

MARKHAM SPORT COUNCIL UPDATE

June 2003 - Present

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Mission of Sport Council

The Markham Sport Council is a community resource dedicated to the betterment of sport in Markham

Goals and Objectives of Sport Council

1. Promote active involvement in sport and physical recreation
2. Provide a mechanism for networking and communicating
3. Advise and support the Town in ongoing sport-related planning and strategic initiatives
4. Celebrate sport achievements and volunteers

Background Highlights

- June 2003 - Sport Summit held to generate interest in Sport Council
- September 2003 - Council approved staff to work with Sport Council initiative
- June 2004 - establishment of Mission, Goals and Objectives
- November 2004 - Bylaws drafted
- March 2005 - incorporated as an Non-profit Sport Council

Moving Forward

- In cooperation with Town play a key role in the allocation process of Sportfields and Ice
- Sport Website – creation of an on-line directory for sport
- Ensure sport is fair and equitable for all
- Community Partners – further develop links
- Coordinate training opportunities
- Link with Character Community Program

Resources Needed

- A 24 hour staff position to be put into place for 12 months
- To ensure Sport Council accomplish identified goals and become an effective resource to the Town staff and Council in sport related facility and policy decisions
- Work out of an existing town facility and report to the Programs Manager of the Recreation Department

Benefits of Sport Council

Sport For All – important role in embracing diversity and ensuring access is fair and equitable for all

One Voice – better coordination of resources and efforts such as volunteer screening, risk management, legal liability, training, facility use, registration, fund raising and sport leaders recognition

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