



REQUEST FOR DECISION

To: Mayor & Members of Council

Title: Director of Planning & Community Services – Shuswap Recreation Society Enabling Accessibility Fund Grant application letter of support

Date: October 27, 2025

Motion for Consideration:

THAT: Council provide a letter of support to the Shuswap Recreation Society for an application to the Enabling Accessibility Fund (Youth Innovation) grant program.

Background:

The Shuswap Recreation Society is intending on making a grant application November 2, 2025 to the Enabling Accessibility Fund (Youth Innovation).

The Enabling Accessibility Fund – Youth Innovation Component (EAF-YIC) is a Canadian federal initiative that empowers youth aged 15–30 to volunteer as “Youth Accessibility Leaders” and collaborate with community organizations to identify and remove accessibility barriers in workplaces or public spaces. Through this role, participants raise awareness of accessibility needs, support eligible organizations in preparing proposals, and help secure funding (up to about CAD \$12,000) for projects over up to 12 months. The broader goal is to build leadership skills in youth, foster inclusive communities, and increase opportunities for persons with disabilities to fully participate in Canadian society. More information is available at Canada.ca+2Canada.ca+2

The proposed project is to install an accessibility ramp into the wading pool at the Salmon Arm Aquatic Centre. A letter of support would significantly strengthen the Shuswap Recreation Society's application for this grant by demonstrating community commitment and partnership.

Legislative authority / plans / reports:

	Official Community Plan		Master Plan
	Community Charter/LGA	X	Other
	Bylaw/Policy		Corporate Strategic Plan
	Zoning Bylaw		2025-2029 Financial Plan
			Long Term Financial Plan

Financial Considerations:

None.

Alternatives & Implications:

Council could decline to provide a letter of support. SRS would then likely not submit an application.

Communication:

N/A

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Reviewed by: Director of Planning & Community Services
Approved by: Chief Administrative Officer

Attachments:

- Draft letter of support