

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – AGENDA

Agenda for the Special Council Meeting scheduled for
Thursday, June 29, 2023, at 6:00 PM to be held electronically.



The public may attend to hear, or watch and hear, the proceedings that are open to the public at the Village Hall located at **100 Buntzen Creek Road**.

1. **Call to Order**

2. **Approval of the Agenda**

Recommendation: That the Agenda be approved as circulated.

3. **Public Input**

**Note: The public is permitted to provide comments to Council on any item shown on this meeting agenda. A two-minute time limit applies to speakers.*

4. **New Business**

(a) **Local Government Climate Action Program and Canada Community Building Fund Allocation**

Recommendation: THAT staff be directed to allocate funding of up to \$_____ of the available \$118,164 from the Local Government Climate Action Program and \$_____ of the available \$260,766 from the Canada Community-Building Fund for an Electric Vehicle Charging Station and surrounding infrastructure at the Anmore Community Hub.
(Deferred from the Regular Council Meeting of June 27, 2023)

(b) **Anmore Community Hub Construction**

5. **Adjournment**



VILLAGE OF ANMORE

REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: June 23, 2023 File No. 1855-01

Submitted by: Lena Martin

Subject: Local Government Climate Action Program and Canada Community-Building Fund Allocation

Purpose / Introduction

To seek direction from Council on spending priorities and allocation of up to \$378,930 of available funding received from the Local Government Climate Action Program and the Canada Community-Building Fund (formally called the Federal Gas Tax Fund).

Recommended Option

THAT staff be directed to allocate funding of up to \$_____ of the available \$118,164 from the Local Government Climate Action Program and \$_____ of the available \$260,766 from the Canada Community-Building Fund for an Electric Vehicle Charging Station and surrounding infrastructure at the Anmore Community Hub.

Background

The Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) was created to provide local governments and Modern Treaty Nations with predictable and stable funding. This funding supports local climate actions that reduce emissions and prepare communities for the impacts of a changing climate. LGCAP provides funding for local governments and Modern Treaty Nations to plan and implement climate action that will:

- Reduce emissions
- Create new opportunities for people in the clean economy
- Build community resilience to future climate impacts

In 2022, the Village received funding of \$59,082, to support local climate initiatives aligned with the CleanBC Roadmap and the draft Climate Preparedness and Adaptation Strategy. It is expected that the Village will receive funding annually for the same value.

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The Village holds a reserve amount of \$59,082 for eligible projects at December 31, 2022, and is expected to receive additional funding of approximately \$59,082 in 2023.

As part of B.C.'s 2030 commitment to reduce province-wide emissions by 40% from 2007 levels, the Province has set a 2030 target to reduce transportation emissions by about a third. As part of the Roadmap to 2030, the province has set a target of 10,000 public EV charging stations by 2030.

The Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) as administered by the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM), funds the Village under the 2014-2024 Community Works Fund Agreement, to help communities build and revitalize their public infrastructure that supports national objectives of productivity and economic growth, a clean environment and strong cities and communities. An annual allocation, based on a formula, is granted to the Village in two equal installments. Eligible projects include investments in infrastructure for its construction, renewal, or material enhancement in community energy systems - infrastructure that generates or increases the efficient usage of energy.

The Village holds a reserve amount of \$195,766 for eligible projects at December 31, 2022, and is expected to receive additional funding of approximately \$65,000 in 2023. All Gas Tax Funding must be utilized by March 31, 2024.

The total grant funding available that could be utilized to fund an electric vehicle charging station (EVS) and surrounding infrastructure in 2023 is estimated as \$378,930.

Discussion

The popularity of EVS is growing in Canada. According to Statistics Canada, 86,032 electric vehicles are currently on the road, and new zero-emission vehicle registrations increased by 43.2 per cent year over year in the third quarter of 2022.

Different levels of charging: Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3, have different power levels ranging from 120V – 240V AC charging and 400V – 900V DC rapid charging, the higher the number the more powerful (and faster) the charging should be.

Most public and private chargers tend to be Level 2 chargers, which can take six to seven hours to charge a regular EV; they typically charge out at a dollar to \$2.50 an hour, as a revenue source (although some are also free). Level 3 chargers, also known as DC fast

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chargers, are the fastest and can charge an EV from empty to 80 per cent in 30 to 45 minutes. These typically charge about \$20 per hour. There are additional administrative costs associated with the ability to charge for recoverable expenses, like electricity.

Installing an EV charging station starts with a review by an electrician about service and panel requirements for dedicated EV service and leaving room for possible expansions. With the construction of the Anmore Community Hub, there is an opportunity to build EV charging station infrastructure and required ancillary infrastructure including pad, access, and parking infrastructure concurrently, reducing the costs overall.

Options

THAT staff be directed to allocate funding of up to \$_____ of the available \$118,164 from the Local Government Climate Action Program and \$_____ of the available \$260,766 from the Canada Community-Building Fund for an Electric Vehicle Charging Station and surrounding infrastructure at the Anmore Community Hub.

OR

THAT Council decline to authorize funding from the Local Government Climate Action Program and the Canada Community-Building Fund currently.

Financial Implications

The addition of an EVS and related infrastructure may be funded 100% with available grants, with no additional cost to the taxpayer.

Communications / Civic Engagement

Communication, announcements, and funding recognition on identified projects will be coordinated within government and grant provider processes.

Council Strategic Plan Objectives

We provide efficient services and strive for sustainable infrastructure to support a safe, healthy, and vibrant community.

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