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**Peterborough**

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**To:** Members of the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

**From:** Rob McAulay, Director, Recreation Services

**Meeting Date:** August 31, 2023

**Subject:** Update on the Parks and Outdoor Recreation Facilities Study Report APRAC23-016

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## **Purpose**

To provide a presentation to the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee to update on the Parks and Outdoor Recreation Facilities Study.

## **Recommendation**

That the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report APRAC23-016, dated August 31, 2023, of the Director, Recreation Services, as follows:

That a presentation by the Director, Recreation Services providing an update on the Parks and Outdoor Recreation Facilities Study be received for information.

## **Budget and Financial Implications**

There are no budget or financial implications associated with the presentation.

## **Background**

In 2019 the City completed a Parks and Open Spaces Assessment which provided a summary document of the current conditions of parks within the City, with

recommendations to address park deficiencies through annual capital budget planning. With the onset of the Pandemic and an increase in demand for parks, open spaces and outdoor recreation options, the recreation division identified several sport and facility needs that were requested by the community.

Starting in Fall of 2022, the city began to seek input from the community to assist in the creation of a long-term strategy for the provision of selected types of outdoor recreation facilities. This community input builds upon the work completed in the 2019 Park and Open Spaces Study.

Twenty-two different types of outdoor recreation facilities were combined into twelve facility provision strategies. Each strategy will provide an assessment of existing facilities and outline a strategy to meet current and future demand. Each strategy will include recommended planning objectives to improve, develop, and expand on the current outdoor recreation facilities that exist within the City of Peterborough.

Community engagement included sport user groups, sport facility partners, individuals with interests in specific sport offerings, and consultant reports focused on best practices, demand, and anticipated growth of activities.

## Summary

The presentation will provide an overview of the Parks and Outdoor Recreation Facilities Study.

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