



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

From: Sue Warrington, Arena Division Manager

Meeting Date: Tuesday, September 18, 2018

Subject: Report APRAC18-017
Arena Ice Allocation Policy Update

Purpose

A presentation to provide an update on the development of a Corporate Ice Allocation Policy.

Recommendation

That the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report APRAC18-017, dated September 18, 2018, of the Arena Division Manager, as follows:

That a presentation by the Arena Division Manager providing an update on the creation of a Corporate Arena Ice Allocation Policy be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

There is no budget or financial implication resulting from the approval of the recommendation of Report APRAC18-017.

Background

An Arena Ice Allocation Policy will set out the framework for the City of Peterborough to provide for the equitable, reasonable and fair distribution of prime time ice to all user groups in the community. This policy is being developed to respond to current demand, projected growth, changing utilization patterns, shifting demographics, market supply and the successful management of the City's inventory of ice, optimizing facility utilization.

Research material obtained from Ice Allocation Policies of twenty-five municipalities and an outline including best practices was reviewed, edited and adapted to be incorporated into the proposed City of Peterborough Ice Allocation Policy (The Policy). A collaborative approach is being used to develop The Policy, based on community needs. The process involves staff working directly with the three main minor hockey organizations, which are the Peterborough Hockey Association (PHA), Peterborough Girls Hockey Association (PGHA) and Peterborough Minor Hockey Council (PMHC). Youth minor ice sports represent an average of 89% of the prime-time ice usage for the Community Arenas (Evinrude Centre, Kinsmen Arena and Northcrest Arena). Components of the proposed Policy will be adapted into the associated Ice Allocation Procedures.

Once developed, staff will review the Policy and Procedures on an annual basis, making appropriate edits and developing additional procedures as required.

Next steps in this project include staff working through the ice allocations for the 2018/19 fall-winter season, and continuing to standardize procedures directly with the user groups throughout the preparation and scheduling process. Staff will continue to review the ice allocation procedures of other municipalities, to ensure Peterborough's policy and procedures are reflective of the industry's best practices. Staff will hold a comprehensive user group session in the fall of 2018. At this session, Staff will provide an update on the components that will make up the Policy, and the procedures being followed to date. This will provide opportunity to receive feedback from the user groups. The Policy will be further refined as the document is finalized for presentation to the General Committee in the first quarter of 2019.

Summary

An Ice Allocation Policy approved by Council will set out the framework required for the City of Peterborough to provide for the equitable, reasonable and fair distribution of prime time ice to all user groups in the community.

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