## General Committee February 16, 2016 Extract

To: Mary Creighton, Director, Recreation

## 22. ICE ALLOCATION POLICY REVISION (6.1)

Presentation Report Correspondence

Mary Creighton, Director of Recreation delivered a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Ice Allocation Policy revisions.

The Committee suggested that the proposed principles to guide the Ice Allocation be endorsed in principle and that the recommendations be deferred to the February 29, 2016 General Committee meeting to permit time for Councillor to meet with Club representatives to discuss their concerns and/or issues relative to the proposed policy.

- 1) That the presentation by Ms. Mary Creighton, Director, Recreation entitled "Ice Allocation Policy Revision" be received; and,
- 2) That the report entitled "Ice Allocation Policy Revision" be received; and,
- 3) That **General Committee endorse in principle** the following principles to guide the Ice Allocation Policy:

## **Guiding Principles:**

- City facilities are built for the benefit of Markham residents and are funded by Markham residents.
- All members of the community should have opportunity to access city facilities regardless of physical, financial, social or environmental barriers.
- City facilities serve as a fabric of the community creating opportunities for individuals to connect to one another and the community.
- City facilities provide an excellent environment to promote, encourage and facilitate lifelong active living.

## Policy Principles:

- Allocations will be handled in an open and transparent manner.
- An Allocation Policy will ensure the distribution of City facilities in a fair and equitable manner, respecting issues of accessibility.
- Allocations will be reviewed on an annual basis.
- Groups meeting Markham residency requirements will receive priority.
- Children/Youth should receive preference of hours when allocating time.
- Where facility demand exceeds supply, the City may have to limit the emergence of new user groups; and,

- 4) That **General Committee endorse in principle** the recommended ice allocation formula outlined in this report which allocates ice by category, residency, and banding; and,
- 5) That the correspondence from Thornhill Figure Skating Club and Markham Islanders Majors Hockey Club be received; and further,
- 6) That the Ice Allocation recommendations be deferred to the February 29, 2016 General Committee meeting.

Carried