



City of
Peterborough

TO: Members of Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

FROM: Sue Warrington, Arena Division Manager

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, September 17, 2013

SUBJECT: Report APRAC13-029
Update Presentation on the Arena Needs Assessment Project

PURPOSE

A report to introduce an update presentation on the Arena Needs Assessment Project by Robert Lockhart, Rethink Group.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (APRAC) approve the recommendation outlined in Report APRAC13-029, dated September 17, 2013, of the Arena Division Manager, as follows:

That the update presentation by Robert Lockhart, Rethink Group, on the Arena Needs Assessment Project be received for information and feedback.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no budget or financial implications resulting from the approval of the recommendation of Report APRAC13-029.

BACKGROUND

Further to the introduction of the project to the Arena, Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee by Report APRAC13-021 dated June 18, 2013, this report introduces an update presentation from the Project Consultant, Robert Lockhart from Rethink Group.

The City embarked upon a study of arena facilities, with the objective of assessing the use and functionality of existing facilities and determining the current and future need for arena facilities. The project was launched in the spring with the first Community Forum taking place on June 19. Information continues to be gathered as this study comes to a close in the coming weeks.

The results of this project will include a determination of the number of ice surfaces required to meet current ice and non-ice needs, establishing a preferred provision level for the City; projecting the number of ice surfaces required to meet future needs based on projected population growth, change and leisure trends; and recommendations regarding the characteristics of new facilities, improvements to existing arenas, possible facility configurations and site requirements.

Following the completion of the Arena Needs Assessment, the next phase of the project will be the Feasibility Study. This study will build off the findings of the Arena Needs Assessment, providing an arena provision strategy that offers recommendations for future development, service levels, capital and operating implications, potential sources of funding, partnership direction and an implementation plan including a schedule for development and identification of preliminary steps to implement the arena provision strategy.

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