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Good morning Mayor and Council,

We received a question regarding the recommended grant to the Youth Climate Corp grant recommendation. Brad Badelt, Director of Sustainability in PDS, pulled together the following information:

Youth Climate Corp was one of six proposals selected this year for a GC Grant. The selection was based on a set of criteria we've used for a few years now (impact, scalability, community engagement, etc.) that we apply to all proposals. Climate Corps proposal scored highly for a few reasons: it's engaging and employing youth; it's focused on supporting residents to participate in building retrofits and active transportation (two big areas for GHG reductions); they've partnered with other organizations including HUB and Vancouver-Hastings Climate Action Team to deliver the work; and the proposal is highly leveraged with other grantors. For those reasons, we're recommending a \$50K for Youth Climate Corp.

For a bit more context, Youth Climate Corp are one of three proposals selected this year that focus on raising awareness and engaging Vancouverites on climate action. This is in direct responses to data that shows Vancouverites are concerned about climate change but have a limited understanding of the local sources of GHG emissions or actions that can reduce those emissions. We had a similar focus last year, but with different proposals selected.

In terms of funding, YCC has already received \$20K from 128 Collective, \$27K from Houssain Foundation, \$20K from the McLean Foundation and \$10K from the Vancouver Hastings Climate Action Team. They have also applied for \$50K from Vancity and ~\$200K in various federal grants. Staff would assume that should the City funding not be approved, that YYC would either need to descope the project or reallocate funding from other areas of work. However, staff would need to check with the organization to confirm.

Brad will be in Chambers this morning should you have further questions.

Thank you,

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