



# COUNCIL QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Meeting date: January 10, 2022

**1. Were there any local proposals for the recent Website re-design RFP?**

Yes, there was one proposal from a local company.

**2. What is the duration of the current centrex system (landlines) contract?**

In 2020, under the terms of the prior Purchasing & Sales Policy, Council authorized Administration to waive the public bidding process and award Northwestel a three-year contract to end in March 2023.

**3. Can you provide life cycle information for the Tlingit building?**

The City's facility located at 139 Tlingit was constructed in 1981. As per the City's 2014 Building Consolidation Project consultant's report, the "Estimated Economic Lifespan" of the building at that time was 20 years (2034) with normal maintenance. This level of maintenance was kept up in that period. With the new upgrades proposed for that property, Administration notes the revised "Estimated Economic Lifespan" would be approximately 18 years (2040).

**4. What is the total amount of grant money available from the City?**

The City has a variety of grant and rebate programs. The City budgets \$774,840 for the items included in the *Umbrella Grant Bylaw* but if all City grants, rebates and in-kind donations were included the amount would exceed \$1.5M.

**5. Has the City set aside any specific grants pertaining to Indigenous peoples, or youth?**

**Youth Strategy Grants:**

Agreements are in place to provide annual funding to two youth focused organizations: Youth of Today Society and the Boys and Girls Club.

**Recreation Grants:**

Under this program, funding is available to any community organization that offers programs and initiatives that align with the City's strategic mandate for "recreation services". Youth and Indigenous community organizations are eligible to apply on this funding as are all other community organizations.



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## **Festivals & Special Event Grants:**

Under this program, funding and in-kind support is available to community groups and organizations for festivals and special community needs. Also notable is that Administration has made *Adaka* a “Signature Event” under the Festival and Special Event policy, meaning it qualifies for multi-year funding up to 5k per year.

## **6. How do our transportation crews time the application of sand on our roads?**

As per the snow and ice control policy, ice control is provided in accordance with the priorities described for snow ploughing and more specifically in accordance with the following sub-priorities:

- Intersections with traffic lights, roads and steep grades;
- Intersections, railway crossings, bridges and corners on Priority 1 roadways;
- Intersections and corners on Priority 2 roads;
- Intersections and corners within priority City-owned parking lots;
- Intersections and corners on Priority 3 roads;
- Parking lots and lanes as required providing for ice control and;
- Adjacent to water main breaks and other similar emergency areas.

All efforts are made to do sanding or other ice control measures in a timely way following snow ploughing as part of the overall program and all of the operational considerations.

## **7. Are residents allowed to use the shoulder of the road when clearing snow from their sidewalks?**

No, it is an offense to remove snow from your property and place it on the roadway, public property, or private property other than your own.