

City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor & Council

Fr: Colleen Neil, Recreation Manager

Re: Kenora Soccer Ass. Proposal for the JM Arena

Recommendation:

Whereas the Council of the City of Kenora previously approved entering into a three (3) year agreement with the Kenora Soccer Association for the re-development and use of the Jaffray Melick Recreation Complex for the purpose of an indoor soccer and sports training facility; and

Whereas it has been determined that in order for the City to be eligible for the Trillium funding, agreements must be a minimum of five (5) years;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the City of Kenora hereby approves entering into a five (5) year agreement with the Kenora Soccer Association for the redevelopment and use of the Jaffray Melick Recreation Complex for the purpose of an indoor soccer and sports training facility; and further

That this agreement be initiated once the funding is received for the necessary facility refurbishments (flooring) and the facility is approved for occupancy.

Background:

The Kenora Soccer Association submitted a proposal to Council of the City of Kenora for an alternate and expanded use of the Jaffray Melick Recreation Complex.

This proposal met the criteria set out in the previous recommendation of the 2010 Major Recreation Facility Strategy and fits within the future direction and four season strategy for the City of Kenora and the Lake of the Woods Development Commission.

At its August 2012 Council for the City of Kenora gave direction to the Recreation Services Department to develop an agreement with the Kenora Soccer Association for the redevelopment and use of the Jaffray Melick Recreation Complex for the purposes of an indoor soccer and sports training facility. At this meeting council gave direction for a 3 year agreement to be drafted. The presented agreement has been drafted for a 5 year period. In order to be eligible for Trillium funding agreements must be a minimum of 5 years.

The draft agreement has been reviewed by staff and the soccer association and is now presented to council for approval to move forward.

The agreement will not be initiated until favourable notice of funding for the facility improvement grant is received and the facility has been approved for occupancy.

Budget:

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:

Recreation Facility Supervisor Kenora Soccer Association