

## SUBJECT: Update on LaSalle Park Community Marina

TO: Mayor and Members of Council

# FROM: Recreation, Community and Culture

Report Number: RCC-10-22 Wards Affected: all File Numbers: 945-02 Date to Committee: May 17, 2022 Date to Council: May 17, 2022

#### **Recommendation:**

Receive and file recreation, community and culture report RCC-10-22 update on LaSalle Park Community Marina.

# **PURPOSE:**

## **Vision to Focus Alignment:**

- Support sustainable infrastructure and a resilient environment
- Building more citizen engagement, community health and culture

## **Background and Discussion:**

At the Environment, Infrastructure and Community Service Committee meeting on May 5, 2022, report RCC-09-22 Update on Marina Operations advised members of Council that the LaSalle Park Marina Association was unable to secure insurance for the upcoming boating season and outlined potential options for operating the LaSalle Park Community Marina for 2022.

Staff received the following direction:

Direct the City Manager and Director of Recreation, Community and Culture to undertake the necessary due diligence to identify and fully address the financial, legal, human resource and operating risk exposures to the City in order to operate the LaSalle Park Community Marina on an interim basis for the 2022 season based on a target date for opening of no later than June 15<sup>th</sup>; AND THAT

In completing the due diligence, City staff do so with regard to the following principles and requirements:

- 1. The interim Marina operation must be a net zero incremental cost to the taxpayers of Burlington inclusive of city reserve funds
- The City maintains the ability to seek expressions of interest/proposal and/or investigate other options for the operation of Marina in 2022 and in the future in keeping with our Council approved Framework for Recreation which gives preference to a community partnership based operating model for recreation service delivery in Burlington
- 3. Formal written confirmation of insurance coverage for the interim Marina operation be received by the City's insurer
- 4. The City can secure fully qualified Marina operations staff (i.e. certified Harbour Master) in keeping with all Federal and other regulatory requirements for the interim operation of a Recreational Marina
- 5. The LaSalle Park Marina Association must continue to meet all its financial obligations to the City
- 6. The LaSalle Park Marina Association and the Burlington Sailing and Boating Club must work cooperatively with the City in relation to but not limited to amending agreements, the City securing equipment required to operate and maintain the Marina, lift-in and lift-out of boats and transitioning all administrative and financial aspects of the operation; AND

Direct the Executive Director of Legal Services to preserve all City legal rights contained in its approved license agreement with the LaSalle Park Marina Association

Direct the Director of Recreation, Community and Culture to report back to City Council on May 17, 2022 and the June 9, 2022 Environment, Infrastructure and Community Services Committee meeting to provide updates and current information regarding the LaSalle Park Marina including potential risks.

Staff are continuing to undertake the required due diligence as outlined in the staff direction and will provide a verbal update at Council.

# **Financial Matters:**

Staff are currently reviewing LPMA's operating budget and will be able to provide an update at Council.

#### **Other Resource Impacts**

A staff working team has been established to investigate all related matters. This will require a significant amount of staff time and may impact other priorities.

## **Climate Implications**

Staff will ensure that procedures related to the environment are in place such as a spill protocol.

## **Engagement Matters:**

Staff will meet with both LPMA and BS&BC to get a better understanding of the Marina operation and address the items in the staff direction.

## **Conclusion:**

The staff team will continue to discuss this situation, meet with LPMA and BS&BC and will provide a verbal update at the Council meeting on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **Report Approval:**

All reports are reviewed and/or approved by Department Director, the Chief Financial Officer and the Executive Director of Legal Services & Corporation Counsel.