

Minutes – Council – July 16, 2026

Minute No. 444

Standing Policy Committee on Community Service – Notice of Motion

Item No. 2 Soccer Pitch at 960 Arlington Street

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council adopted the following:

1. That the City accept a gift of a soccer pitch from Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities to be located on the grounds of Burton Cummings Community Centre, address at 960 Arlington Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba, as shown and identified as “New Soccer Pitch” on the map attached as Schedule “A”.
2. That the City enter into, execute and deliver a donation agreement with Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities, and such other agreements as determined necessary by the Director of Legal Services and City Solicitor to implement the intent of the foregoing (the “Ancillary Agreements”).
3. That authority be delegated to the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate and approve the terms and conditions of the donation agreement and Ancillary Agreements, and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the Director of Legal Services and City Solicitor to protect the interests of the City.
4. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Santos,
Seconded by Councillor Durand-Wood,

WHEREAS Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities has selected the West Alexander neighbourhood in Winnipeg as a recipient community for the “Community Pitch Project”, a new soccer infrastructure initiative to help expand access to Canada’s most popular youth sport and create inclusive spaces for play and community connection;

AND WHEREAS the community pitches are being advanced in collaboration with the Government of Canada through Sport Canada, alongside support from local donors, Canadian Tire Dealers and CT Real Estate Investment Trust (CT REIT);

AND WHEREAS the new soccer pitch will be located at Burton Cummings Community Centre, providing a new recreational amenity that supports youth programming, physical activity, and community connection;

AND WHEREAS soccer is one of the fastest growing sports in Canada and continues to bring together Winnipeg’s diverse communities, creating opportunities for children and youth of all backgrounds to participate;

AND WHEREAS Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities has committed a donation valued at approximately \$400,000 towards the project, including artificial turf, fencing, netting, soccer goals, player benches, lighting, and associated installation costs;

AND WHEREAS additional project costs related to site preparation, drainage infrastructure, accessibility improvements, pathways, and supporting amenities will be funded through a partnership between the City of Winnipeg and Province of Manitoba;

AND WHEREAS the project is supported through contributions of \$100,000 from the Point Douglas Ward Land Dedication Reserve, \$50,000 through the Mayor’s Office, and \$80,000 from the Province of Manitoba, subject to approval;

AND WHEREAS this partnership represents a significant investment into the West Alexander community and demonstrates the importance of collaboration between community organizations, government partners, and the private sector;

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

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Required to Stand as Notice of Motion in accordance with Rule 17(1) of the Procedure By-law No. 50/2007.

Moved by Councillor Santos:

That Rule 17(1) of the Procedure By-law No. 50/2007 be suspended to consider the motion at this time.

Carried

Councillors Mayes and Orlikow were absent from the vote on the above motion.

The motion for the adoption of the item was put and declared carried.

Councillors Chambers, Mayes and Orlikow were absent from the vote on the above motion.