## **Alternative Approval Process**

### Recreation Commission No. 10

The Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) will seek approval of the electors within a portion of Electoral Area E for a new Bylaw to increase the annual requisition limit to provide recreational programming to Recreation Commission No. 10 – Area E Service Area (Balfour, Harrop and Procter).

The Commission—known as Rec. 10—provides recreation programming that is valued by communities in the service area.

Approval for the new Bylaw will be sought through the Alternative Approval Process (AAP). This flyer provides additional information for electors.

#### **Funding and benefits**

Rec. 10 has minimal direct taxation (a total of only \$1,000 per year), with remaining funding coming from Community Development Grants from Area E. This funding provides RDCK Community Grants to local organizations to provide recreation programming and to support recreation facilities. Grants have supported local organizations in grant writing, created a weekly recreation calendar, and allowed the Commission to seek out new opportunities such as:

- sailing lessons;
- jackrabbit skiing;
- · senior's chair yoga; and
- community digital literacy.

These are just a few of the important programs developed over time. This funding also funds a part -time staff person, who works with local providers of recreation services to facilitate programs held in local facilities.

In 2022 a Community Development grant of up to \$30,916.40 as per the 2022 Financial Plan has been allocated to the service.

#### Sustainability for the future

The current funding model—through a Community Development Grant—is an unsustainable way to deliver the recreation service to the community. Community Development grants are not intended to be the primary source of funding for local services like Rec. 10.

Other recreation services at the RDCK are funded through taxation, which provides for greater transparency and long-term sustainability of the service. Other examples of this typical approach to regular taxation funding the local recreation service include Recreation Commission 9 and Recreation Commission 4.

#### **Potential rate impact**

The Bylaw if adopted will increase the maximum annual allowable requisition for Recreation Commission No. 10—Area E Service S279 from \$1,000 per year to the greater of \$62,264 or \$0.0757/\$1,000 of the assessed value of land and improvements per year.

The Bylaw No. 2819 will include the portion of Electoral Area E served by Recreation Commission No. 10 (Balfour, Harrop, and Proctor).



Year	Requisition	Residential Rate per	Taxation on a	Business Rate per	Taxation on a
2023	\$37,289	\$0.044	\$22.11	\$0.109	\$92.50
2024	\$38,235	\$0.045	\$22.68	\$0.112	\$94.84
2025	\$39,190	\$0.046	\$23.24	\$0.114	\$97.21

#### Requisition as per 2022-26 Financial Plan

The proposed increase to the maximum annual allowable requisition will allow the service to be funded in accordance with the Regional District 2022-26 Financial Plan (see table above).

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- The Alternative Approval Process is being used to obtain public approval for the Bylaw change.
- No response is required if you support the proposal.
- If electors in the service area are in opposition to the proposal, they can sign an elector response form and submit it to the RDCK.
- If at least 10% of the qualified electors sign the elector response form, the Regional District Board may not proceed with the Bylaw without the approval of electors.
- Response forms will be accepted until 4:30 pm on Monday, August 1, 2022.

# More information about Recreation Commission No. 10 is available at: <a href="https://www.rdck.ca/Rec10">www.rdck.ca/Rec10</a>

- List of grants for recreation programming awarded since 2019
- Service area map
- Copies of published notices
- Electoral eligibility
- Elector response forms

You may also contact the RDCK for this information in other formats. We encourage you to review information before making your decision.

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