

STAFF REPORT

Title: Request for Funding - The Clayton Bellamy Foundation for the Arts

Meeting Date: May 24, 2022

Executive Summary:

Mr. Clayton Bellamy and Ms. Lise Fielding, on behalf of The Clayton Bellamy Foundation for the Arts, appeared as a delegation at Council's May 10, 2022 regular meeting of Council.

Background:

<u>May 10, 2022 Delegation</u> Mayor Copeland welcomed Mr. Clayton Bellamy and Ms. Lise Fielding to the Council meeting at this time being 6:02 p.m.

Mr. Bellamy and Ms. Fielding presented Council with a power point presentation respecting the Clayton Bellamy Foundation for the Arts (The Foundation). Also presented were the Document of Intent and Business Plan as well as renderings of the proposed theatre and project funding details along with a five (5) year operational budget. It was noted that Mr. Bellamy's start in music began in his hometown of Bonnyville where, at the age of 9, he performed on stage at the Lyle Victor Albert Centre.

The Foundation is a local, registered non-profit organization that was founded in April 2021. It is a volunteer organization dedicated to the development of a state-of-the art Performing Arts Theatre (music, dance, theatre, motivational speaking, film presentations, etc.). The project will develop/replace a previous Community Performing Arts Theatre (The Lyle Victor Albert Centre) and will be located in Bonnyville which is central to the Lakeland region. It will provide opportunities for arts based education for youth and a place to showcase their talents. It will serve people of all ages, ethnicities and cultures, creating quality family entertainment and economic benefits to the area through live concerts, theatre, and performances.

The Foundation is seeking a letter of support from the City of Cold Lake and funding in the amount of \$85,000.00 (over \$1,000,000.00 is required for the entire project) to help build a performing arts theatre of which the venue will serve the Lakeland region including Bonnyville, Cold Lake, St. Paul, two (2) First Nations and one (1) Metis Settlement, the M.D. of Bonnyville, and the County of St. Paul. The creation of a new performing arts theatre will gift the next generation of young artists an opportunity to follow their dreams.



Mr. Bellamy advised that cash donations exceeding \$150,000.00 have been received to date.

Questions & discussion from Council ensued at this time.

Mayor Copeland thanked Mr. Bellamy and Ms. Fielding for their presentation advising that Council would consider the Foundation's requests for a letter of support and funding at a future meeting of Council.

Pictures were taken at this time being 6:21 p.m.

It should be noted that the City has fully allocated its 2022 Community Capital Grant Program Funding. That being said, the purpose of the grant program articulates; *"the Community Capital Project Grant Policy is to provide guidelines and a transparent process to administer grant funding to eligible community organizations that submit applications for eligible capital projects within the City of Cold Lake."*

With that, the request is being made directly to City Council.

Alternatives:

Council may consider the following options:

- That Council pass a motion to authorize the City of Cold Lake to provide a letter of the support to the Clayton Bellamy Foundation for the Arts for its Lyle Victor Albert Centre Performing Arts Theatre replacement project for the Lakeland and respectfully decline the opportunity to donate to the initiative.
- That Council pass a motion to authorize the City of Cold Lake to provide a letter of the support to the Clayton Bellamy Foundation for the Arts for its Lyle Victor Albert Centre Performing Arts Threatre replacement project for the Lakeland and authorize the City of Cold Lake to provide a grant in the amount of \$85,000 (or alternative amount) to come from Council Goodwill 1-2-11-20-229.

Recommended Action:

That Council accept The Clayton Bellamy Foundation for the Arts delegation presentation made at the May 10, 2022 regular meeting of Council as information, provide a letter of support, and further provide funding in the amount of (\$_____ To be determined by City Council) to come from Council Goodwill 1-2-11-20-229.

Budget Implications (Yes or No):

Yes



Submitted by: Kevin Nagoya, Chief Administrative Officer