

To: Mayor Creasey  
Cc: Council  
From: Matthew Goudy, CAO  
Date: November 28, 2019

## RE: School Bus Christmas Light Decoration Funding

Thank you for forwarding the request you received from Craig Fullarton, Assistant Principal of Ecole James S. McCormick on behalf of Warren Kreway, a school bus driver for Wolf Creek School Division. For a number of years, Mr. Kreway has volunteered to decorate and drive a school bus in the Santa Claus Parade during the "Light up the Night" celebration in Lacombe in November, a signature major event featuring the City and its heritage downtown at Christmastime.

Mr. Fullarton reports that this year, the lights used to decorate the school bus finally gave in, and Mr. Kreway was in need of up to 1,000 LED stringed bulbs for the bus and looking for financial support to do this. We are happy to report that the City is able to donate 14 used light strings (70 bulbs each) that staff removed from the trees at the Lacombe Memorial Centre grounds, as the replacement. These lights have been tested, certified usable and put into storage, although they are relatively old, and require significantly more power than more modern lights; and Mr. Fullarton confirms these will fulfill Mr. Kreway's needs well.

Considering Council Strategic Plan goals identifying assistance to volunteers as a high priority, I trust that this donation is amenable to Council and we have therefore offered it. Please let me know if you would like to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,



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