

STAFF REPORT

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBOURG



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Subject/Title: Additional Outdoor Ice Rinks options in the Town of Cobourg.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council receive this report for information purposes; and

FURTHER THAT Council provide direction to Staff on the option to build an outdoor skating rink at Sinclair Park; and

FURTHER THAT Council direct Staff to include signage advising adherence to the correct Public Health Guidelines and that the Outdoor Rink not be Staff by the Town of Cobourg.

1. STRATEGIC PLAN

The Town of Cobourg Strategic Plan (2019-2022) includes the following Strategic Actions:

People – Encourage Healthy Lifestyle across all age groups by promoting and raising awareness about public health and active transportation: Invest in programs, services and infrastructure to make Cobourg more accessible.

Programs – The Town provides efficient and effective corporate, community, business and recreational services for its residents, businesses and visitors: Implement a comprehensive management plan for all of the Town's assets.

2. PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Not Applicable.

3. PURPOSE

Not Applicable.

4. ORIGIN AND LEGISLATION

Community Services Division.

5. BACKGROUND

Approximately 30 years ago there was an outdoor rink at Sinclair Park.

Also at times there was an outdoor rink at the existing campground. The outdoor rink did not last for very long at the campground, due to the weather and the road way not being able to hold the water when flooded.

Other sites that could have an outdoor rink are Chris Garrett Park or New Amherst Park. However, they do not have an adequate water supply.

6. ANALYSIS

Staff have reviewed the sites in the Town and felt that one option could be Sinclair Park. The site would be on the existing ball diamond. This site would only work if there was consistent cold weather (minus ten for numerous days).

Another option that has been mentioned for an outdoor skating rink is existing storm water ponds in the Town of Cobourg. Staff do not recommend this option as they are not monitored for safety.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/BUDGET IMPACTS

Sinclair Park Cost for flooding (utilities) signage, garbage pickup etc. is \$5,000.00. This amount has not been budgeted for 2020 or 2021.

8. CONCLUSION

That Cobourg Council directs staff to build and operate an outdoor rink at Sinclair Park, weather permitting.

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