

C2020-0526 COVID-19 Relief Package to Support Community Associations and Social Recreation Groups Strategic Meeting of Council– May 11, 2020

May 11, 2020 | C2020-0526



Key Messages

- Over 180 community associations and sport recreation groups operate close to \$1 billion in City-owned assets to provide social, recreation, and community-building opportunities
- Public health orders have significantly impacted the ability of these organizations to meet fixed daily expenses
- Leveraging the Community Sustainability Reserve with additional guidelines allows quick action
- The investment would allow these organizations to continue to support the social wellbeing and quality of life of Calgarians



Recommendations

That Council:

- Allocate \$6 million from the Operating Budget Savings Account to the Community Sustainability Reserve to support community associations and social recreation groups with a lease and/or license of occupation with The City of Calgary, to support their immediate financial needs; and
- Approve the Guidelines for COVID-19 Response Funding (Attachment 1) to guide COVID-19 Pandemic financial supports to community associations and social recreation groups made available through the Community Sustainability Reserve.