



City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor Canfield & Members of Council

From: Colleen Neil, Recreation Services Manager

Re: Industry Canada's funding cut to Community Access

Program Sustainability Program

Recommendation

That Council pass a resolution supporting the request from the Kenora Public Library Board calling for Industry Canada to re-instare Community Access Program Sustainablity Funding; and further

That a copy of the resolution be forwarded to Honourable Christian Paradis, Minister of Industry and Greg Rickford, MP-Kenora, all libraries in Northwestern Ontario and the Ontario Library Association requesting that they endorse this resolution.

Background:

Council for the City of Kenora received correspondence from the Chair of the Kenora Public Library informing council that a grant that the local library has been recieiving for many years from Industry Canada under the Community Access Program has been cut. A copy of that request has been attached for your information.

The Kenora Pulbic Library Board is asking for the City's support in calling for Industry Canada to re-instate the grant in order to continue to service the computer access needs of the local community.

Budget: Future operating budget implications for the Kenora Public Libarary of \$3,757.00 for computer upgrades and maintenance.

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:

Resolution required. Cc: Library Board