



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27 , 2024 OKANAGAN LAKE ROOM (COUNCIL CHAMBER)

PRESENT: VOTING
Councillor Mund
Councillor Gares
Councillor Fehr

GUEST: Councillor Durning

STAFF: Elma Hamming, Director, Financial Services
Rena Crosson, Manager, Financial Operations
Jennifer Pounder, Records / Committee Clerk

ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

As Chair of the City of Vernon's Finance Committee, and in the spirit of this gathering, I recognize the City of Vernon is located in the traditional territory of the Syilx people of the Okanagan Nation.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the agenda for the November 27, 2024 Finance Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Fehr, seconded by Councillor Mund;

THAT the minutes of the September 9, 2024 Finance Committee meeting be adopted.

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

**COUNCIL
DISCRETIONARY
GRANT POLICY
AMENDMENT**

Moved by Councillor Fehr, seconded by Councillor Mund:

THAT the Finance Committee recommends to Council that the Council Discretionary Grant Policy be amended to clarify that an organization may only have one application approved per calendar year in item 1.2(d).

CARRIED.

**COUNCIL
DISCRETIONARY
GRANT
APPLICATIONS –
OCTOBER 2024
INTAKE**

The Manager, Financial Operations, provided the Committee with an overview of the applications received.

The Committee reviewed all applications and passed the following motions:

**ALLAN BROOKS
NATURE CENTRE**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **approve** a Council Discretionary Grant to Allan Brooks Nature Centre in the amount of \$3,000 for the Okanagan Okie mascot.

CARRIED.

**ARCHWAY SOCIETY
FOR DOMESTIC
PEACE**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **approve** a Council Discretionary Grant to Archway Society for Domestic Peace in the amount of \$10,000 for the replacement of video recording equipment for forensic interviews.

CARRIED.

**ARMY NAVY AND AIR
FORCE VETERANS
ASSOCIATION UNIT 5
SOCIETY**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to Army Navy and Air Force Veterans Association Unit 5 Society in the amount of \$40,000 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

ATHLETICS FOR KIDS

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **approve** a Council Discretionary Grant to Athletics for Kids in

the amount of \$2,200 out of the requested amount of \$6,500 to fund children in the Sport4Life Vernon Grant Program.

CARRIED.

**BRITISH COLUMBIA
HONEY PRODUCERS'
ASSOCIATION**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to British Columbia Honey Producers' Association in the amount of \$8,000 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**CANADIAN MENTAL
HEALTH
ASSOCIATION
VERNON & DISTRICT**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to Canadian Mental Health Association Vernon & District in the amount of \$8,000 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**HABITAT FOR
HUMANITY
OKANAGAN**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to Habitat for Humanity Okanagan in the amount of \$14,627.75 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**MACKIE LAKE
HOUSE FOUNDATION**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to the Mackie Lake House Foundation in the amount of \$3,000 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**NORTH OKANAGAN
CHILD CARE
SOCIETY**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **approve** a Council Discretionary Grant to North Okanagan Child

Care Society in the amount of \$12,500 out of the requested \$25,000 to upgrade one of the entry ways with accessible ramps.

CARRIED.

**NORTH OKANAGAN
FRIENDSHIP
CENTER/PREGNANCY
OUTREACH
PROGRAM**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to North Okanagan Friendship Center/Pregnancy Outreach Program in the amount of \$22,500 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**NORTH OKANAGAN
HOTEL ASSOCIATION**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Gares;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to North Okanagan Hotel Association in the amount of \$2,000 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**NORTH OKANAGAN
OPTIMIST CLUB**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **approve** a Council Discretionary Grant to North Okanagan Optimist Club in the amount of \$2,000 to use towards the Children's Christmas Gift House program.

CARRIED.

**NORTH OKANAGAN
SAILING
ASSOCIATION**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to North Okanagan Sailing Association in the amount of \$10,000 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**NORTH OKANAGAN
YOUTH AND FAMILY
SERVICES SOCIETY**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **approve** a Council Discretionary Grant to Vernon Upper Room Mission Society in the amount of \$3,590 out of the requested

\$10,000 to assist with the transformation of the NOYFSS downstairs.

CARRIED.

**NORTH OKANAGAN
GYMNASTICS**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to North Okanagan Gymnastics in the amount of \$5,000 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**OKANAGAN SCREEN
ARTS SOCIETY**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to Okanagan Screen Arts Society in the amount of \$1,500 as the City has limited funds for disbursement

CARRIED.

**O'KEEFE RANCH &
INTERIOR HERITAGE
SOCIETY**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to O'Keefe Ranch & Interior Heritage Society in the amount of \$25,000 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**SKY VOLLEYBALL
CLUB**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **approve** a Council Discretionary Grant to Sky Volleyball Club in the amount of \$2,580 out of the requested \$11,265.45 to fund the purchase of volleyballs.

CARRIED.

**THE SOVEREIGN
LAKE NORDIC CLUB**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to The Sovereign Lake Nordic

Club in the amount of \$6,825 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**TAKE A HIKE YOUTH
MENTAL HEALTH
FOUNDATION**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **approve** a Council Discretionary Grant to Take a Hike Youth Mental Health Foundation in the amount of \$5,000 to fund land-based learning supplies and outdoor gear.

CARRIED.

**TOGETHER FOR
CHRISTMAS SOCIETY**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to Together for Christmas Society in the amount of \$1,000 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**VERNON & DISTRICT
METIS ASSOCIATION**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to Vernon & District Metis Association in the amount of \$20,000 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

VERNON ELKS

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to Vernon Elks in the amount of \$20,000 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**VERNON LAWN
BOWLING CLUB**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **approve** a Council Discretionary Grant to Vernon Lawn Bowling Club in the amount of \$2,000 to replace an aging water heater.

CARRIED.

**VERNON OAK
LEARNING SOCIETY**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to Vernon OAK Learning Society in the amount of \$15,000 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**VERNON
PICKLEBALL
ASSOCIATION**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to Vernon Pickleball Association in the amount of \$8,500 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**VERNON SHE SHED
SOCIETY**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **approve** a Council Discretionary Grant to Vernon She Shed Society in the amount of \$5,000 out of the request \$15,000 to fund materials and safety equipment.

CARRIED.

VERNON SKI CLUB

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to Vernon Ski Club in the amount of \$4,250 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

**UPPER ROOM
MISSION SOCIETY**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr;

THAT the Finance Committee recommends that Council **deny** a Council Discretionary Grant to Upper Room Mission Society in the amount of \$7,000 as the City has limited funds for disbursement.

CARRIED.

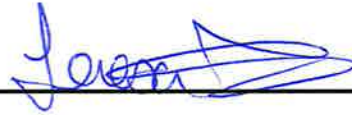
**DATE AND TIME OF
NEXT MEETING**

The next Finance Committee meeting is to be tentatively scheduled for April 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

The Finance Committee meeting adjourned at 2:21 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joan", is written over a horizontal line.

Chair