



Claresholm

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Meeting: October 14, 2025

Bylaw 1815 Borrowing Bylaw Solar Project

DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND:

At the April 28, 2025, Council meeting, Council awarded the Arena Solar project to D-Com Energy Solutions in the amount of \$513,498. Following that motion, administration in coordination with D-Com completed a provincial grant application through the Municipal Climate Change Action Centre (MCCAC) Partnership Program, and the Town has since received confirmation that the grant application was successful.

Since awarding the project, D-Com Energy has completed a further review of the roof structure and has finalized the contract pricing for the project at \$473,575. The MCCAC grant will provide 30% of the total project cost, or \$142,073. As a first-time applicant, the Town is also eligible for an additional \$58,536 of funding. This reduces the Town's financial contribution to \$272,966.

On September 8, 2025, at the Council meeting, Council gave first reading to Bylaw#1815 to borrow funds in the amount of \$272,966 to complete the arena solar project.

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS:

The Town has advertised first reading of Bylaw #1815 and has fulfilled the advertising requirements per the MGA. At the time of this report, no petitions had been received. The petition period is 15 days following the last day of advertising which is October 9, 2025. Therefore, Council can now receive second and third reading of the borrowing bylaw for consideration.

The next loan application date deadlines for 2025 through the province are listed below. Should Council pass both second and third reading at this meeting, administration intends to submit the application on September 15th, in an effort to not further delay the project.

LOAN ISSUE DATE	APPLICATION DEADLINE
October 30, 2025	September 15, 2025
November 28, 2025	October 15, 2025
December 30, 2025	November 10, 2025

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS:

Move by Councillor _____ to give second reading of Bylaw #1815 Arena Solar Project Borrowing Bylaw.

Move by Councillor _____ to give third reading of Bylaw #1815 Arena Solar Project Borrowing Bylaw.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1.) Borrowing Timeline
- 2.) Bylaw #1815 Arena Solar Project Borrowing Bylaw

APPLICABLE LEGISLATION:

- 1.) Municipal Government Act Section 258

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DATE: October 8, 2025
