


Civic Partner Update

Community and Protective Services Committee
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Calgary Zoo Land of Lemurs Exhibit

- 5400 sq m Land of Lemurs interactive exhibit
- Supports Zoo's commitment to conservation and education
- Designed to meet new flood construction levels
- Project is Shovel ready
- Completion by summer 2017
- First new exhibit since Penguin Plunge in 2012

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Economic Impact

- Increases appeal of Zoo for Calgarians and tourists
- Projected to increase attendance rates by 40,000 visits
- Additional economic impact of \$2.6 million in first full season
- Builds additional capacity for visitor distribution prior to the arrival of the Giant Pandas in Spring 2018.

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Project Investment

- Requested investment of 1/3 of the cost from The City(\$2.7M)
- Society contributing 2/3 of the cost (\$5.26M)
- Top emergent priority project on CPRIP list
- Verify 90% of the Zoo funding is secured prior to funds being released.
- Society has completed an operating impact assessment and budgeted for increased operating costs in 2016



Administration Recommendation

That the Standing Policy Committee (SPC) on Community and Protective Services recommend that Council approve a capital appropriation increase to Capital Budget Program 510 – Calgary Zoo by \$2.7 million funded by the Municipal Sustainability Initiative.

