



STAFF REPORT

DATE: September 8, 2020 **FILE:** 0550-04 EASC Reports

TO: Chair and Directors
Electoral Areas Services Committee

FROM: Dave Leitch
Chief Administrative Officer

RE: **REQUEST FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING – QUADRA ISLAND CONSERVANCY STEWARDSHIP SOCIETY**

PURPOSE/PROBLEM

To consider a request for economic development funding applicable to Electoral Area C.

POLICY ANALYSIS

Bylaw No. 149, being Economic Development Commission Service Conversion Bylaw 2012, authorizes the Regional District to provide financial assistance to organizations for the purpose of promoting, advancing or supporting activities and initiatives which enhance the economic health and prosperity of Electoral Area C.

SUMMARY

The Strathcona Regional District is in receipt of a request for economic development funding, as detailed on the attached information sheet. From a financial perspective, the request falls within the budget limits currently authorized in the 5-year financial plan. However, it should be noted that, in the absence of any approved policies or guidelines, staff have not undertaken any detailed analysis of the application from an economic development perspective. The Area C Director has requested that the application be placed before the Board. Accordingly, the application is appropriate for the Board's consideration of approval and, in that event, the passage of a resolution confirming the awarding of a grant will be required.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received.
2. THAT the Committee recommend that the Board approve an economic development grant for the Quadra Island Conservancy Stewardship Society in the amount of \$1,500 to assist with insurance premium costs to be paid from the Electoral Area C economic development service budget.

Respectfully:



Dave Leitch
Chief Administrative Officer

Prepared by: *E. Watson, Senior Executive Assistant*

Attachments: August 24, 2020 email from Director Abram and grant request from the Quadra Island Conservancy Stewardship Society



Area 'C' Economic Development Grant (2020)

Economic Development Grant 2020 Budget (2019-2023 Approved Financial Plan)	\$ 40,000
<i>Quadra Island Seniors, Branch #91, BCOAPO</i>	4,000
<i>Quadra Island Festival of Chamber Music</i>	\$ 2,000
<i>Quadra Children's Centre</i>	\$ 5,169
<i>Campbell River Museum</i>	\$ 1,000
Total approved to date	\$ 12,169
AVAILABLE BALANCE	\$ 27,831

<i>New applications received</i>	
<i>Quadra Island Conservancy Stewardship Society</i>	<i>\$ 1,500</i>
	<i>\$ 1,500</i>
<i>If all new applications are approved, total funds available (overspent):</i>	<i>\$ 26,331</i>

Strathcona Regional District
Budget Variance Report



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Date : Sep 08,2020

Time : 4:21 pm

Fiscal Year : 2020 Period : 12
 Account Code : 01-2-555-212 To 01-2-555-212

Budget Type : Final Budget

Acct Code	Acct Desc	CC1	CC2	CC3	Year to Date	Budget Amt	Variance	% Variance
01-2-555-212	GRANTS-UNCOND LOCAL AGENCIE				12,169.00	40,000	27,831.00	69.58
Report Total					12,169.00	40,000	27,831.00	69.58

From: [Jim Abram](#)
To: [Tom Yates](#); [Edith Watson](#)
Cc: [Ken Roxburgh](#)
Subject: Fwd: Quadra Island Conservancy request for support
Date: August 24, 2020 10:46:42 AM
Attachments: [Letter - QICSS Grant request.docx](#)

Please process for the next Board from Ec. Dev. Function in the amount of \$1500.00 to be paid asap
Thanks
Jim

Sent from my iPhone so please excuse my fat fingered response

Begin forwarded message:

From: Ken Roxburgh <kroxburgh@gicable.com>
Date: August 24, 2020 at 10:03:51 AM PDT
To: Jim Abram <jimabram@xplornet.ca>
Subject: Fwd: **Quadra Island Conservancy request for support**

Hi Jim,

I hope your recovery is going well. When you were laid up Dan suggested that I send this request to Dave Leitch. The request does not seem to be processed. I hope you can look into this now.

Thanks,
Ken

Begin forwarded message:

From: kroxburgh@gicable.com
Date: April 24, 2020 at 1:26:58 PM PDT
To: Leitch Dave <dleitch@srd.ca>
Subject: **Quadra Island Conservancy request for support**

Hello Dave,

I hope that Jim Abram is recovering quickly. I understand I should direct this to you at this time. Each year Jim supports QICSS as the owner of the only public property on Morte Lake with the public trail through that property by covering the liability insurance. Included is the letter that I was about to send to Jim.

Let me know if this does not work for you or for Jim.

Sincerely,

Ken Roxburgh

Treasurer QICSS



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April 23, 2020  
Mr. Jim Abram,  
Regional Director Area C,  
Strathcona Regional District  
301-990 Cedar St.  
Campbell River, BC  
V9W 7Z8

Dear Jim,

At our last Stewards meeting we discussed our application for a grant to cover the cost of our insurance for our society and our Morte Lake property. Our insurance has increased this year to \$300 for directors insurance and \$1200 for property liability insurance. May I hereby submit a request for a grant in aid for \$1500 for the benefit of the Quadra Conservancy for the year 2020.

We would greatly appreciate if you again could look at this request favourably.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Ken Roxburgh  
Secretary / Treasurer QICSS