



Motion Memorandum

SUBJECT: Skyway Community Centre Project

TO: Mayor and Members of Council

FROM: Councillor Paul Sharman, Ward 5

Date to Committee: N/A

Date to Council: November 23, 2021

Motion for Council to Consider:

Whereas the redevelopment of the Skyway Arena as the community centre for south east Burlington was identified 2015, as a need in the Parks & Recreation Arena Facilities Review; and

Whereas the new Skyway Community Centre helps address a number of strategic priorities identified in the Vision 2040, Burlington's Strategic Plan 2015-2040; and

Whereas the designs for the new Skyway Community Centre align with both the City of Burlington's Climate Emergency Declaration and our Corporate Energy and Emissions Management Plan; and

Whereas the following features of the new design will bring the City closer to achieving Council's approved target to be carbon neutral in our City Operations by 2040: a geothermal system as well as recovered heat from the refrigeration plant, which avoids the use of natural gas and reduces the greenhouse gases, a zero-emission electric ice resurfacer will be used, planned warm and cold areas to minimize energy consumption; and

Whereas the new Skyway Community Centre will provide inclusive, year-round programming for residents of all ages; and

Whereas the new facility will exceed the Ontario Building Code and Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities requirements through the provision of universal washrooms equipped with lift and adult change table, ramps, hearing loops in program rooms, accessible customer service, recharging stations for scooters and accessible dressing rooms, accessible shade structures and site furnishings in the naturalized playground and an 85'x200' ice surface designed to accommodate sledge hockey and other accessible sports; and

Whereas parking and pedestrian pathways through the park will facilitate connections to the surrounding neighbourhood; and

Whereas the Skyway Community Centre project is at the building permit stage. Once a building permit has been issued construction must commence within six months; and

Whereas Burlington City Council directed the Mayor and City Manager to continue to pursue, and advocate for funding from the Federal and Provincial levels of Government; and

Whereas the City of Burlington submitted a funding application to the Government of Canada's Green and Inclusive Community Buildings funding program; and

Whereas projects that can start sooner will be scored higher in the application review process;

Therefore be it resolved that Burlington City Council declares the Skyway Community Centre as the City's top infrastructure project for senior government funding; and

That the Mayor and City Manager continue their advocacy efforts with the Federal Government; and

That a copy of this resolution be sent to The Honourable Karina Gould, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development, The Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities, and The Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Pam Damoff, MP Oakville North- Burlington and Adam van Koeverden, MP Milton, and local members of Provincial Parliament.

Outcome Sought:

Approval of the City of Burlington's funding application to the Canada Green and Inclusive Community Buildings

Vision to Focus Alignment:

(check those that apply)

- ☐ Increase economic prosperity and community responsive city growth
- ☐ Improve integrated city mobility
- ☒ Support sustainable infrastructure and a resilient environment
- ☒ Building more citizen engagement, community health and culture
- ☐ Deliver customer centric services with a focus on efficiency and technology transformation

Motion Seconded by: Mayor Marianne Meed Ward
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Approved as per form by the City Clerk,

Reviewed by the City Manager - In accordance with the Code of Good Governance,
Council-Staff Relations Policy and an assessment of the internal capacity within the City
to complete the work based on a specific target date (quarter/year).

Comments:

City Clerk: Approved as per Form

City Manager: Approved