



## Committee of the Whole Report For the Meeting of April 25, 2019

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**To:** Committee of the Whole **Date:** April 17, 2019  
**From:** Thomas Soulliere, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Facilities  
**Subject:** CleanBC Grant Application for HVAC Replacement Project at Oaklands Community Centre

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### RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approve the City's application for a CleanBC grant for the HVAC Replacement Project at Oaklands Community Centre and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute a contribution agreement should the grant application be successful.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The City maintains the Oakland's Community Centre, which is operated by the Oaklands Community Association, in partnership with School District 61.

Staff request Council's endorsement to submit a grant application for the CleanBC Communities Fund (CCF). Council approval is a requirement of the CCF grant process. Staff are seeking the funding for the replacement of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system at the Oaklands Community Centre, which is at its end of life. The upgrades align with the City's Climate Leadership Plan, which has a target to reduce 80% of GHGs by 2050.

The CCF supports infrastructure projects that promote the management of renewable energy, access to clean energy transportation, improved energy efficiency of buildings and the generation of clean energy. The program is a component of the wider Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program's (ICIP) Green Infrastructure – Climate Change Mitigation Sub-Stream. ICIP provides funding through a bilateral agreement between the federal and provincial governments.

The CCF funding will allow for a best practice heat-pump installation that is estimated to reduce the GHG emissions from the facility by 91%. In addition to GHG reductions and energy efficiency, occupants of the building will experience improved reliability and comfort provided by the new system. With improved digital controls, staff will also have the ability to monitor and control the HVAC system remotely. Switching to electric heat pumps have the additional benefit of reducing operating utility costs.

If the application is successful, the grant could cover up to approximately \$118,000 (73%) of the estimated \$162,100 total project cost.

*Accessibility Impact Statement*

No significant impacts relating to accessibility have been identified for this grant application.

*2015 – 2018 Strategic Plan*

This project aligns with Strategic Objective #6: Climate Leadership and Environmental Stewardship by significantly reducing our GHG emissions.

*Impacts to Financial Plan*

Funding for the HVAC Replacement Project was approved in the 2019 Financial Plan. Improved energy efficiency will reduce annual utility costs.

*Official Community Plan Consistency Statement*

This grant application and the project meet the Official Community Plan Objective #12 Climate Change and Energy with Council's initiative to support community centre improvements and the City's Climate Action commitment to reducing GHG emissions.

Respectfully submitted,

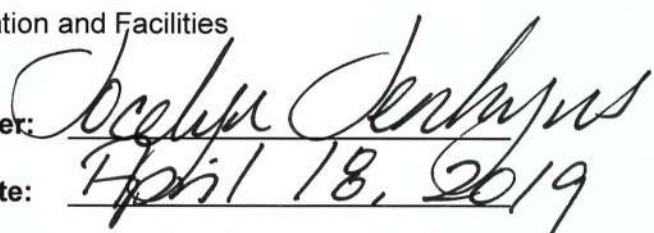


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**Report accepted and recommended by the City Manager:**



**Date:**

April 18, 2019