



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of the General Committee

From: Sheldon Laidman, Commissioner, Community Services

Meeting Date: October 7, 2024

Report: Joint Use Agreement with the Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic District School Board, Report CSRS24-010

Subject

A report to recommend the continued sharing of field access between the City and Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic District School Board (the Board).

Recommendation

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report CSRS24-010 dated October 7, 2024 of the Commissioner, Community Services as follows:

That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign a Joint field use agreement between the City of Peterborough and Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington District School Board as outlined in Report CSR24-010 dated October 7, 2024 of the Commissioner, Community Services, on terms satisfactory to the said Commissioner and in forms acceptable to the City Solicitor.

Executive Summary

- The City of Peterborough has had a joint-field use agreement with the school board since 2006.
- The updates to the joint field use agreement include language related to the Holy Cross Artificial Turf field. This included replacing definitions that cover municipal

and school board fields and courts, removing the need for updated schedules on an annual basis.

- The new agreement includes language around the review of agreement terms at a minimum of every five (5) years, with a maximum renewal period of 25 years.
- Adjustments were made to include school specific programming such as football on the artificial field, and adjustment of seasonal start dates.

Background

The City of Peterborough and the Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic District School Board entered into a joint-field use agreement in 2006. That agreement makes certain use of sport fields owned by each party available for the permitting of various sport organizations.

The City has been responsible for the scheduling of community user groups on school board owned fields and courts since the implementation of the agreement in 2006. Community access to these facilities include over 40 sport user groups. This arrangement has been beneficial to the City and community groups to ensure additional sports fields are available for public use and to ensure the City can coordinate usage for all community groups across all sports fields in the City.

Strategic Plan

Strategic Pillar: Community & Well-being

Strategic Initiative: Foster community resiliency, neighbourhood identity, civic pride, sense of belonging, and intercultural harmony. Enhance and protect the health, safety, and wellbeing of all in our City. Provide robust, affordable, and accessible sport, recreation, wellness, and social programs for people of all ages and abilities.

Engagement and Consultation

Staff from the school board as well as the City's Recreation and Parks Services Division and Legal Services have completed a review of the agreement and have completed updates outlined in the executive summary.

Budget and Financial Implications

The recommendations in this report have no anticipated impact on the annual municipal operating budget and recommendations are drafted to maximize the ability for the

school board and City to provide permits to sport user groups. Other development agreements with the Board allow for cost recovery and the City retains all or a portion of these fees based upon these individual agreements.

Submitted by,

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