



REQUEST FOR DECISION

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TO: Mayor Kogon and Members of Amherst Town Council

SUBMITTED BY: Bill Schurman, Director of Recreation

DATE: February 4, 2019

SUBJECT: Mural Restoration/Repair- **Carry Over**

ORIGIN: 2018-19 Capital Budget

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY: MGA, Section 65 (ah) Power to expend money states: "The council may expend money required by the municipality for... public grounds, squares, halls, museums, parks, tourist information centres and community centres;"

RECOMMENDATION: That \$10,000 be carried forward from the 2018-19 capital budget to the 2019-20 budget for the mural restoration and repair.

BACKGROUND: The Recreation Department is seeking \$10,000 to be invested into the restoration and repair of the murals throughout the town. These murals depict the diverse culture and the history of Amherst by enhancing the streetscape through art. Mural restoration has been prioritized by current state and subject matter. The \$10,000 requested will go into the replacement of the Cumberland Craft Association 25th Anniversary mural currently located on the backside of the building at 141 Victoria St. Upon relocation of the North Nova Highlanders Mural to 98 Victoria St., the old mural at 10 Havelock St. will need to be covered and the cost for this is included in the said request of \$10,000.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: \$10,000 in the 2018-19 capital budget.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: A considerable amount of community engagement was undertaken in producing the Recreation Master Plan. Discussions with North Nova Highlanders Regimental Museum has yielded their support in the relocation of the North Nova Highlanders mural.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS: N/A

ALTERNATIVES: All or part of the \$10,000 that is requested.

ATTACHMENTS:





Cumberland Craft Association 25th Anniversary mural

Report prepared by: Bill Schurman, Director of Recreation

Report and Financial approved by: