*

That the Regional Board include consideration of the establishment of an economic development function, pertinent to the Electoral Areas only, in the upcoming workshop on the administration of regionally funded grants.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:**

1. That the Regional Board provide further direction.

**STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:**

- ☒ Organizational Effectiveness
  - ☒ Comprehensive Policy Review
- ☒ Partnerships
  - ☒ Collaboration with Local and First Nations governments

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):**

None at this time.

**COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):**

None at this time.

**OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):**

None at this time.