## TOWN OF BONNYVILLE REQUEST FOR DECISION

Date: August 21, 2024 Submitted By: Administration Meeting Date: August 27, 2024 SUBJECT: Policy No. 24-FN-099 – Sporting Event Attendance Funding Policy

**BACKGROUND:** At the August 20<sup>th</sup> Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting, draft Policy No. 24-FN-099, the Sporting Event Attendance Funding Policy was presented for comments and review. Recommendations from this meeting have been included in this draft of the Policy being presented this evening.

**OTHER COMMENTS:** This Policy has been created to streamline the funding requests that are being received. Funding under this program will provide individuals or organizations who have qualified for provincial, national or international competitions, help with the cost of the travel expenses. The funding levels range from \$200 to \$600 for individual requests and \$1,000 to \$2,000 for team requests. This funding is intended for youth 18 and under, seniors over 65 and special needs competitions. Annually, Council may set aside funding for this program and this funding will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Applications under this program are due throughout the year. The policy stipulates that all applications are directed to Administration who will approve funding up to the levels listed in the policy. Funding requests greater than the the parameters of the policy will be submitted to Council for consideration.

Policy No. 24-FN-099 includes an application form for both individuals and organizations and program guidelines. This policy would become effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

## **REPORT/DOCUMENT:** Attached Available NIL

- 1. Policy No. 24-FN-099 Sporting Event Attendance Funding Policy
- 2. Program Guidelines
- 3. Application Forms for Individuals and Organizations

**DESIRED OUTCOMES:** That Council approve Policy No. 24-FN-099 the Sporting Event Attendance Funding Policy.

## **OPTIONS:**

- 1. Approve Policy No. 24-FN-099.
- 2. Amend Policy No. 24-FN-099 and approve.
- 3. Do not approve Policy No. 24-FN-099

## **RELEVENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN:**



Communications Strategy



L Economic Growth



Recreation & Wellness



Service Excellence



U Value Added Services

**RECOMMENDATION: THAT Council approve Policy No. 24-FN-099** – Sporting Event Attendance Funding Policy.

**IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION:** If approved, Administration will ensure this policy is available to Individuals and Community Organizations in the fall for events taking place after of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

**FINANCIAL:** A budget amount for this policy based on requests from prior years will be included for Council consideration for the 2025 budget year.

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