COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CDR\# 2019003

Date: January 21, 2019

TO:<br>SUBMITTED BY: Bill Schurman, Director of Recreation<br>DATE: January 21, 2019<br>SUBJECT: Batting Cage

ORIGIN: Memo requesting a Batting Cage (attached)
LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY: MGA 65(ag)
RECOMMENDATION: With information on costs now provided, it is recommended that the request from the users of the Robb Complex as well as Little League Baseball to construct a batting cage at Robb Complex using Baseball Canada standards be referred to the Capital Budget process .

BACKGROUND: Request was received from the users of Robb Complex for the construction of a batting cage. Council directed the Recreation Department to research potential costs, accompanied by a recommendation.

DISCUSSION: Attached Memo.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Estimates indicate an investment of approximately $\$ 20,000$ would be required to meet Baseball Canada standards. While the budget process is in the draft stage, this cost if approved would need to be included in the 2019-20 budget allocations.

SOCIAL JUSTICE IMPLICATIONS: The batting cage would be available at no cost to any and all who choose to use the facility.

## ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS: N/A

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: There has been no community engagement by the Town. Based on the request from the user groups, while the Town has not been involved, it suggests there has been discussion among them.

ALTERNATIVES: 1. Council does not fund this request;
2. Council requires user groups to be funding partners;
3. Council allocates space for the user groups to fund the construction; or
4. Council tables the request for future year budget consideration.

ATTACHMENTS: Memo requesting batting cage

Report prepared by:
Report and Financial approved by:

