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**Peterborough**

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**To:** **Members of the General Committee**

**From:** **Allan Seabrooke, Commissioner of Community Services**

**Meeting Date:** **December 3, 2018**

**Subject:** **Report CSD18-012**  
**New Arena and Aquatics Complex Financial Status Update**  
**Report**

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## **Purpose**

A report to provide a financial status update on the New Arena and Aquatics Complex Development.

## **Recommendations**

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report CSD18-012 dated December 3, 2018, of the Commissioner of Community Services, as follows:

- a) That the New Arena and Aquatics Centre project be deferred to 2020, pending approvals of provincial and federal government funding.
- b) That Debenture By-law No.15-187 be repealed.

## **Budget and Financial Implications**

The total pre-2019 budget requirement is \$3.5 million to fund the design, consultation, approvals and tender documents to have the project shovel ready. Because of the uncertainty around the provincial / federal funding and the project moving forward, the \$3.5 million is funded through non-debt sources.

Through the 2018 Budget \$24,260,000 was approved, of which \$13,817,400 was projected to be provincial and federal funding and Community Sponsorships. Of the remaining \$10,442,600 budget, \$8,742,600 was to be debt financed.

Through the Purchasing By-law 14-127, Delegated Authority Section 10.1.2, the CAO approved the release of \$8,742,600 debt financing. This was to enable the funds to be used in the 2019 Capital Budget for other projects.

## **Background**

Council has approved a series of Staff reports for the continuing development of a new arena complex to replace Northcrest Arena. Council approved a site provided by Trent University to the City for this project in Report CSD15-019 dated June 29, 2015 of approximately 24 acres at Nassau Mills and Pioneer Road.

Council, in consideration of Report CSD15-021 dated October 13, 2015, approved the schematic design features for this project adding a recommendation that the pool be included in the schematic design of the arena complex. This report also approved the commencement of an environmental impact study.

A Council resolution on December 7, 2015 was followed by an Administrative Staff Committee Report CSD16-002 dated January 6, 2016 to award the Prime Consultant, Perkins + Wills, Phase I design development.

Council, in consideration of Report CSD16-028 dated December 5, 2016, approved the development of the project into Phase II detailed design.

Council approved Report PLPD17-051 dated October 30, 2017 for the site plan approval of the project. This approval was subject to several conditions which are in the process of being met or have been met.

ORCA issued a permit dated April 17, 2018 for the site. As a condition of that permit ORCA requested a report outlining the pre-construction baseline monitoring plan and a final report for the Wetland Compensation Area Monitoring and Management Plan. Both reports have been submitted.

## **Current Project Status**

The project is essentially 'shovel ready' awaiting appropriate levels of funding to become available in order to proceed with construction.

In April 2018 the Provincial Government announced \$18 Million of funding for the project; this funding has since been withdrawn. The current Provincial Government has

encouraged the City to pursue grant opportunities as funding becomes available. The Federal Government has confirmed that a bi-lateral agreement between governments remains in place for funding of recreational projects. Without a firm commitment of funding the \$59 million project has been deferred to 2020 in the 2019 capital budget.

### **Capital Project Budget Update**

\$24,260,000 was approved through the 2018 Budget, of which \$13,817,400 was projected to be provincial and federal funding and Community Sponsorships. Of the remaining \$10,442,600 budget, \$8,742,600 was to be debt financed.

Through the Purchasing By-law 14-127, Delegated Authority Section 10.1.2, the CAO approved the release of approved debt financing from the New Arena / Pool Facility project and the restructuring of the remaining funding sources. This was driven by the loss of \$18 Million of provincial funding, the resulting deferral of construction to 2020 in hopes of securing future provincial / federal grants and the 2019 capital budget funding requirements. The total pre-2019 budget requirement is \$3.5 million to fund the design, consultation, approvals and tender documents to have the project shovel ready. Because of the uncertainty around the provincial / federal funding and the project moving forward, the \$3.5 million is now funded through non-debt sources.

To fund the \$3,500,000 budget requirement, there remained \$1,700,000 in approved funding in the project with the following funding sources:

\$808,100 DC - Recreation  
\$891,900 Capital Levy

The CAO approved the remaining \$1,800,000 be funded as follows:

\$300,000 User fees (Arena capital surcharge)  
\$943,300 DC - Recreation  
\$556,700 Capital Levy Reserve

Appendix A - New Arena Facility - 2018 Revised Form 2 details the above recommendations and the revised pre-2019 budget.

## **Summary**

The detailed design development and Class A costing analysis is now completed for the new Arena and Aquatic Complex. Site Plan Approval has been granted with the conditions of the approval currently being met. An ORCA permit has been issued. In essence the project is now shovel ready. Staff will continue to correspond with upper tier levels of government for confirmation of grant funding.

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Appendix A –New Arena Facility - 2018 Revised Form 2