

# City Council Committee Report

**To: Mayor & Council** 

# Fr: Colleen Neil, Recreation Services Manager

# Re: 2010 North American First Nations Hockey Tournament Request

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT Council of the City of Kenora hereby authorizes a grant of \$3,000.00 for the use of the Thistle Rink and The Keewatin Memorial Arena for the 21<sup>th</sup> Annual North American First Nations Hockey Tournament being held in Kenora on March 29 to April 4, 2010.

#### **Background:**

The North American First Nations "Tournament of Champions" is the oldest running tournament that brings together enjoyment, competitiveness and Aboriginal identity.

The City of Kenora has supported this Special Event in the past by contributing financial support to help offset expenditures to rent the Kenora and Keewatin Recreation Arenas. The grant is traditionally used towards the total costs of the ice rentals.

This event is one of the largest Special Events in the City, generating economic and social benefits throughout the community during the winter tourism season. This tournament continues to provide a value to both the Community and the Recreation Complexes as it traditionally has been the last Tournament of the year. This is the 21<sup>th</sup> Annual Tournament.

## Budget:

\$3000.00 from Mayor and Council Donations

## **Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:**

Finance and Administration Local Organizing Committee