



Legislation Text

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Request for Withdrawal from the Outside Agency Operating Reserve OA1 - Museum Historic Sites

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RECOMMENDATION(S)

That \$33,204 be withdrawn from the Outside Agency Operating Reserve, Museum Historic Sites Fund, to support the repainting of the 1929 Alberta Wheat Pool Elevator.

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To obtain authorization from Council to withdraw funds from the Outside Agency Operating Reserve, Museum Historic Sites Fund to be used to cover a portion of repainting the 1929 Alberta Wheat Pool Elevator.

The Financial Reserves Policy C-FS-01 indicates that Council approval is required to withdraw funds from the Outside Agency Operating Reserve.

ALIGNMENT TO PRIORITIES IN COUNCIL'S STRATEGIC PLAN

N/A

ALIGNMENT TO LEVELS OF SERVICE DELIVERY

A commitment to heritage assets is set out in the City of St. Albert Services and Service Levels Inventory:

Management of the Partnerships for the Delivery of Heritage Programming: Provision of grants, funding and other supports to deliver heritage services, programming in the community and the heritage conservation program.

Current Service Level:

- *Heritage Programming: A range of diverse and relevant heritage programming is provided to the community. This includes animation of heritage sites and locations around the community.*
- *Booking of and access to Heritage Sites.*

ALIGNMENT TO COUNCIL DIRECTION OR MANDATORY STATUTORY PROVISION

N/A

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The 1929 Alberta Wheat Pool Grain Elevator was designated as a Municipal Historic Resource in 2009 as per Bylaw 17/2009 (attached). The Alberta Wheat Pool Grain Elevator is owned by the City and operated by the Arts and Heritage Foundation (AHF) through a Partnership Agreement.

As per the Partnership Agreement, the AHF may request funds from the Museum Historic Sites Fund to assist in the restoration and or maintenance of the City's Municipal Historical Resources. The AHF is requesting \$33,204 from the City's Museum Historic Sites Reserve Fund to assist in repainting the 1929 Alberta Wheat Pool elevator, approximately 1/3 of the total cost. The total estimated cost to paint the grain elevator is \$106,238. The AHF has successfully secured \$73,034 to assist in this project.

The City has a reserve established to assist in the maintenance of its historic resources; the Museum Historic Sites Fund is one of four sub-categories of the Outside Agencies Reserve Fund.

The proposed budget is as follows:

Total Estimated Cost:	\$106,238
Alberta Historic Resources Foundation	\$ 39,830
Arts and Heritage Foundation Reserves	<u>\$ 33,204</u>

Balance required: \$ 33,204

Funds are requested from the Museum Historic Sites Fund

The 1929 Alberta Wheat Pool Elevator was last repainted as part of the restoration completed in 2011.

Balance in the Museum Historic Sites Fund as of May 31, 2019: \$112,992

A contribution of \$8,000 is made to this fund annually, as part of the annual operating budget.

STAKEHOLDER COMMUNICATIONS OR ENGAGEMENT

The City has a Partnership Agreement with the Arts and Heritage Foundation, as per the agreement, the AHF may request funds from the Museum Historic Sites Fund to assist in the restoration and or maintenance of the City's Municipal Historical Resources.

IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION(S)

Financial:

As of May 31, 2019, there was \$112,992 in the Museum Historic Sites Fund.

There are currently no commitments from this reserve; there are sufficient funds available to support the request for \$33,204 to assist in painting the 1929 Grain Elevator.

Copy of Financial Reserve Policy attached for reference.

Legal / Risk:

None at this time

Program or Service:

The Culture Master Plan identifies Space and Facilities as a primary area of focus:

- *Responsible planning, including maintenance and sustainable capital resources, can prevent a decline in St. Albert's high quality of cultural facilities, including its heritage sites.*

Organizational:

None at this time.

ALTERNATIVES AND IMPLICATIONS CONSIDERED

Alternative 1.

To not approve funding as requested from the Heritage Sites Reserve. This option would result in a delay in painting and may lead to exterior damage and escalated costs in the future.

Alternative 2.

To refer the matter back to Administration with direction from Council.

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