

Councillor Request Report

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3	CARR Roxanne	Online Voting Records	Information	05/11/2013	11/15/2013	LLS		Research other municipalities best practices regarding online voting records.		LLS is currently looking into an electronic meeting management system. Online voting records will be part of this initiative.	In Progress
				23/09/2014	03/10/2014	LLS		Please provide and update on the status of online voting.		Commencing January 2015, Strathcona County will start rolling out modules of the electronic meeting management software (eScribe) that we purchased. The electronic voting module is anticipated to be rolled out in March. Prior to March, LLS will provide Council with different options on how we can display our voting records online.	
28	CARR Roxanne	Alberta Community Partnership Program	Information	11/03/2014	3/21/2014	CPIA		Please provide a report on actions taken by Administration to create applications to the Alberta Community Partnership Program at the May 13, 2014 Priorities Committee Meeting.			Outstanding
								Further dialogue will be required regarding this request. To be discussed at the June 17th Priorities Committee meeting when the request for Community Group Collaboration Fund (Councillor Smith) is discussed.			
33	SMITH Paul	Community Group Collaboration Fund	Program	22/04/2014	5/13/2014	RPC	FCS	Create parameters and budget for a fund that would facilitate and enable community organizations to work together for success and viability. The outcome would be a system that would enable joint initiatives with access to funds, facilities, expertise and training. This request has been directed to Community Services Division- FCS & RPC			In Progress
								Please bring this program request back for discussion to the June 17, 2014 Priorities Committee Meeting. (The request was to be brought forward to the May 13, 2014 PCM however Councillor Smith will not be in attendance for the May 13, 2014 PCM)			
35	BIDZINSKI Victor	Community Halls Renovation/ Replacement Plan	Information	06/05/2014	5/16/2014	FAS		Provide information on ways we could augment the costs that will be associated with the renovation/replacement of Strathcona County's Community Halls in the future. (Was stated that 19 million dollars will be required)			Outstanding
*44	BIDZINSKI Victor	Offsite Levies & Unfinished Land Maintenance	Information	08/07/2014	7/18/2014	PDS		Please provide status update on the resident request listed: A) Paid excess offsite levies to Strathcona County when they built their establishment to augment future growth in the area. How do they recover over payment? B) Land behind their establishment owned by them was worked on by the County. Has not been resolved properly and is the County going to repair, restore or purchase the land?	28-Aug-14	A) The only financial obligation that was assessed to Lot 47B, Block 2, Plan 9926667 (previously Lot 47, Block 2, Plan 882222) as part of the Development Agreement dated July 1999, was a Local Improvement charge dating back to the 1988 construction of infrastructure, which was identified within the ARP South of Wye Road Area-71-86. It is noted that draft versions of the 1999 Development Agreement refers to a levy component, however the final signed version only refers to a Local Improvement charge which was a requirement for both Lot 47A and Lot 47B. There is no indication in our planning files, or within the Development Agreement, for payment of any levies or oversize charges to the County, nor any reference to cost sharing or recoveries which may have been negotiated between the two properties. B) Strathcona County had discussions with Danley Ventures Inc. (Expert Lock Services) via Mr. Dan Kuefler with respect to work done on the land behind the Expert Lock Services establishment. The issue we're aware of is that the restoration of the easement area where the work was performed, is not acceptable to Mr. Kuefler. An acceptable cash settlement was verbally agreed upon between Mr. Kuefler and Strathcona County however was a concern with the format of release agreement and a settlement has not yet been reached. Planning and Development Services will follow up with Mr. Kuefler on resolving this concern.	In Progress
								10/02/2014		Please provide an updated report.	

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86	BIDZINSKI Victor	Spray Decks	Information	9/29/2015	10/9/2015	RPC		Please provide information regarding the status update and maintenance/ revitalization plan report on spray decks in Strathcona County.	10/05/2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strategy phase of outdoor aquatics planning is projected to take place in Q1-Q2 2016.• This strategy will look at outdoor aquatics as a whole, throughout Strathcona County.• Additional public engagement and assessment of community needs will be included in the study.• Study will look at both the older, existing spray decks as well as strategic options for future sites as identified on Page 8 of the 5-year Open Space Recreation Facility Strategy (OSRFS) update, outdoor aquatic infrastructure strategy/concept stages to be completed within the 2014-2018 timeframe.• Based on this timeline, RPC will be in a position to make strategy recommendations and move into the concept/design stages as early as the 2017 budget cycle.	In Progress
89	DELAINEY Linton	Employee Learning and Development	Information	11/24/2015	4/12/2015	HR		How many County employees are currently attending or registered in University, College or Trade School up-grading or after-degree programs on either a full-time or part-time basis, for which the County is providing direct financial assistance? What is the value of this assistance for the current budget year?	12/04/2015	Currently there are 39 employees receiving a total of approximately \$120,000 this year in County funding assistance for formal post-secondary and higher educational programs including the Certificate in Municipal Management and Leadership (CMML) program. The CMML program builds on our Supervising for Results and part of our overall approach to leadership development as we seek out and encourage staff to participate in the program. Total funding includes contributions from both corporate and department budgets.	Complete
90	DELAINEY Linton	Health Care Spending & Learning and Wellness Accounts	Information	11/24/2015	12/4/2015	HR		Please provide information regarding the annual cost of this benefit program, how it works, which employees are eligible and when, how much they receive annually, as well as the requirements for reporting expenditures and submitting receipts.	12/04/2015	<p>The HSA is a non taxable benefit which reimburses employees for eligible medical related expenses as defined by the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA). The HSA must be administered according to the rules established by CRA. Employees are required to submit a claim form with receipts to Blue Cross who administers the benefit on behalf of Strathcona County. The LFA is a taxable spending account which reimburses employees for eligible learning and fitness expenses. Employees are required to submit a claim form with receipts to Benefits within Human Resources who reviews and approves eligible claims.</p> <p>Permanent Classified, Library and Elected Officials are eligible for an annual \$500 flex account that they can allocate to either the HSA or LFA or both. Some temporary classified staff are also eligible for the \$500 flex account. Currently, part time irregular staff receive a \$300 LFA annually after 12 months of employment. Permanent AUPE and IAFF staff receive a \$300 LFA after 12 months of employment.</p> <p>The annual budget for both of these programs is \$677,000 and overall utilization is about 80%. Unused funds remain with Strathcona County.</p>	Complete
91	BIDZINSKI Victor	St. Theresa School Expansion	Information	12/08/2015	12/18/2015	ETeam		Please provide information regarding the St. Theresa School expansion and what involvement Strathcona County has on the project.			