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RE: Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) grant application for the Sherwood Park Curling Club

Strathcona County supports the planned curling equipment upgrade for the curling rink located at the Glen Allan Recreation Complex. The Sherwood Park Curling Club is the licensed operator of the curling rink, has identified the project, and is working in partnership with Strathcona County's Facility Services and Recreation, Parks and Culture departments on the planned upgrade. The project will involve the design, purchase and installation of a reverse osmosis water system to improve the water quality for the final and maintenance flooding of the curling ice.

The curling rink and associated amenities are used primarily from September to April. During the curling season, the Sherwood Park Curling Club members frequently use the space for their members' regular league and final season play. The club has also pursued the development and promotion of curling programs with students, teachers and parents throughout Strathcona County to encourage younger participation and attract the next generation of curlers. Besides regular season league play for youth, ladies, men, mixed, seniors and learn to play, the club also hosts numerous curling events throughout the season like bonspiels.

In addition to providing this letter of support, we are pleased to work with the Sherwood Park Curling Club prior to the accounting deadline to ensure the accounting is completed and submitted in a timely fashion to avoid any adverse impacts with future applications. As a municipally owned facility, the facility is open for the use and enjoyment of close to 100,000 residents of Strathcona County. Strathcona County is pleased to provide this letter of support regarding this enhancement and look forward to continuing our partnership with the members of the Sherwood Park Curling Club.

Sincerely,

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