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Item No. 3 Funding for a Feasibility Study for a New Recreation Campus in the Marj Edey Park

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services and submitted the following to Council:

1. That $350,000 be referred to the 2024 Budget Process for the purposes of conducting a feasibility study to include the following:

    A. Consultation with relevant stakeholders to gather feedback on needed recreation infrastructure in the area.

    B. The conceptual designs, drawings, and site plans along with presentation images/renderings for a new recreation campus on City owned land in the Marj Edey Park, including but not limited to indoor aquatics, indoor arena, fieldhouse, gymnasiums, curling sheets, spray pad, and community amenities.

    C. The preparation of a Class 5 cost estimate for design and construction of such a facility.

    D. A public engagement process to gather input on the recreation interests of area residents and feedback on the concept proposed.

2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to fulfill the intent of the foregoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Duncan,
That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services be concurred in and forwarded to Council.

Carried

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On September 12, 2023, the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services considered the Council Motion of July 13, 2023, and recommended to the Executive Policy Committee and Council:

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION:

On July 13, 2023, Council ruled automatic referral of the following motion to the Standing Policy Committee on Community Services:

Moved by Councillor Duncan,
Seconded by Councillor Orlikow,

WHEREAS on May 26, 2022, Council adopted the Winnipeg Recreation Strategy to guide the City of Winnipeg recreation facility investment and service provision decisions;

AND WHEREAS the Winnipeg Recreation Strategy contained guidelines and direction on maintaining and investing in recreation facilities as the City continues to grow;

AND WHEREAS one key purpose of the Winnipeg Recreation Strategy is to transform facilities and services to meet contemporary needs by identifying areas for investment and renewal to create a more adaptable, sustainable, and climate-resilient system that supports holistic health and wellbeing;

AND WHEREAS current recreation facilities in Assiniboine South-West, including the Charleswood Ward are antiquated and may not adequately meet the needs of residents;

AND WHEREAS the 2009 General Council of Winnipeg Community Centres Plan 2025 recommended capital investment to create a district-scale community centre at this location;

AND WHEREAS there may be merit in consolidating community resources to meet the growing need for modern recreation facilities and relevant programming in the area;

AND WHEREAS the existing community organizations, Varsity View Community Centre, Roblin Park Community Centre and Westdale Community Centre have published a letter of intent to the community to amalgamate before December 31, 2023.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council:

1. Refer $350,000 to the 2024 Budget Process for the purposes of conducting a feasibility study to include the following:

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

COUNCIL DECISION (continued):

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