

# Recreation Master Plan Advisory Committee

## Minutes

**Wednesday, January 26, 2022**

**Electronic Meeting at 5:00pm**

### **Attendance:**

Jim Richardson, Chair  
Bill Fenwick, Vice-Chair  
Trish O'Neill  
Cathy Hesch  
Tim Dowd  
Shannon Sullivan  
Mike Deinhart

### **Guests:**

Councillor Bill Phillips

### **Staff Liaison:**

Phil Cristi, Director of Community, Recreation and Culture Services  
Lori Mambella, Manager of Programs and Culture Services  
Eric Lamothe, Manager of Strategic and Business Services  
Katya Voronina, Community Strategy and Policy Coordinator

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#### **1. Call meeting to order (Chair)**

Jim Richardson called the meeting to order at 5:02pm.

#### **2. Recognition of Traditional Territories**

Jim Richardson acknowledged that the land on which the Recreation Master Plan Advisory Committee meets today is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe peoples, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the land protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement. Today this gathering place is home to many First Nations, Metis, and Inuit Peoples. Acknowledging this is a reminder that our great standard of living is directly related to the resources and friendship of Indigenous people.

3. **Amendments to the Agenda**

There were none.

4. **Motion to approve the agenda**

**Moved by:** Jim Richardson

That the agenda for the January 26, 2022 meeting of the Recreation Master Plan Advisory Committee be approved.

**CARRIED**

5. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting**

**Moved by:** Tim Dowd

That the Recreation Master Plan Advisory Committee approve the minutes of the committee for the meeting held on November 2, 2021.

**CARRIED**

6. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous Recreation Facilities Allocation Sub-Committee meeting**

None to approve.

7. **Declarations of Interest**

None were declared.

8. **Business**

**8.1 Covid-19 Update**

Phil Cristi provided the committee with a COVID-19 update.

City facilities are re-opening January 31, 2022, with 50% capacity limits. Proof of vaccination status must be provided using a QR code, and masks must be worn.

**8.2 2022 Work Plan Approval**

Eric Lamothe provided the committee with an update on the Work Plan noting that all committee feedback was implemented into the draft Work Plan.

**Moved by:** Tim Dowd

That the Recreation Master Plan Advisory Committee approved the 2022 Work Plan.

**CARRIED**

### **8.3 Recreation Facilities Allocation Policy**

Lori Mambella provided the committee with an update on the Recreation Facilities Allocation Policy Sub-Committee. The Recreation Facilities Allocation Policy Sub-Committee has met 11 times to date and have completed the development of a draft policy.

Bill Fenwick, Chair of the Recreation Facilities Allocation Policy Sub-Committee noted that the committee will meet again in February.

### **8.4 Fairview Park Labyrinth & Community Visioning Update**

Eric Lamothe provided the committee with an update on the Fairview Park Labyrinth & Community Visioning.

### **8.5 Community Outdoor Ice Rinks Update**

Katya provided the committee with an update on Community Outdoor Ice Rinks. There are currently 4 ice rinks across St. Catharines and there has been strong community support for the program as seen across social media and in local news.

### **8.6 Canada Summer Games Update**

Bill Fenwick provided the committee with an update on the Canada Summer Games.

In January the venue operation manual was discussed. Venue team meetings continue to take place every 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> week of each month.

Canada Games Park received substantial completion on January 24, 2022. Staff will be moving into the facility in early February with a public opening date still to be determined.

Phil Cristi to organize a tour of the Canada Games Park for the committee.

### **8.7 Review of Proposed Rzone Amendment from Anti-Racism Advisory Committee – To Be Deferred to future meeting**

Referred from June 1, 2021 meeting.

## **9. Date of next meeting**

February 23, 2022

March 23, 2022

**April 20, 2022**

**May 18, 2022**

June 22, 2022

July 27, 2022

August 24, 2022

September 28, 2022

October 26, 2022

November 23, 2022

All Meetings times scheduled for 5:00pm to 7:00pm

**10. Motion to Adjourn**

**Moved by: Shannon Sullivan**

That the Recreation Master Plan Advisory Committee meeting be adjourned at 6:02pm.

**CARRIED**