



## Baseball Needs Assessment

<b>Date</b>	July 13, 2022
<b>To</b>	Mayor Masters and City Councillors
<b>From</b>	Executive Committee
<b>Service Area</b>	Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
<b>Item #</b>	CR22-82

### RECOMMENDATION

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That City Council:

1. Request that the Multi-Purpose Outdoor Stadium Committee (MPOSC), under the leadership of Regina Exhibition Association Limited (REAL), conduct a feasibility study on a new multi-purpose, mixed use, synthetic turf outdoor facility that could meet the primary needs of recreational user groups and compliment the needs of high-performance baseball;
2. Approve funding of up to \$15,000, payable to REAL, for the City's share of the feasibility study;
3. Delegate authority to Executive Director City Planning & Community Development or designate to negotiate and approve a contribution agreement between the City and REAL regarding the funding for the feasibility study, any amendments to the agreement that do not substantially change what is described in this report and any ancillary agreements or documents required to give effect to the agreement;
4. Authorize the City Clerk to execute the necessary agreements after review and approval by the City Solicitor; and
5. Authorize Councillor Bob Hawkins and REAL President & CEO Tim Reid to assemble and co-chair a committee to be known as the Catalyst Committee with responsibility to:

- Prepare a report and recommendations respecting the findings of the Arena Planning Study Committee, the Aquatics Facility Feasibility Study and the Baseball Needs Assessment, including the siting, staging and financing of these potential civic infrastructure projects, along with any other related civic infrastructure projects which, when considered together, create an economic, recreational, cultural, placemaking and activation opportunity for Regina and its citizens in the decades ahead;
- Pay close attention to how these identified opportunities, when considered collectively, could interact and reinforce each other to create a transformative moment in the growth of Regina;
- Engage and consult with the community, City administration and with city planners and other experts, locally and externally, on leading practices for advancing and realizing these opportunities; and
- Report back to City Council with recommendations by Q4 2022.

## HISTORY

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At the July 6, 2022 meeting of Executive Committee, the Committee considered the following reports:

- EX22-81 – Arena Planning Strategy Committee Development Update from the City Manager.
  - Tim Reid, President & CEO, Regina Exhibition Association Limited addressed the Committee and made a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the City Clerk.
- EX22-80 – Indoor Aquatics Facility Feasibility Study from the Financial Strategy & Sustainability Division.
  - Shauna Bzdel, Director, Land, Real Estate & Facilities; and Consultants - Michael Henderson, Principal HCMA Architecture & Design; Mike Roma, Partner, RC Strategies; and James Youck, Principal, P3 Architecture Partnership - addressed the Committee and made a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the City Clerk.
  - The following addressed the committee:
    - Tracy Moser, President, Regina Piranhas Summer Swim Club, Regina, SK; and
    - Craig Nieuwstad, Head Coach, Regina Optimist Dolphins Swim Team, Regina, SK
- EX22-82 – Baseball Needs Assessment (see report attached) from the City Planning & Community Development Division.
  - Jeff May, Manager, Sports Facilities & Special Events; and Tim Reid, President &

CEO, Regina Exhibition Association Limited addressed the Committee and made a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

The Committee adopted a resolution to concur in the recommendation contained in report EX22-82 after adding the following amendment:

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Recommendation #5 in the attached report does not need City Council approval.

Respectfully submitted,

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



Amber Ackerman, Interim City Clerk 7/7/2022

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

EX22-82 - Baseball Needs Assessment

Appendix A - Baseball Needs Assessment Report