

#### **REPORT TO COUNCIL 2025-043**

TO: Mayor Gerrits and Members of Council

FROM: Sabrina VanGerven, Treasurer

DATE: June 4, 2025

SUBJECT: Intermunicipal Agreement for Expansion and Rehabilitation of

the Grand Valley and District Community Centre (GVCC)

### Recommendation

That Council receives the report for information;

And That Council directs staff to provide comments to the Town of Grand Valley; And That, pending satisfactory review, Council authorizes staff to prepare a by-law for execution of the agreement at a future meeting.

## **Background**

The GVCC Board has identified and endorsed a scope of capital work including six new changerooms, washroom upgrades, roof and wall rehabilitation, new flooring, and office remodeling. The estimated total cost for the expansion and rehabilitation project is \$4,250,000. Initial funding of \$2,800,000 was made available through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) and municipal contributions, with approximately \$1,450,000 in funding remaining after the completion of the ice surface replacement in 2023.

The report shown as Appendix 2 was presented at the May 13, 2025 regular meeting of Grand Valley Council, and the following resolution was passed:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives Report – Agreement for Community Centre Expansion costs,

AND THAT Council approves the draft agreement as presented,

AND THAT Council directs the CAO to send the draft agreement to Amaranth and East Garafraxa Councils for their consideration, as recommended,

AND THAT Council directs staff to apply for a loan through Infrastructure Ontario for the project, while continuing efforts obtain alternate funding.

CARRIED

## **Analysis**

The remaining project costs (\$2.8M) are to be financed through a debenture from Infrastructure Ontario, with Grand Valley managing procurement, reporting, and repayment obligations on behalf of the Board.

Attached as Appendix 1 is the drafted intermunicipal agreement as presented and endorsed by the Town of Grand Valley.

Legal review is recommended before formal execution.

## Key Elements of the Draft Agreement

- Town of Grand Valley will secure and manage Infrastructure Ontario Loan.
- Repayment will be facilitated through GVCC Board levy, apportioned according to the operating agreement.
- Any additional funding from grants, sponsorships or naming rights will be used to reduce the debenture from Infrastructure Ontario.
- Should the Board dissolve or be restructured, any new operator will assume the debt servicing obligation.

#### Conclusion

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an overview and recommendation regarding the draft agreement for the funding and delivery of capital improvements at the GVCC, and to obtain direction on Amaranth's participation.

# Strategic Plan Pillar: Manage an Efficient and Effective Township Goal #5 Inter-governmental advocacy for Township needs

Respectfully Submitted, Sabrina VanGerven, Treasurer

Attachments	
Appendix 1	Draft Intermunicipal Agreement for the Expansion and Rehabilitation of Grand Valley Community Centre
Appendix 2	Grand Valley Staff Report 2025-080