



STAFF REPORT

Title: Letter of Support - Cold Lake Public Library and Lakeland Multicultural Association (LMA)

Meeting Date: March 12, 2019

Executive Summary:

The Cold Lake Public Library in partnership with the Lakeland Multicultural Association (LMA) are applying for an Alberta Culture Days Grant Program to support the museum pop-up presentation of "Mosaic of Cultures".

The Cold Lake Public Library has made great progress in serving the diverse population of Cold Lake and the surrounding area and is ideally positioned to host this event which will also include a wide variety of cultural programming including hands-on experiences, traditional foods and performances.

The Cold Lake Public Library contacted the City of Cold Lake on March 7, 2019 and indicated that to qualify for the Alberta Culture Days Grant Program, letters of support must be provided. Time is always of importance and this letter of support is requested before March 20, 2019.

The Program will be a day and a half of cultures from the around the world represented in the following format:

- Food
- Demonstrations
- Museum articles from around the World

Displays and Interactions from Local people that have their origins from other parts of the World.

The Cold Lake Public Library are just in the beginning stages of planning with the LMA, but need the letters of support to send in with a grant application that is due by March 29, 2019.

Background:

Administration does not have a lot a detail regarding the proposed program, as both the Cold Lake Public Library and the LMA are developing the application. Council's regular meeting of March 12, 2019 is to only opportunity to place the request on Council's agenda as the next meeting will be after the letters of support are due.



Alternatives:

Council may consider the following options:

- Motion to provide a letter of support
- Defeat a motion to provide a letter of support

Recommended Action:

That Council authorize the letter of support to the Cold Lake Library Board and Lakeland Multicultural Association (LMA) to accompany their Alberta Culture Days Grant Program application highlighting their attempts at bringing cultural events to the community and the positive impacts that they are having in the City of Cold Lake.

Budget Implications (Yes or No):

No

Submitted by:

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