

Township of South Stormont
ACTION REQUEST



To: Council
Date of Meeting: August 9, 2017
Subject: Application to Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) Capital Grants Program

Recommendation:

That Council direct staff to research and prepare an application to the OTF Capital Grants Program for the potential construction of a splash pad located at the Ingleside Community Park in 2018 and, further, that staff work with the community fundraising committee in order to meet community partnership goals of the program.

Executive Summary:

Council received a request from a community fundraising group looking for support in building a splash pad at the Ingleside Community Park in 2018. The local committee is interested in the Township pursuing a splash pad option as part of Phase II development of the Ingleside Community Park and has agreed to work with the Township in order to establish fundraising goals that would move the project forward in 2018.

Staff would like to submit an application to the OTF Capital Grants Program prior to the deadline of October 25, 2017. The OTF works in partnership to provide partial funding for capital projects that improve communities across Ontario.

Background:

1. If approved, staff will need to move forward researching potential plans for splash pad development that can be submitted as part of the application process. These draft plans will include potential sizing, amenities, and financial impact to the 2018 Township budget. These draft plans would be presented to Council prior to final submission of the OTF application.
2. Staff will need to meet with the fundraising committee in order to establish potential fundraising goals and future sponsor recognition details.
3. It is likely that staff will use similar design and construction information as listed in the tender specifications for the 2013

development of a splash pad at the Arnold Bethune Park in Long Sault.

4. Part of the research will include anticipated cost for landscaping that would connect the facility to other developments currently taking place in the park.

Options and Discussion:

1. That Council directs staff to research and prepare an application to the OTF Capital Grants Program for the potential construction of a splash pad located at the Ingleside Community Park in 2018, and, further that staff work with the community fundraising committee in order to meet community partnership goals of the program.
2. Council defers the decision to have staff research and prepare an OTF grant application.
3. Other.

Others Consulted:

Director of Finance, CAO
Fundraising Committee

Financial Impact:

At this stage there is no financial commitment required from the Township to pursue the application of an OTF grant.

Recommended By:



Recommended By:
Kevin Amelotte, CRFS, CIT
Director of Parks and Recreation

Reviewed & Approved By:



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Chief Administrative Officer