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Purpose

- 1 The Springbank Recreation Funding Policy establishes eligibility for community groups to access the Springbank Recreation Reserve to develop the Community Event Centre, as proposed in the *South Springbank Community Facilities Business Case* (Business Case) and *Recreation Parks Master Plan* (RPMP).



Policy Statement

- 2 Council values the volunteers and resources that non-profit community organizations provide for County residents.
- 3 The funds collected for the Springbank Recreation Reserve provide limited capital assistance to non-profit community organizations that propose infrastructure in alignment with the Business Case and RPMP.
- 4 The County encourages and supports partnership opportunities that enhance the quality of life for County residents.



Policy

- 5 The funds held within the Springbank Recreation Reserve will be allocated to the development of the Community Event Centre outlined in the Business Case and RPMP.
- 6 Non-profit community organizations and the County may access funds from the Springbank Recreation Reserve for the Community Event Centre outlined in the Business Case and RPMP.



- (1) Funding requests must be directed to Administration and meet the criteria set in the Large Capital Project section of Council Policy C-317.
- 7 Non-profit community organizations accessing funds from the Springbank Recreation Reserve may access matching funds from external grants, through fundraising, or through corporate sponsorship.
- 8 Interest earned on funds listed in Section 5 is allocated into the Springbank Recreation Reserve account and may be used to maintain the land noted in the business case.
- 9 Council designates Grant Program funding in its annual budget as per policy C-317.



References

Legal Authorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Societies Act, RSA 2000, c S-14
Related Plans, Bylaws, Policies, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council Policy C-317
Related Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Springbank Community Facilities Business Case • Rocky View County: Recreation and Parks Master Plan 2021 • Parks and Open Space Master Plan • Active Transportation Plan – South County 2018



Policy History

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Definitions

- 10 In this policy:
 - (1) “Administration” means the County CAO or designate;



- (2) “Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)” means the Chief Administrative Officer of Rocky View County as defined in the *Municipal Government Act* or their authorized delegate;
- (3) “Council” means the duly elected Council of Rocky View County;
- (4) “County” means Rocky View County;
- (5) “Municipal Government Act” means the Province of Alberta’s *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, c M-26, as amended or replaced from time to time;
- (6) “Organizations” means non-profit groups that exist to serve the public benefit, are typically governed by a voluntary board of directors, and typically depend on volunteers to carry out essential parts of the groups’ or organizations’ work, though paid staff may fill certain positions;
- (7) “Recreation” means an experience that results from freely chosen participation in physical, social, intellectual, creative, and spiritual pursuits that enhance individual and community wellbeing;
- (8) “Recreation Governance Committee (RGC)” is a Council committee that acts as an approving body regarding matters pertaining to recreation and cultural services in the County, including grant applications, funding allocation, studies, and masterplans;
- (9) “Rocky View County” means Rocky View County as a municipal corporation and the geographical area within its jurisdictional boundaries, as the context requires;
- (10) “South Springbank Community Facilities Business Case” is the work program conducted for the Study that identifies the types of community facilities to be developed, functional programs and estimated capital costs in South Springbank.
- (11) “Springbank Recreation Reserve” is the reserve account that dedicates funds to Springbank recreational infrastructure. The funds are collected through land compensation and external infrastructure projects in the region.