5. COMMUNICATIONS

5.1 Correspondence respecting Curling Facilities in Hamilton

*5.1.c Correspondence from the Hamilton Area Curling Association

*5.1.d Correspondence from Curling Canada

12. NOTICES OF MOTION

*12.1 Funding for Women's Entrepreneurship Collective: Business Out of the Box

14. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

*14.1 Appointments to Various City of Hamilton Advisory Committees for the 2018-2022 Term (distributed under separate cover)

Pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-section (b) of the City's Procedural By-law 18-270, and Section 239(2), Sub-section (b) of the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including City employees.
Glendale Support letter

As president of the Hamilton and Area Curling Association (HACA) I personally support Glendale’s efforts to find a new curling facility in the Hamilton area.

Club Link’s decision to close Glendale’s curling section has already effected two long running bonspiels. Both the Harry Clark Memorial Little Rock Bonspiel and the Mixed Curling Classic are having problems finding a venue for the 2019/20 season.

A new curling facility would be welcomed by both recreational and competitive curlers.

Gary Bresnahan
President
Hamilton and Area Curling Association
May 8, 2019

Mr. David Serwatuk, Mr. Brad Hoad, Mr. Bill Mackay

Re: new curling venture in the City of Hamilton

Dear Sirs,

Curling Canada appreciates your request for support as your organization moves towards acquiring an existing hockey rink potentially converting it to a stand-alone curling rink in Hamilton. And we are happy to extend that support!

Since arriving on our shores in 1759, curling has connected Canadians and united diverse communities on the rink. Although the sport has changed over the centuries, the qualities which capture our imagination persist; the tradition of fraternity, the spirit of sportsmanship, and the drive for excellence.

Today, Canada is the world leader in the sport. From thriving grassroots play to the international athletic stage, 90% of all curlers hail from Canada. Curling is a definitive national pastime, with traditions and values that mirror our distinctly Canadian outlook. We are fierce but friendly competitors. We are proud but humble.

Curling rinks are inclusive, volunteer driven, accessible, and safe gathering places. They are vital to communities, providing a venue for people of all ages and abilities to gather and engage in sport. The curling community is a diverse group of people of widely varying ages, backgrounds and socio-economic circumstances. Rinks are also economic drivers in every community. From youth events, to fun tournaments to major events, the sport contributes positively to every local economy and at many levels.

With growing numbers of recreational curlers across the country* – from youth to adults to seniors – our buildings are experiencing renewed success resulting in need of more dedicated ice. Your concept is one that has recently happened in Canada (Parksville, BC and Kemptville, ON) where older hockey rinks were successfully converted to curling rinks. This move was financially beneficial for both the community coffers and the volunteer groups wanting to start a new curling business.

We have many resources we can access to help you achieve your dreams while fully supporting your efforts!

Sincerely,

Danny Lamoureux
Curling Canada, Director, Curling Club Development & Championship Services
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Email: danny@curling.ca

* (source) Vividata 2019
CITY OF HAMILTON
NOTICE OF MOTION

Emergency & Community Services: May 16th 2019

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Funding for Women’s Entrepreneurship Collective; Business in a Box

WHEREAS, Business out of the Box (BOTB), a joint initiative between YWCA, City of Hamilton, McMaster University and LeafBox Concepts, is piloting a social lab approach to design, build, and launch a low-cost business space;

WHEREAS, the pilot will provide support for women and newcomers who have faced barriers to starting businesses and an opportunity to generate income in Ward 3;

WHEREAS, the project will also support the community as a vehicle to transform local physical, economic, and social environments with an interesting way to shop;

WHEREAS, a Business out of the Box shipping container will be located at 414 Barton Street, in Ward 3;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That $1,500 from the Ward 3 Area Rating Reserve Account (108053) be allocated to this social infrastructure project.