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**Peterborough**

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

**FROM:** Rob Anderson, Recreation Coordinator

**MEETING DATE:** November 17, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Report APRAC09-004  
Promising Practices in Parks and Recreation

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## **PURPOSE**

A report to inform the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee of the Promising Practices in Parks and Recreation - Final Report document.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report APRAC09-004 dated November 17, 2009, of the Recreation Coordinator as follows:

That the report Promising Practices in Parks and Recreation – Final Report from Parks and Recreation Ontario be received for information.

## **BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no budget or financial implications as a result of approving the recommendation in report APRAC09-004.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Promising Practices in Parks and Recreation document was prepared in 2009 by Parks & Recreation Ontario in association with the Ontario Parks Association and the Ontario Recreation Facilities Association. The objective of the report is to provide opportunity for municipal managers to enhance performance and accountability through shared ideas and successes. Findings of the report may assist in the development of long-term strategies to assess/improve performance and improve understanding of the current state of the parks and recreation sector. The term “Promising Practices” is used rather than “Best Practices” as the project facilitators were unable to verify that the practices identified in the document are actually the “best”.

Identifying and sharing promising practices that address fiscal constraints and maximizing the benefits of municipal investment are of great interest to municipal managers in the parks and recreation sector.

The final report is attached for review, as “Appendix A”.

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Attachments:

Appendix A - Promising Practices in Parks and Recreation – Final Report