City of Mississauga Corporate Report



Date: May 20, 2022

To: Chair and Members of General Committee

From: Jodi Robillos, Commissioner of Community Services

Meeting date: June 15, 2022

Subject

Joint-Use and Funding Agreement with the Peel District School Board for a revitalized Track and Field Facility at Lincoln M. Alexander Secondary School, 3545 Morning Star Drive (Ward 5)

Recommendation

- That the Commissioner of Community Services and the City Clerk on behalf of the Corporation of the City of Mississauga be authorized to enter into and execute a joint use and funding agreement with the Peel District School board for a new lit artificial turf revitalized track and field facility at Lincoln M. Alexander Secondary School at 3545 Morning Star Drive, including all documents ancillary thereto and subsequent amending agreements, all in form and content satisfactory to the City Solicitor.
- 2. That all necessary by-laws be enacted.

Background

The Peel District School Board (PDSB) has been seeking funding opportunities to improve the existing track and field facility at Lincoln M. Alexander Secondary School. There have also been ongoing discussions between the PDSB and the City regarding opportunities to improve the facility for mutual benefit. The improvements are proposed to include a lit artificial turf field and synthetic four lane track in addition to complementary active facilities.

In order that the project could move forward, the PDSB has been monitoring opportunities for funding from higher order governments. The PDSB recently received approval of funding from the Ministry of Infrastructure in support of this project and informed the City that they are now in a position to move forward with the joint use and funding agreement. The City had identified funding in our capital budget forecast anticipating that the board would eventually be successful in securing their funding share.

The 2019 Parks and Forestry Master Plan (Future Directions) supports this proposal. Future Directions Recommendation #42 specifically recommends that we engage school boards in discussions to explore the joint development and maintenance of sport fields and hard surface

Originator's files:

courts. Shared-use facilities on School Board lands frees-up public parkland for other facilities. Shared-use facilities are a cost-effective strategy for providing access to new park facilities.

Comments

Community Services Staff in consultation with Legal Services and Realty Services require Council authority to enter into a joint use and cost sharing agreement with the PDSB. The proposal is for the PDSB and the City to jointly share on a 50%/50% basis the cost of construction, maintenance, repairs and replacement of the track and field facility on the PDSB owned lands at Lincoln M. Alexander Secondary School.

The PDSB will be responsible for the construction of the facility with input from the City on design and construction. Following completion of this facility, the PDSB will have exclusive use of the facility during the school hours and the public would have use of the facility after school hours, weekends, statutory holidays and vacation periods.

Should the PDSB and the City come to an agreement on proposal details and terms of a joint use and funding agreement, the PDSB will commence construction in the summer of 2022 with anticipated completion in December 2022.

Financial Impact

Funding of \$1,650,000 for the City's 50% cost share portion will be funded from PN 21323 New Amenities – Football/track (Lincoln Alexander Football field). Currently PN 21323 has a net (of recoveries) budget of \$1,155,000 available with an anticipated cash flowed amount of an additional net \$495,000 to be allocated in 2023 pending council approval.

Conclusion

The City has a long standing partnership with the PDSB to allocate schools' sports facilities for community use outside of standard school operation hours. The City's contribution to this project will ensure community access to the revitalized track and field and provides opportunities for residents to maintain a healthy and active lifestyle.

Attachments

Appendix 1:Location MapAppendix 2:Concept Plan

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