
REPORT NAME

City of Leduc recreation cost-share agreement

RECOMMENDATION

The Council approve the revised recreation cost-share agreement with the City of Leduc and a 3-year funding contribution of \$450,000.

IMPLICATIONS

Reason: Regional collaboration

Authority: (MGA section/bylaw/policy number): Agreement

Amount of funding required: \$450,000

Funding source: 2025 budget

BACKGROUND

For over 35 years Leduc County and the City of Leduc have worked in partnership in providing recreation, library and cultural services to residents. Through the recreation cost-share agreement, we have shared the cost of these services, resulting in high-level services and cost efficiencies for both municipalities. The revised agreement continues this partnership as well as a commitment to regularly meet and improve our agreement. Minor changes have been proposed to provide clarity while keeping the intent and purpose of our historical arrangement. The revision includes a new contribution amount proposed for the 2025-2027 term.

Key agreement changes include:

- Added definitions of City Manager and County Manager.
- Clarity for renewal and amendment of future agreements to allow each municipality to follow their own internal processes and approvals.

Budget impacting changes include:

- A funding cap adjustment from \$2,000,000 to \$2,750,000 for operating costs at the Leduc Recreation Centre. This continues to be below the facility's actual operating costs, which is currently \$3,855,000.
- A funding cap adjustment of \$275,000 in grants to organizations.

Upon review of the 2024 budget from the City of Leduc and the suggested changes to the agreement, the committee has recommended a new funding contribution of \$450,000 for 2025-2027. Administration supports this recommendation as it provides fair compensation to the City of Leduc to provide access to recreation, library and cultural services to not only the residents of the Leduc recreation district but also across Leduc County. Administration will continue to work with the City as we plan for the future and continue to work collaboratively to provide services to this region.

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Reviewed by: Alan Grayston, General Manager – Development and Community Services

Date: 09/10/24



Recommendation to Council *Public*

ATTACHMENTS

1. Recreation cost-share agreement – City of Leduc
2. 2024 financial summary