

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## MOTION

**Emergency & Community Services Committee: September 26, 2016**

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JACKSON.....**

**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR .....**

### **Gateway Arena Purchase**

WHEREAS, Saltfleet Arena and Stoney Creek Arena are two of the oldest arenas in the City of Hamilton;

WHEREAS, both of these arenas are significantly beyond their useful life;

WHEREAS, significant cost would be required to bring them up to current standards;

WHEREAS, single pad arenas are not cost effective;

WHEREAS, the Indoor Recreation Facility Review Report directs staff to investigate current private arenas to explore any opportunities to replace current aging infrastructure;

WHEREAS, the Owner of the Stoney Creek Gateway Arena has expressed interest in selling the current 3 pad arena (to be expanded to 4 pads at the current owners cost) to the City;

WHEREAS, the current Private/Public Partnership with Nustadia Recreation Inc. in the operation of the Mohawk 4 Ice Arena Facility, has been very successful over the past 13 years;

WHEREAS, the area Councillors are supportive of this recommendation and both the Stoney Creek Girls Hockey and the Stoney Creek Minor Hockey Associations are supportive of a new Quad pad arena in Stoney Creek to replace the two aging single pads; and,

WHEREAS, in keeping with the Mohawk 4 Ice model, the financing and operation of the new quad pad arena will not have any negative effect on the Operating or Capital Budgets of the City;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

That the City Manager be directed to explore the feasibility of the purchase of the Gateway arena (with the addition of the 4th Pad) using the same model as the Mohawk 4 Ice Arena, and/or an in-house model or hybrid, and report back to committee prior to the end of January 2017.