



**General Purposes Committee
Electronic Meeting**

**Council Chambers, City Hall
6911 No. 3 Road**

**Monday, June 20, 2022
4:00 p.m.**

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MINUTES

GP-3 *Motion to adopt the **minutes** of the meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on June 6, 2022.*



COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

1. **2022 NEIGHBOURHOOD CELEBRATION GRANTS ALLOCATION**
(File Ref. No. 11-7000-01) (REDMS No. 6899905)

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See Page GP-9 for full report

Designated Speaker: Lisa Fedoruk

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- (1) *That the Neighbourhood Celebration Grants be awarded for the recommended amount of \$74,947.96 as identified in Attachment 2 of the staff report titled, “2022 Neighbourhood Celebration Grants Allocation”, dated May 30, 2022, from the Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services; and*

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(2) *That the grant funds be disbursed accordingly.*

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ADDED 2. **ENDORSEMENT OF UBCM RESOLUTION FOR LIBRARY FUNDING**

(File Ref. No. 11-7000-01) (REDMS No. 6914553)

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See Page **GP-23** for full report

Designated Speaker: Susan Walters

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the resolution in support of restoring provincial funding for public libraries, as outlined in Attachment 1 of the attached report from the Chief Librarian, be endorsed and forwarded to the Union of BC Municipalities for consideration during its 2022 Convention.

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ADJOURNMENT

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General Purposes Committee

Date: Monday, June 6, 2022

Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall

Present: Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair
Councillor Chak Au
Councillor Carol Day
Councillor Andy Hobbs
Councillor Alexa Loo
Councillor Bill McNulty
Councillor Linda McPhail (by teleconference)
Councillor Harold Steves (by teleconference)
Councillor Michael Wolfe (by teleconference)

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

It was moved and seconded
That Recycling for Textiles be added to the agenda as Item 4.

CARRIED

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded
That the minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on May 16, 2022, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

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DELEGATION

1. Jaime Gusto, General Manager of Steveston Harbour Authority, to speak about dredging Steveston Cannery Channel.

Ms. Gusto advised that the Steveston Cannery Channel requires dredging to (i) address the safety concerns of larger vessels attempting to access the Steveston Harbour, (ii) to avoid delays to larger vessels during lower tides, and (iii) to prevent vessels from running aground. Risks associated with running aground include (i) the vessel capsizing and the potential loss of life, (ii) environmental damage from a fuel tank rupture, and (iii) disruption to the economy of Richmond if seafood could no longer be unloaded at Steveston Harbour.

Maintenance dredging should be completed every eight to 10 years. If an application to dredge the Steveston Cannery Channel were submitted to Environment Canada today, the permit would likely allow the dredging to occur in June 2024, which will be (i) 14 years since the entrance of the Steveston Cannery Channel was dredged, (ii) 10 years since the western portion was dredged, (iii) seven years since No. 1 Road was dredged, and (iv) five years since the eastern portion was dredged.

The Steveston Harbour Authority is attempting to raise the funds required to dredge the entire channel, at an estimated cost of \$5 million. Discussions are in progress with the federal and provincial governments for contributions to the cost of the dredging. Ms. Gusto requested that the City contribute one-third of the cost of the dredging, as it has done in the past.

In response to questions from the Committee, Ms. Gusto advised (i) the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada's (DFO) Small Craft Harbour program is only responsible for dredging the water lots under the Head Lease, (ii) the federal government has committed to provide funding for the required dredging, (iii) the \$17 million provided by the Small Craft Harbour programs in 2021 is fully earmarked for infrastructure projects and the dredging of the water lots, (iv) the Local Channel Dredging Program, that provided funding to the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority (VFPA), has terminated, (v) the VFPA is not responsible for the cost of dredging secondary channels, and (vi) the federal government no longer allows the disposal of dredged materials in the Fraser River during the freshette, which is the more cost-effective method.

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Discussion ensued regarding (i) the need for a sustainable funding formula to conduct dredging regularly, (ii) concern regarding the length of time required to obtain a dredging permit, (iii) suggestion that the City explicitly express its concern that the federal government has downloaded a significant cost to maintain a national strategic asset to the local government, and (iv) the need to involve local First Nations to lobby the federal government for funding.

In response to questions from the Committee, staff advised (i) discussions have been occurring with other levels of government and agencies regarding funding for the dredging of the Steveston Cannery Channel, and (ii) expectation that the outcome of the funding partnership discussions can be reported to Council in one month.

As a result of the discussion the following *referral motion* was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That Council endorses a sustainable and cost-sharing approach to the critical necessity of dredging the Steveston Cannery Channel; and,*
- (2) *That the matter of the Steveston Cannery Channel dredging be referred to staff to:*
 - (a) *determine the potential costs and likely share of the costs to the City of Richmond and source of funding;*
 - (b) *determine a potential cost-sharing arrangement model;*
 - (c) *outline the terms for a permanent funding formula;*
 - (d) *outline the rationale for the proposed dredging;*
 - (e) *undertake a historical review of dredging in the Channel; and,*
 - (f) *review the feasibility of the City owning and operating dredging equipment permanently.*

CARRIED

ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

2. **2022 BC ENERGY STEP CODE AND GHG REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW BUILDINGS**

(File Ref. No. 10-6125-07-02) (REDMS No. 6898984)

During discussion, it was suggested that a requirement for future buildings to utilize electric power only be included in the report.

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In response to questions from the Committee, staff advised (i) the pathway to achieve a low-carbon future is provided in the report, (ii) the “step” approach facilitates compliance by developers, as the proposed approach precedes Building Code changes by approximately five years, and (iii) there is a possibility that new buildings may not connect to natural gas lines, as many are electing to connect to district energy or to utilize heat pumps.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That Building Regulation Bylaw 7230, Amendment Bylaw 10365, which amends Sections 10.1.1 and 16.1 regarding updates to existing BC Energy Step Code and greenhouse gas intensity (GHGI) requirements for Part 9 residential buildings and Part 3 residential, hotel, commercial and office buildings, be introduced and given first reading;*
- (2) *That for buildings requiring a Development Permit, notwithstanding the adoption of Building Regulation Bylaw 7230, Amendment Bylaw 10365:*
 - (a) *If a Development Permit is issued prior to July 1, 2022, the owner may, while their Development Permit remains valid, apply for a Building Permit in compliance with energy efficiency requirements applicable prior to the adoption of Bylaw 10365; or*
 - (b) *If an acceptable Development Permit application has been submitted to the City prior to adoption of Bylaw 10365, is considered and endorsed by the Development Permit Panel prior to July 1, 2023, and has a complete Building Permit application acceptable to the City submitted prior to July 1, 2023, the owner may apply for a Building Permit in compliance with energy efficiency requirements applicable prior to adoption of Bylaw 10365.*
- (3) *That Official Community Plan Bylaw 9000, Amendment Bylaw 10364, which amends Section 14.2.10 to Schedule 1 (Development Permit Guidelines) regarding the use of design approaches and technologies that improve the energy performance of buildings, be introduced and given first reading;*
- (4) *That Richmond Official Community Plan Bylaw 9000, Amendment Bylaw 10364, having been considered in conjunction with:*
 - (a) *the City's Financial Plan and Capital Program; and*

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- (b) the Greater Vancouver Regional District Solid Waste and Liquid Waste Management Plans;*

is hereby found to be consistent with said program and plans, in accordance with Section 477(3)(a) of the Local Government Act; and

- (5) That Richmond Official Community Plan Bylaw 9000, Amendment Bylaw 10364, having been considered in accordance with Section 475 of the Local Government Act and the City's Official Community Plan Bylaw Preparation Consultation Policy 5043, is found not to require further consultation.*

CARRIED

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

3. REPORT FROM THE CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVES ON THE VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AERONAUTICAL NOISE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR 2021

(File Ref. No. 01-0153-04-01) (REDMS No. 6895134)

In response to questions from the Committee, staff advised (i) the Vancouver Airport Authority (YVR) has not provided an estimate of the timing for commencement of construction of a third runway, (ii) expectation of increased use of the north runway in the future, and (iii) there is no update on the noise concerns expressed by Burkeville residents in 2020 with respect to the potential construction of a logistics building.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Report from the Citizen Representatives on the Vancouver International Airport Aeronautical Noise Management Committee for 2021", dated May 5, 2022, from the Director, Policy Planning, be received for information.

CARRIED

4. RECYCLING FOR TEXTILES

Councillor Au commented (i) the current approach is to encourage donation of used clothing, (ii) only a small portion of donated clothes are reused, and most clothing ends up in landfills, and (iii) requested that staff develop options for the recycling of textiles.

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Discussion ensued on (i) findings of Metro Vancouver's research into the development of a textile recycling program, (ii) suggestion that a region-wide approach, as opposed to a Richmond-specific ban, be implemented to divert textiles from landfills and incinerators (iii) suggestion to provide public education on ways to recycle used textiles, (iv) suggestion to take a global approach to textile recycling, (v) suggestion to treat natural and synthetic fabrics differently, and (vi) the need to determine the percentage of synthetic matter that would be acceptable in natural fabrics for recycling purposes.

As a result of the discussion the following *referral motion* was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That staff be directed to conduct research and develop options for a recycling program to divert clothing and other textiles from going to landfills.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (5:04 p.m.).

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Monday, June 6, 2022.

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie
Chair

Carol Lee
Recording Secretary




City of Richmond

Report to Committee



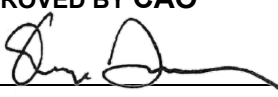
To: General Purposes Committee
From: Marie Fenwick
Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services
Date: May 30, 2022
File: 11-7000-01/2022-Vol
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Re: **2022 Neighbourhood Celebration Grants Allocation**

Staff Recommendation

1. That the Neighbourhood Celebration Grants be awarded for the recommended amount of \$74,947.96 as identified in Attachment 2 of the staff report titled, "2022 Neighbourhood Celebration Grants Allocation", dated May 30, 2022, from the Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services; and
2. That the grant funds be disbursed accordingly.


Marie Fenwick
Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services
(604-276-4288)

Att. 2

REPORT CONCURRENCE		
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Finance Department	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Recreation and Sport Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Parks Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Community Social Development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
SENIOR STAFF REPORT REVIEW	INITIALS: 	APPROVED BY CAO 

Staff Report

Origin

The Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Program was originally established in 2017 as part of the Richmond Canada 150 program to help small, Richmond-based non-profit organizations and neighbourhood groups plan and execute community-building events that connect residents with their local streets, parks and green spaces, and each other. The program has been on hold for the past two years as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

At the regular Council meeting on October 25, 2021, Council endorsed the 2022 Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Program as part of the 2022 City Event Program.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Strategy #3 One Community Together:

Vibrant and diverse arts and cultural activities and opportunities for community engagement and connection.

3.1 Foster community resiliency, neighbourhood identity, sense of belonging, and intercultural harmony.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Strategy #4 An Active and Thriving Richmond:

An active and thriving community characterized by diverse social and wellness programs, services and spaces that foster health and well-being for all.

This report supports the following Strategic Directions set out in the *Richmond Arts Strategy*:

Strategic Direction #1: Ensure Affordable and Accessible Arts for All

- 1.1.1 Review the City's offerings of free and low-cost arts programming and events, and assess required resources to keep cost barriers low.*
- 1.1.2 Develop or expand opportunities to directly support individual artists, cultural organizations and venues that provide low and no cost public program delivery.*

Strategic Direction #2: Promote Inclusivity and Diversity in the Arts

- 2.1. Celebrate Richmond's cultural diversity, history, growth and change as a community.*
- 2.1.5 Connect with the diverse cultural communities of Richmond (including faith-based communities) to encourage sharing of art, food and music.*

This report supports the following Strategic Directions set out in the *Community Wellness Strategy*:

Focus Area #2: Enhance physical and social connectedness within and among neighbourhoods and communities.

This report supports the following Strategic Directions set out in the *Cultural Harmony Plan*:

Strategic Direction #1: Intercultural Connections

- 1.1 *Continue to recognize and celebrate Richmond's diverse cultures and unique heritage through intercultural celebrations and events.*
- 1.2 *Develop and implement a neighbourhood approach to facilitating positive intercultural exchange and understanding between Richmond's diverse cultural communities, such as community-based dialogues, storytelling, and sharing of art, food, and music.*
- 1.5 *Incorporate criteria into the City Grant program that supports programs and events that facilitate intercultural interaction and promote intercultural understanding.*

Strategic Direction #5: Programs and Services

- 5.4 *Strengthen relationships with various cultural and ethnic communities in order to integrate their arts, cultural and heritage practices into the City's programs and events.*

Analysis

Program Objectives and Eligibility Criteria

The Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Program fosters community engagement at the grassroots level by providing an opportunity for groups of residents, artists and community organizations to submit proposals for events and initiatives to (re)connect residents of diverse backgrounds through shared experiences.

The Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Program supports a number of the guiding principles of the Council-endorsed City Events Strategy including: building local capacity by investing in community-driven events; providing opportunities for Richmond residents and community groups to collaborate, contribute and participate; and maximizing social benefits to the community by fostering volunteerism and increasing sense of community pride and belonging.

This program also supports the objectives of the Community Wellness Strategy and offers opportunities to activate specific actions in the Cultural Harmony Plan at the grassroots level by incorporating criteria that prioritizes proposals that facilitate intercultural interaction and promote intercultural understanding.

The objectives of the program are to:

- Provide an opportunity for groups of neighbours, artists, community champions and community organizations to receive funding to support initiatives and activities that offer opportunities to connect residents of diverse backgrounds through shared experiences;
- Encourage community event planners to collaborate with community partners, local businesses and Richmond-based artists to animate local neighborhoods, parks and open spaces and engage community members to make new neighbourhood connections;
- Encourage the development of grassroots events that support priority themes identified in the Cultural Harmony Plan, such as facilitating intercultural interaction and promoting intercultural understanding; and
- Promote environmentally sustainable event practices, ensuring events follow the principles set out in the Richmond Sustainable Event Toolkit.

Eligible applicants include:

- Richmond based neighbourhood groups (application must come from two individuals living in the same neighbourhood but from different households. Both applicants are responsible for managing the grant money);
- Not-for-profit community groups;
- Local artists who connect with a local neighbourhood group or community organization;
- Parent Advisory Committees;
- Community Associations; and
- Student Councils.

Individuals, political parties or events related to political activities or lobbying, events or projects that have funding from another City of Richmond grants program, and for-profit organizations and business are ineligible for funding. (Attachment 1 – Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Program Guide)

Additionally, all applicants must agree to adhere to any relevant Provincial Health Orders at the time of the event. They must demonstrate capacity and provide a realistic estimate of resources needed and total budget required in their proposal. The event must take place in Richmond and prior to December 31, 2022.

Program Promotions and Applications Received

The launch of the Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Program was announced to the public on May 2, 2022 via the City website, various social media channels, through targeted communications to previous program applicants and in community facilities throughout Richmond.

In total, 105 applications were received by the May 23, 2022 deadline. Applicants included Parent Advisory Councils, student groups, neighbourhood and strata groups, and non-profit societies. A summary of all submissions can be found in Attachment 2.

This represents a significant increase from 2019 when 54 applications were received and 44 projects totalling \$55,103 were funded. In 2020, 62 applications were received but none were funded as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Adjudication Process

Of the 105 applicants, 61 are recommended for funding and 43 were deemed ineligible for funding as they failed to meet the eligibility criteria and/or program mandate. One submission was received that had no project or budget information, so was not included in the review.

An adjudication panel reviewed the applications and evaluated each project based on the following five key areas: alignment with program community engagement objectives, inclusiveness/intercultural connections, capacity, budget and sustainability. A score was then assigned to each project.

The 61 eligible projects requested a cumulative total of \$141,630 in grant funding however, some projects requested funding for expenses that were ineligible. The ineligible expenses were deducted from the project's requested funding total which reduced the total eligible funding requests to \$133,134.

With a goal to award a level of funding to all eligible projects, the adjudication team multiplied the project score (expressed as a percentage) by the project's eligible funding request. In order to fund all of the eligible projects within the \$75,000 budget for this program, staff recommend that all eligible applicants receive 79% of this amount as detailed in Attachment 2. This resulted in a total of \$74,947.96 in recommended funding.

Next Steps

Pending Council approval of the 2022 Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Program allocation, all applicants will be notified of the status of their application. Staff will provide the necessary resources and guidance to all successful applicants, including referring them to the Richmond Event Approval Coordination Team (REACT) process, if necessary. Applicants whose submissions were deemed to be ineligible this year will be provided with recommendations to inform potential future applications, including connections with community organizations/associations which may offer future partnership opportunities either within or outside of this program.

Applicants who receive funding will be asked to submit a brief final report providing an overview of the event/initiative, including the number of attendees, how the funds were used, and a photograph.

Financial Impact

The 2022 Neighbourhood Celebration Grants budget of \$75,000 was approved as part of the City's 2022 Operating Budget. A total of \$74,947.96 in allocations is being recommended for the 2022 Neighbourhood Celebration Grant program, subject to City Council's approval.

Conclusion

The distribution of \$74,947.96 through the Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Program will support Richmond-based non-profits and neighbourhood groups to develop and deliver initiatives and events that connect, and re-connect, residents with their local neighbourhoods, parks and green spaces, and each other after many challenging months of navigating the pandemic. These events and initiatives will provide lasting social benefits to the community by enhancing event planning and hosting capacity at the neighbourhood level, encouraging intercultural connections, and contributing to an increased sense of community connectedness and belonging.



Lisa Fedoruk
Program Manager, Events
(604-276-4320)

- Att. 1: Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Program Guide
2: Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Proposed Distribution

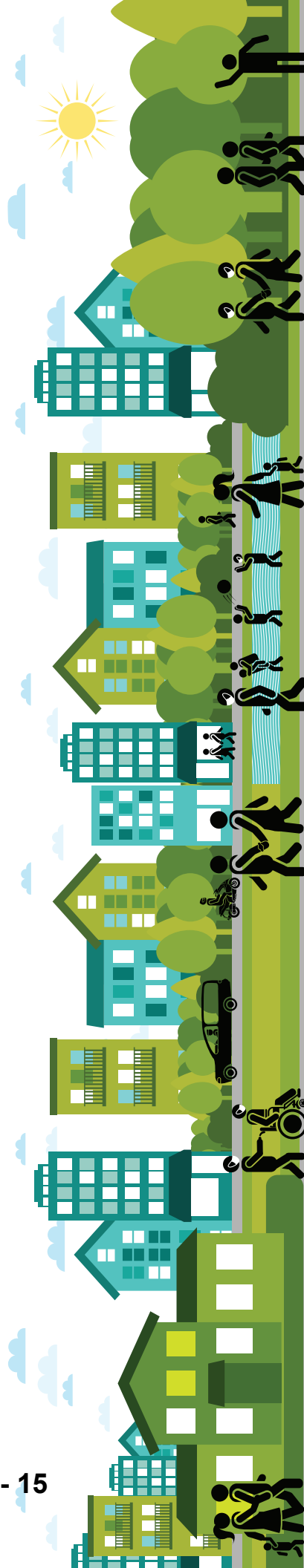
RICHMOND NEIGHBOURHOOD CELEBRATION GRANT PROGRAM

Receive up to \$2,500 in funding to plan and implement events or shared experiences that (re)connect residents and encourage new neighbourhood connections.

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APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MAY 23, 2022.

For more information,
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RICHMOND NEIGHBOURHOOD CELEBRATION GRANT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES:

The Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Program is designed to provide an opportunity for groups of neighbours, local artists, community champions and community organizations to submit creative proposals for events that offer opportunities to (re)connect residents of diverse backgrounds through shared experiences that can be delivered safely even if barriers to gathering in physical locations continue into summer/fall of 2022.

This year's program will:

- Support participatory activities reflective of the themes of (re)connection.
- Encourage collaboration with residents, community organizations and Richmond-based artists to animate neighbourhoods, local business districts, parks and open spaces and encourage community members to make new neighbourhood connections.
- Support events and activities that facilitate intercultural interaction and promote intercultural understanding.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:

- Richmond-based neighbourhood groups (application must come from two individuals living in the same neighbourhood but from different households. Both applicants are responsible for managing the grant money).
- Not-for-profit community groups
- Local artists who connect with a local neighbourhood group or community organization
- Parent Advisory Committees
- Community Associations
- Student Councils

INELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:

- Individuals
- Political parties or events related to political activities or lobbying
- Events or projects that have funding from another City of Richmond grants program
- For-profit organizations or businesses

ELIGIBLE PROJECT EXPENSES:

- Supplies and materials
- Food
- Artist fees
- Sustainability initiatives
- Marketing materials
- Insurance

INELIGIBLE PROJECT EXPENSES:

- Expenses that have already been incurred at the time of the application
- Building construction and repairs
- Proposals which primarily fund or award other groups or individuals
- Political activities
- Travel costs
- Ongoing operational expenses for organizations
- Capital projects
- Office administration
- Fundraisers
- Deficit reduction
- Activity outside of Richmond
- Bursaries or scholarships

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA:

- Event must demonstrate alignment with the program objectives.
- Event must be inclusive and demonstrate engagement of community members from diverse backgrounds.
- Applicants must show evidence of capacity to host event.

DELIVERABLES:

- Group photo
- Post event summary report

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

- May 23, 2022

APPLY ONLINE:

- www.richmond.ca/celebrationgrant



Neighbourhood Celebration Grant Proposed Distribution 2022

An adjudication panel reviewed the applications and evaluated each project based on the following five key areas: alignment with program community engagement objectives, inclusiveness/intercultural connections, capacity, budget and sustainability. A score was then assigned to each project.

With a goal to award a level of funding to all eligible projects, the adjudication team multiplied the project score (expressed as a percentage) by the project’s eligible funding request. In order to fund these programs within the \$75,000 budget staff have recommended that all eligible applicants receive 79% of this amount.

RECOMMENDED							
	Project	Organization	Description	(A) Adjudicator Avg. Score	(B) Requested Funding	(C) Eligible Requested Funding	(A) x (C) x 79% = (D) Recommended Grant Funding
1	Tomsett Elementary Back to School BBQ	Tomsett School PAC	An outdoor event to allow families and teachers to reconnect again.	79%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,560.25
2	Dorval and Woodward's Neighbourhood Canada Day Celebration	Neighbours	An event to build and solidify community connections and neighbourhood pride.	66%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,303.50
3	Dockside Community Block Party	More Than a Roof	Community block party at South Arm Pool for tenants of Dockside complex.	68%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,343.00
4	Kiwanis Towers Community BBQ	Richmond Kiwanis Senior Citizens Housing Society	A Kiwanis Community BBQ for the residents to allow seniors isolated due to Covid-19 to meet and greet their fellow neighbours once again.	87%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,718.25
5	St. Alban's Community Picnic	Parish of St. Alban's	A picnic to recognize the dozens of volunteers who help with the outreach programs, and to celebrate with the entire neighbourhood.	81%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,599.75
6	Richmond Cosom Hockey Block Party	Richmond Cosom Floor Hockey Association	Introduce community members to Cosom Hockey by providing introductory skills, activities and games throughout the weekend.	66%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,303.50
7	Stanford Post COVID Block Party 2022	Neighbours	Block party to celebrate togetherness.	69%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,362.75
8	Celebration of Light	Richmond Jewish Day School	An event that will celebrate peace and diversity by hosting neighbouring religious communities along the “Highway to Heaven” for a night of warmth, snacks, songs, and joy through a celebration of diversity around the theme of light.	89%	\$2,500	\$1,500.00	\$ 1,054.65
9	Our Saviour Community Pollinator Garden	Our Saviour Lutheran Church	This community pollinator garden celebration event will promote opportunities for Richmond residents to collaborate, contribute and participate in Our Saviour's community garden initiative by fostering volunteerism and increasing a sense of community pride and belonging.	72%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,422.00
10	Chanukah Skate 2022	Chabad of Richmond	Chabad will be inviting the entire Richmond community to participate in a Chanukah Skate & Party at Minoru Arenas. This program is open to the entire community and represents the diversity of our community. Event to be followed by Candle Lighting of Menorah at Library Square.	81%	\$2,400	\$2,400.00	\$ 1,535.76
11	Steveston Block Party	Neighbours	A "block party" for the residents of Steveston, including live music, a BBQ, kids’ face painting, balloon artist, crafts and henna art and pick up hockey games.	80%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,580.00
12	Community Multicultural Gathering	Neighbours	Bring together the members of Delta Green Co-op to help reconnect with old and new members alike through	77%	\$2,500	\$2,200.00	\$ 1,338.26

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			food, music, art and games.				
13	Vintage Fair	Steveston Historical Society	Activate the space with a Vintage Market to bring community together in fun, outdoor setting.	54%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,066.50
14	Richmond, BC Chess - Meet, Greet and Play	Neighbours	A chess club meet up event to allow people to make new connections through the game of chess.	71%	\$2,450	\$2,450.00	\$ 1,374.21
15	Mamas Coming Together	Mamas for Mamas	An event to connect moms with other local mamas for support and guidance.	67%	\$2,500	\$1,550.00	\$ 820.42
16	City Centre Concerts in the Park	City Centre Community Association	A series of community gatherings that celebrates community connection and showcases diversity through performances from local artists and musicians.	73%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,441.75
17	Walking in a Westwind Wonderland	Neighbours	A community event that asks neighbours in the Westwind neighbourhood to decorate their house for the festive season, turn the lights on together at 7pm, and then stroll the neighbourhood to enjoy the holiday cheer.	78%	\$2,500	\$1,700.00	\$ 1,047.54
18	Artists in the Park	Steveston Community Society	Opportunity for Steveston residents to (re)connect and engage with one another through arts, crafts, games and performances.	82%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,619.50
19	We Belong	Richmond Family Place Society	RFP families from the many cultures represented in Richmond will be invited to create a participatory activity based on their own cultural background to share with children and families from the community within the theme of “connection and belonging”.	87%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,718.25
20	Community Gardeners Meet and Greet	Urban Bounty	This event will bring together all Paulik Park partners that use the growing spaces to formally meet for the first time. User groups are not aware of who shares the space and this event would help to build relationships and embrace the principles of diversity and inclusion.	76%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,501.00
21	Motivational Mornings	Thompson Community Association	Provide opportunities for youth in our community to re-engage, form connection, find support and joy in our communities through barrier free breakfast and an open floor to talk about health and wellness as well as inclusion of youth in the community.	71%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,402.25
22	Miyawaki Pocket Forest Planting Event	Richmond Secondary Green Team	A grassroots event held in the outdoor learning environment built at Richmond High School raising awareness about the pocket forest being planted there.	74%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,461.50
23	Jasmine Lane Community Connections	Strata	Connecting residents of a townhouse complex through a BBQ with games and activities.	78%	\$1,000	\$1,000.00	\$ 616.20
24	Richmond Family Carnival	Church on Five	A free carnival and block party, open to everyone in the community.	78%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,540.50

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25	Amazing Grade 7 Grad Scavenger Hunt	Ecole William Bridge Elementary School PAC	An "Amazing Race" event to bring a diverse community together to celebrate former grade 7 grads who were not able to celebrate their elementary school exit due to pandemic along with current grads.	72%	\$2,000	\$1,700.00	\$ 966.96
26	Richmond Eid Fest	BC Muslim Association	Introduce the Eid Al-Adha celebration to the wider Richmond community.	79%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,560.25
27	St. Joseph the Worker Summer Fair	St. Joseph the Worker Parish	An event inclusive of all residents of Richmond that promises family fun for all ages.	84%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,659.00
28	Summer Celebration Series	West Richmond Community Association	Three events on consecutive Tuesday evenings in July/August focused on bringing the community together outdoors in a fun and creative way to encourage togetherness and highlight the diverse and vibrant West Richmond Community.	83%	\$2,000	\$1,400.00	\$ 917.98
29	General Currie Neighbourhood Block Party	General Currie School PAC	An opportunity for neighbours to get together, meet each other, have fun and work together on team building activities.	80%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,580.00
30	Edgewater Family Picnic	Strata	Gathering of Edgewater families for an afternoon of fun for all ages to gather and reconnect after being apart for so long.	69%	\$2,000	\$2,000.00	\$ 1,090.20
31	A Vision for Richmond - A Connection of New and Old	Richmond Multicultural Community Services	An interactive intergenerational event for up to 250 people where newcomers can mingle and meet community leaders and longer established families and learn more about community recreation, health, employment, housing and settlement services.	89%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,757.75
32	Getting To Know You – Granville Gardens	Housing Co-op	A seniors lunch initiative to enable senior residents to meet neighbors, socialize and have a nutritious meal.	78%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,540.50
33	Richmond Growing - a community harvest gathering	Urban Bounty	A potluck and sharing circle celebrating our mutual love for food regardless of language or lived experience.	57%	\$2,500.00	\$1,300.00	\$ 585.39
34	Community Cob Oven	Sharing Farm Society	A cob building workshop in August followed by a harvest celebration in late September, after the fire ban is lifted.	70%	\$2,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$ 1,106.00
35	South Arm Neighbourhood Block Party	South Arm Community Association	A free, family friendly opportunity for the local community to come together and reconnect through a night filled with outdoor games and activities, fitness try-its, live performances from local performers and local food vendors.	73%	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,441.75
36	JN Burnett FIRST Robotics - Community Open House	FIRST Robotics Club - JN Burnett Secondary School	A community open house event to foster creativity and community amongst future generations of youth entrepreneurs within Richmond.	61%	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$ 1,156.56
37	The Jensen/Harrison Summer Block Party	Neighbours	A summer Block Party to allow residents to meet in person again.	70%	\$2,500.00	\$2,200.00	\$ 1,216.60
38	British Columbia Chinese Soccer Federation summer fun day	BC Chinese Soccer Federation	An event to connect more local residents to join a multicultural soccer league.	60%	\$2,500.00	\$1,924.00	\$ 911.98

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39	Garry Estates Block Party and Garden Celebration	Strata	A community planting and decorating party offering hands-on activities for all ages and abilities, including a planting station, a bird and bat house building station, and a stepping stone painting area.	73%	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$ 1,384.08
40	Welcome to the Hood	Neighbours	A street party to meet and greet one another and build a sense of community spirit.	69%	\$1,750.00	\$1,750.00	\$ 953.93
41	Odlinwood Neighbourhood Party	Neighbours	A pot-luck style party in a close-by park where it is safe for all ages to gather and share before the school year starts in September.	72%	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,422.00
42	Community Block Party – Diefenbaker Park	Neighbours	Re-connect with neighbours and friends by having a neighbourhood block party.	72%	\$1,200.00	\$1,000.00	\$ 568.80
43	Welcome Back to Walter Lee Family BBQ	Walter Lee School PAC	To enhance the school’s annual Meet the Teachers event, a Welcome Back to Walter Lee family BBQ will(re)connect families to the school, community and each other.	78%	\$2,500.00	\$2,200.00	\$ 1,355.64
44	Kobe Memory Basketball Festival	Kobe Memory Basketball Club	A half day basketball festival including drop in contests, street ball exhibition show, dancing show, fitness workshop, and carnival type participation games for kids and family.	46%	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$ 908.50
45	Welcome Back Diefenbaker 2022	Diefenbaker School PAC	A community BBQ/Outdoor Movie night.	62%	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,224.50
46	Knit for Charity	Neighbours	Engage community members through free yarn craft workshops (e.g. knitting, crochet, loom), with finished products donated to those less fortunate.	65%	\$2,500.00	\$1,430.00	\$ 734.31
47	Islamic Art Experience Festival	Community Arts Council of Richmond	Connecting Richmondites together with the hope of creating a new tradition of celebrating Canadian diversity with Islamic Art.	75%	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,481.25
48	McKinney Crossing Summer Bash	Neighbours	An inclusive, all ages Neighbourhood block party connecting the diverse people and families in the area together.	70%	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,382.50
49	Fall Festival	Dixon Elementary School PAC	A gathering to reconnect the local community and school families.	63%	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,244.25
50	Recognition of Indigenous Day and Reconciliation Day	James Gilmore Elementary School PAC	This project will provide funding for art supplies and a speaker for a Reconciliation Day program at James Gilmore Elementary school.	41%	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$ 809.75
51	Celebrating Sustainable Gardening	Richmond Allotment Garden Association	An event to bring the gardeners together with the neighbourhood, feature learning sessions, volunteer appreciation, pot luck lunch and live music.	68%	\$1,430.00	\$1,430.00	\$ 768.20
52	Keywest is a family	Neighbours	A happy party through which community members can get to know each other better.	49%	\$2,500.00	\$2,100.00	\$ 812.91
53	Music in the Park	Ferris Elementary School PAC	Ferris Elementary Grade 6/7 band would like to invite the whole community to come out and enjoy an outdoor concert performance.	68%	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$ 1,074.40
54	DeBeck Community Scavenger Hunt	DeBeck School PAC	The scavenger hunt is a great way for parents, students, and staff to collaborate in a fun activity while making meaningful connections	67%	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,323.25

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			that will last throughout the school year.				
55	Block Party – Rekis Avenue	Neighbours	Event to get to know the households on the same block.	62%	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$ 391.84
56	Annual Summer Block Party	Neighbours	A block party to get everyone mingling and having fun, reconnecting with old neighbours, and meeting new ones.	69%	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$ 545.10
57	Branscombe Social	West Richmond Community Association	An intergenerational celebration BBQ/Block Party event outside at Branscombe House where people jam and create music together.	85%	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,678.75
58	International Day	BC Muslim School PAC	The event, open to the school and broader community, will celebrate the multicultural mosaic of the school’s diversity.	88%	\$2,500	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,738.00
59	G.O.A's Community Picnic	GOA Vancouver	An event to reconnect GOA Vancouver members for an afternoon of music, sports and activities.	47%	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00	\$ 853.99
60	Meet the Teacher Night BBQ - Spul'u'kwuks Elementary School	Spul'u'kwuks Elementary School PAC	A BBQ to encourage mingling during Meet the Teacher Night.	68%	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$ 1,343.00
61	Bike Parade for Steveston Spirits	Neighbours	A children's bike parade to re-build spirits in Steveston community after COVID.	46%	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$ 726.80
	Total				\$ 141,630	\$133,134	\$ 74,947.96

Not Recommended For Funding				
	Project	Requested Funding	Ineligible Submission Due To:	Proposed Recommendation to Applicant
62	Navratri - Garba Event	Not specified	Individuals from same household	Consider potential partnership with community centre
63	Diwali Festival Celebration	1,000.00	Individuals from same household	Consider potential partnership with community centre
64	Bibingka Breakfast - A Fusion Pancake Breakfast Celebration	2,500.00	Proposed event has already occurred	Consider potential partnership with community centre
65	She Shanty Socials	2,500.00	Individual applicant	Consider submitting a program proposal to a community centre.
66	Indo Canadian Roots in Canada Heritage Celebration	2,500.00	Individuals from same household; budget not clearly defined	Consider potential partnership with community centre
67	Clawsum Kids Club SUMMER CAMP	2,500.00	Proposal does not meet program mandate.	Consider potential partnership with community centre
68	Post COVID Summer Celebration	2,500.00	Individuals from same household	Consider co-submitting application with another neighbour.
69	Creating a welcoming neighbourhood	2,500.00	Individuals from same household	Consider co-submitting application with another neighbour or partnering with a community association.
70	Chess tables at the Park	Not specified	Individual applicant; budget not clearly defined	Consider future partnership opportunity with community centre
71	Community Connections Summer Flash Mob	750.00	Individuals from same household	Consider potential partnership with community centre
72	Richmond Health Companion Day	2,500.00	For profit business	Consider potential partnership with local businesses or business organization
73	South Arm Park BBQ	800.00	Individuals from same household	Consider co-submitting application with another neighbour or partnering with a community association.
74	Kids Paint Day	2,500.00	Not enough detail in proposal or budget to assess; not clear how it is targeting Richmond neighbourhood	
75	Welcome Summer Vacation	1,500.00	Individuals from same household	Consider co-submitting application with another neighbour or partnering with a community association.
76	Madrona Mingles	705.00	Individual applicant	Consider co-submitting application with another neighbour.
77	Community Get Together for parents responsible pet raising in the community	2,000.00	Proposed activity to take place outside of Richmond, co-applicant not from Richmond	
78	No event name	1,500.00	No event description/details provided.	
79	Community Pizza Bake	1500-1700	Individuals from same household who are a for-profit business	Consider potential partnership with community society or association

Not Recommended For Funding				
	Project	Requested Funding	Ineligible Submission Due To:	Proposed Recommendation to Applicant
80	Chinese Moms reunion		Applicants not Richmond residents and proposed venue not in Richmond	
81	Kingsley Community Block Party	2,500.00	Individuals from same household; unrealistic budget	Consider co-submitting application with another neighbour and refining budget.
82	Renew well-being	2,500.00	Does not meet mandate of grant; ongoing programming	
83	Richmond 3 on 3 basketball league	Not specified	Does not meet mandate of grant; proposal for a basketball league	Consider potential partnership with community centre
84	Soul Dance 2022	2,500.00	Does not meet mandate of grant; paid performance at River Rock.	
85	Richmond Yule Ball	2,500.00	Applicants are not Richmond residents	Consider completing a facility rental application at local community facility
86	How to Maximize your Resources	2,300.00	Does not meet mandate of grant; proposal for an employment Skills program	Consider potential partnership with community centre or local community organization
87	Association members reunion	2,190.00	Does not meet mandate of program for inclusive event; event only open to association members from across BC.	
88	Gratitude Messages	2,500.00	Proposal is for an activation as part of Steveston Salmon Festival	Connect applicant with Steveston Salmon Festival Committee.
89	Virtue based summer camp 2022	1,000.00	Proposal does not meet program mandate.	Consider potential partnership with community centre
90	Bridgeview Courts Community BBQ	2,500.00	Not enough detail in proposal or budget to assess.	
91	Maple Lane Playground Grand Opening	2,500.00	Does not meet program mandate; murals are coordinated through the City's Public Art Program.	Refer to Community Mural Program.
92	Dragon boat festival community block party	900.00	Individuals from same household.	Consider co-submitting application with another neighbour or partnering with a community association.
93	English Club	2,500.00	Individuals from same household; lack of detail in proposal and budget.	Consider partnership with community centre or other community organization.
94	6 Weeks to Wellness - Helping Women Enjoy & Thrive Together in Richmond Again	2,500.00	Does not meet program mandate.	Consider partnership with community centre or other community organization
95	Rebranding of the Richmond Ravens	2,500.00	Does not meet program mandate.	
96	Southwind Resident's Block Party	625.00	Individuals from same household.	Consider co-submitting application with another neighbour.
97	Better tomorrow	not specified	No detail provided.	
98	Making traditional Chinese rice-pudding and handmade article	2,500.00	Individuals from same household; limited event description to determine alignment with program mandate.	Consider co-submitting application with another neighbour or partnering with a community association.
99	Kids is future	2,500.00	Individuals from same household; unrealistic budget.	Consider co-submitting application with another neighbour or partnering with preschool.
100	Richmond Food Festival	2,500.00	Scope of proposal not aligned with program mandate.	Consider other partnership opportunities.
101	Puppet Show: "The King Salmon's Ring"	2,500.00	Only one local applicant; this type of project should be coordinated with Steveston Salmon Festival Committee directly.	Connect applicant with Steveston Salmon Festival Committee.
102	Here Comes Summer BBQ in Support of Richmond Food Bank and Big Brothers of Greater Vancouver	2,500.00	Does not meet program mandate; proposed event has already occurred.	
103	Ferndale Block Party	not specified	Not enough detail in proposal or budget to assess.	
104	Hamilton Night Out	2,500.00	Event has already received funding through PRCE Grant Program.	



City of Richmond

Report to Committee


To:	General Purposes Committee	Date:	June 7, 2022
From:	Serena Lusk Deputy CAO and GM, Community Services	File:	11-7000-01/2022-Vol 01
Re:	Endorsement of UBCM Resolution for Library Funding		

Staff Recommendation

That the resolution in support of restoring provincial funding for public libraries, as outlined in Attachment 1 of the attached report from the Chief Librarian, be endorsed and forwarded to the Union of BC Municipalities for consideration during its 2022 Convention.

Serena Lusk
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Att. 1

REPORT CONCURRENCE
APPROVED BY CAO 

TO: Serena Lusk
Deputy CAO and GM, Community Services

FROM: Susan Walters
Chief Librarian

DATE: June 7, 2022

Recommendation

That the resolution in support of restoring provincial funding for public libraries, as outlined in Attachment 1, be endorsed and forwarded to the Union of BC Municipalities for consideration during its 2022 Convention.

Origin

This report requests Council support for a resolution to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) for restoring provincial support for public libraries. This resolution applies the principles of Council's Long Term Financial Management Strategy (LTFMS 3703), support policy #3: Alternative Revenues and Economic Development:

“Any increases in alternative revenues and economic development beyond all the financial strategy targets can be utilized for increased level of service or reduce the tax rate.”

Analysis

Background

Libraries are critical to creating robust, resilient communities. They are community hubs, promoting belonging and equity. They support traditional and technological literacy, and through well-trained and compassionate staff, connect residents to essential services.

Public Libraries and Library Federations established under the authority of the Library Act are eligible for provincial funding. The BC Government provides annual operating grants to public libraries. As the most equitable and accessible public amenities across BC, consisting of 71 library systems, public libraries require ongoing reliable investment.

In recent years, the BC Library Partners (Association of BC Public Library Directors, BC Library Trustees Association, BC Libraries Association and the BC Libraries Cooperative) have advocated to the provincial government for increased funding. Since 2016, the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services has made specific recommendations for public libraries.

While these appeals have increased understanding of the need for adequate and reliable provincial funding and yielded one-time funding for specific initiatives – \$3 million for Digital Initiatives (2020) and \$8 million for COVID-19 Relief and Recovery (2022) – they have not resulted in a permanent, sustained increase to provincial funding for BC public libraries. The draft Union of BC Municipalities resolution attached to this report was drafted by the Association of BC Public Library Directors to be shared with Library Boards across the Province.

At their meeting on May 27, 2022, the Richmond Public Library Board passed a motion to request Richmond City Council to consider a resolution to the Union of BC Municipalities to appeal for increased provincial support for public libraries.

Financial Implications of Provincial Funding

In 2009, provincial funding for libraries was reduced by 20%, from \$17.6 million to \$14 million. Since 2010, annual provincial funding has remained stagnant.

Richmond Public Library's 2022 annual budget is \$10.9 million, with 95.6% of the funding provided by the City of Richmond. Based on grants in prior years and increase in population, the

library's 2022 budget identified the provincial contribution as \$376,500 which represents 3.5% of the overall library budget.

Between 2015 and 2022, provincial operating grants to Richmond Public Library decreased 7.4% from \$406,253 to \$376,500 despite increases to cost of living and population growth.

Table 1 provides the breakdown of the provincial funding for the last eight years:

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019-2022
Per Capita Operating	358,319	358,319	369,836	352,990	352,990
One Card Grant	40,873	35,153	30,229	20,593	16,664
BC Equity Grant	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
Resource Sharing Grants	2,831	3,128	2,116	1,991	2,374
Provincial Grant Total	406,523	401,100	406,681	380,074	376,528

With no annual increase in funding support from the Province, there is increased financial pressure on the City of Richmond and Richmond Public Library's limited revenue options to address inflationary pressure and meet the demand for new and expanded services.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

Supporting a Union of BC Municipalities resolution for restoring provincial funding for public libraries is aligned with the principles of Council's Long Term Financial Management Strategy and supports the advocacy work of the BC Library Partners and other municipalities across the province.



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Att. 1: Draft UBCM Resolution in Support of Restoring Provincial Funding for Public Libraries

Proposed Council Resolution Supporting Restoring Provincial Funding for Public Libraries

WHEREAS libraries in British Columbia are largely financed by levies paid by local governments, and where provincial library funding has remained stagnant for the past 10 years;

AND WHEREAS public libraries are central to communities, providing equitable access to vital resources including internet, computers, digital tools and in-person services from expert staff;

AND WHEREAS public libraries provide British Columbians with low-barrier services that support job seekers and small businesses, that increase literacy in communities, that advance reconciliation with Indigenous peoples, and that promote equity and inclusion;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Richmond urge the Government of British Columbia to provide long-term sustainable funding for public libraries in BC;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Province ensure that BC Libraries will henceforth receive regular increases to Provincial Government funding in subsequent years.