

Staff Report

Report Title: Point Clark Lighthouse Revitalization Research and Design

Prepared By: Amy Irwin, Business and Economic Officer

Department: Business and Economic Development

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Attachments: Blue Rhino Point Clark Lightkeeper and PCLM Revitalization Project – Phase 3 Quote.

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report Number BED-2022-10-45 prepared by Amy Irwin, Business and Economic Officer; AND approves the quote of Blue Rhino Designs for the Project Management Phase of the Point Clark Lighthouse Museum Revitalization Project in the amount of \$3,000 + HST AND the quote of Performance Solutions to fabricate the exhibits for the amount of up to \$148,570 + HST, AND FURTHER grants an exemption to the Purchasing Policy AND FURTHER authorizes the appropriate By-Law coming forward.

Background:

In June 2021, Council approved hiring Blue Rhino Designs to develop a plan for revitalizing the Point Clark Lighthouse Museum. At the November 1, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting, the Committee approved the Point Clark Lighthouse Museum Revitalization Plan and authorized staff to seek out funding opportunities to implement the Point Clark Lighthouse Museum Revitalization Plan. The Nuclear Waste Management Organization approved our request to fund the Research and Design Phase of the Point Clark Lighthouse Museum Revitalization Project for \$49,000 and this was approved at Council in January 2022. A Fundraising campaign was approved at the February 17, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting and is ongoing, to complete this project. We received an Ontario Trillium grant for \$117,100 for fabrication and installation of the exhibits and additional funding is being sourced through the fundraising campaign.

Discussion:

Pending funding, we would like to have this Revitalization Project completed in 2022. Therefore, it is crucial that we engage a fabricator for the exhibits as soon as possible. We recommend continuing to work with Blue Rhino Designs in a project management capacity and with Performance Solutions for fabrication and installation of exhibits, whom Blue Rhino has recommended. We would also like to install new vinyl plank flooring at the cost of \$6,000 and LED lighting at the cost of \$7500. We have requested Parks Canada to cover the cost of these capital upgrades. If these costs are not approved by Parks Canada, the funding will come out of our fundraising budget.

Financial Impacts:

The Ontario Trillium Foundation grant will cover \$116,000 of the fabrication and installation costs. The reminder of the proposed cost and the Project Management fee will come the fundraising campaign. Currently, we have raised \$42,388. Total funds available for this project through grants and fundraising is \$159,388, with ongoing efforts to increase funds. This leaves us with a shortfall of approximately \$30,000 which we will make up through fundraising and grant applications or reduce the optional displays in the fabrication quote (i.e. Frensnel Lens Interactive) to come in on budget with no impact to the tax base.

Strategic Alignment / Link:

The information provided in this report is consistent with and in keeping with the Municipality's Vision and Mission. The recommendations contribute to our goals in achieving a prosperous community, a vibrant community, and a spirited community.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Amy Irwin, Business and Economic Officer

Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer