



**MILLIKEN MILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE,
LIBRARY AND PARK
COUNCIL WORKSHOP
MARCH 30, 2012
8:00 AM
DANCE STUDIO
MILLIKEN MILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Attendance

Mayor Frank Scarpitti
Deputy Mayor Jack Heath
Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Regional Councillor Gord Landon
Regional Councillor Joe Li
Councillor Valerie Burke
Councillor Howard Shore
Councillor Colin Campbell
Councillor Alan Ho
Councillor Alex Chiu
Councillor Logan Kanapathi

Brenda Librecz, Commissioner of Community Services
Mary Creighton, Director Recreation
Lori Wells, Community Recreation Manager South
Gary Adamkowski, Director Asset Management
Paul Ingham, Director Operation
Catherine Biss, Chief Executive Officer, Markham Public Library
Alida Tari, Council/Committee Coordinator

Regrets

Councillor Don Hamilton
Councillor Carolina Moretti

The Milliken Mills Community Centre, Library and Park Council Workshop convened at 8:12 AM with Commissioner Brenda Librecz as Chair.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None disclosed.

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AND PARK**

At the January 30, 2012 Council Workshop it was suggested that the discussions related to the proposed park be referred to a second Council Workshop.

Paul Ingham, Director Operation, delivered a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Milliken Mills Park.

There was discussion relative to the soccer dome at the Milliken Mills Community Centre and the anticipated life cycle.

The Committee discussed the proposed configuration of the baseball diamond fields and whether there is different configuration that would permit better use of the land. Staff pointed out that the lands over the City of Toronto reservoir have limited use.

There was brief discussion regarding the employee parking area and the potential to relocate the recycling facility to a different location. Staff indicated that the parking lot is also used as staging for tree planting in the spring.

The Committee indicated that there is an increasing demand for cricket in our community and suggested we look at options to include cricket pitches where we have soccer fields side by side and investigate if this is possible on this site. It was also suggested to consider whether a track/walking field can be incorporated into the design.

The Committee suggested that staff review the access to the park and work with York Region Transit to ensure it is transit accessible.

The Committee suggested that staff report back on the following:

- Flexibility to change the configuration of the City of Toronto access road
- What are the basic requirements to service this park area (e.g. # of employees required, equipment, etc)
- Enhance the basketball court by adding another court and improving the lighting for night time use (consider motion sensor lighting)
- Look for potential relocation of the works yard
- Look at current layout of fields to ensure maximum use of land

Mary Creighton, Director Recreation addressed the Committee and provided some follow up information from the Council Workshop held on January 30, 2012. She introduced a proposed new building layout that includes an addition (where the new library would be), and renovations to the existing building to include a senior and youth area. It was noted that with this proposal there is the advantage of not having to close the existing library during the construction of the new addition. Staff provided some financial estimation for this new proposal. The Committee directed staff to continue their work on the figures and report back to General Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

That the Milliken Mills Council Workshop adjourn at 10:17 AM.