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Borrowing Bylaws Receive Elector Approval

Maple Ridge, BC: On Monday, February 19, at 4:00 pm, the Alternative Approval Process (AAP) deadline passed. The Corporate Officer for the City of Maple Ridge has done a count of the signatures on the Elector Response Forms. None of the borrowing bylaws associated with the eight proposed community facility projects received enough signatures to meet the minimum threshold of 10% (5,828) of eligible electors. This means they are considered to have 'Elector Approval' under section 86 of the *Community Charter*.

In the interest of timeliness and transparency the results of the number of signatures received for each project included in the AAP is listed below. This is an accurate count of the signatures received, which has been confirmed in a multi-count process. The City has not yet reviewed the signatures against the eligibility requirements or checked for duplicates, and for this reason the results are defined as 'unverified.'

The number of signatures (unverified) was:

- 1) Maple Ridge Leisure Centre Renovation: 1,069
- 2) Telosky Stadium Synthetic Fields: 1,270
- 3) Albion Community Centre: 1,331
- 4) Silver Valley Neighbourhood Gathering Places: 1,508
- 5) Hammond Community Centre Renovation: 1,254
- 6) Whonnock lake Canoe and Kayak Facility Improvement: 1,320
- 7) Maple Ridge Secondary School Track Facility Upgrades: 1,244
- 8) Ice Sheet Addition: 1,501

Council will be provided with a report on the AAP process in the coming weeks. Each of the projects that were part of the AAP will come back to Council, separately, as the necessary background work on each project is completed.

For more information on the Alternative Approval Process please contact Laura Benson, Corporate Officer, by email at lbenson@mapleridge.ca or by phone at 604-463-5221.