

July 20, 2009



CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: MAYOR & COUNCIL

From: Colleen Neil Manager of Recreation Services
Teresa Clark - Castle of Learning and Discovery Children's Centre

RE: Increase of Day Care and After-School Care fees for the Castle of Learning and Discovery Centre.

BACKGROUND:

The Castle of Learning and Discovery Children's Centre is seeking approval for increasing the daily rate of the Toddler and Pre-school daycare rate and the Before and After-school rates. The last rate increase for child care programs for the Castle was in September 2007. At that time Council approved a \$1.00 increase for the Pre-School and Toddler Programs. This year's increases would be in keeping with the review that was done at that time. The continuing review of Child Care delivery programs and the need to support the expenditures within the current budget warrants Council's approval for a fee increase. This proposed increase in revenue will help the Centre to continue to provide a quality service to the families in our programs and in keeping with other daycare providers.

Toddler rate currently \$33.00 per day proposed \$34.00 per day
Pre-school rate currently \$30.00 per day proposed \$31.00 per day
Before-school rate currently \$3.50 per day proposed \$4.00 per day
After-school rate currently \$7.00 per day proposed \$8.00 per day

BUDGET:

Budget revenues are reflected in the 2009 operating budgets for the Castle of Learning and Discovery Centre.

COMMUNICATION PLAN/Notice By-law Requirements:

Public Notice
Recreation Services Manager
Posted and Communicated to Day Care Families
Finance and Administration

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Council of the City of Kenora approve the fee increase for the daily rates for the Castle of Learning & Discovery Children's Centre for Toddlers to \$34.00 per day, Pre-school to \$30.00 per day, Before School to \$4.00 and After School to \$8.00 per day.

THAT in accordance with Notice By-Law Number 144-2007, public notices is hereby given that Council intend to amend the Tariff By-Law by by-law at its August 10, 2009 meeting; and

THAT Council give three readings to a by-law to amend Schedule "B" to Tariff of Fees and Charges By-Law Number 147-2007; and

THAT this increase takes effect September 01, 2009.