



STAFF REPORT

Title: North Arena Update - Life-Cycle Audit

Meeting Date: June 16, 2020

Executive Summary:

Rising from the 2020 budget process, Council signaled for the closure and of the North Arena of which the 2020 Budget reflected the closure. That being said, no budget has been set aside for the removal of the infrastructure.

Subject to Cold Lake Minor Hockey's Delegation, Council requested for an industry assessment on the present life-cycle of the North Arena and referred the issue to Council's Corporate Priorities Committee for a broader discussion on the future of the North Arena.

The purpose of this report is to update Council on where administration is with respect to presenting the life-cycle assessment and to establish a clear understanding on Council's expectations on the North Arena.

Background:

Administration is in process of retaining engineering's to complete two (2) distinctive disciplines respecting the life-cycle assessment on the North Arena e.g. structural and ice floor/making.

On June 12, 2020, administration has received a proposal to review the ice floor/making from an industry expert. Administration has signaled the award. Administration anticipates the life-cycle assessment to Council early September.

Administration is seeking for clear direction from City Council on the future of the North Arena for at least the next 12 months.

Further to the above, Council has been advised (in-camera) on the Inter-Municipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) as it relates to the North Arena.

If Council has any hesitation on the future operations of the Cold Lake North Arena, it is recommended that the operation continue until a final decision is made. There will be no going back once the system is decommissioned.

Alternatives:

The following are considerations:



1. Continue with the closure of the North Arena – Council is aware of the impacts to the Local Minor Sport Organizations including Cold Lake Minor Hockey and Lakeland Lacrosse Association and the potential impacts to the ICF.
2. Closure of the North Arena (Specifically to ice making) – As Council is aware, the Lakeland Lacrosse Association has previous expressed usage of the facility.
3. The Cold Lake North Arena remain commissioned for the next 12 months while the life-cycle assessment is being completed and pending budget decisions, as required.

Recommended Action:

Administration recommends that the Corporate Priorities Committee recommend Council maintain operations for the next 12 months.

Budget Implications (Yes or No):

Yes

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