



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

From: Rob Anderson, Recreation Division Coordinator

Meeting Date: October 2, 2018

Subject: Report APRAC18-021
Parks Review and Planning Project – Consultant Presentation

Purpose

A report to provide an update on the City's Parks Review and Planning Project, through a presentation by the project consultants, Brian Basterfield, from Basterfield & Associates and Robert Lockhart, from The Rethink Group.

Recommendation

That the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report APRAC18-021 dated October 2, 2018, of the Recreation Division Coordinator, as follows:

That a presentation by Basterfield & Associates and The Rethink Group on the Parks Review and Planning Project be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

There is no budget or financial implication resulting from the approval of the recommendation of Report APRAC18-021.

Background

Through Vision 2025, a Ten Year Strategy for Recreation, Parks, Arenas and Culture, a need was identified to conduct a comprehensive review of the City's parks and open space, and to establish a parks planning process.

In the 2018 Capital Budget, Council approved funding for the Parks Review and Planning Project (Budget Reference 6-1.07). The review will provide a mechanism for:

- The development of park design guidelines;
- Establishing criteria for prioritizing neighbourhood park rejuvenation and identifying the highest priority for initial investment;
- Identifying residential areas experiencing gaps in neighbourhood park access and strategies to address those gaps; and
- Establishing criteria to evaluate City-owned open space and to determine which sites may be appropriate to be classified as parkland.

As per the City's Purchasing By-Law 14-127, a Request for Proposal (RFP# P-17-18) was issued to secure a consultant to conduct the work, with a closing date of May 31, 2018. The Administrative Staff Committee awarded the RFP to Basterfield & Associates, in association with The Rethink Group, as per the recommendation of Report CSRS18-10, dated June 27, 2018.

Staff has invited Brian Basterfield, from Basterfield & Associates and Robert Lockhart from The Rethink Group to make their initial presentation on the project to the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, at its meeting of October 2, 2018.

Submitted by,

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