



# INFORMATION REPORT

<b>TO:</b>	Chair and Members Public Works Committee
<b>COMMITTEE DATE:</b>	December 10, 2018
<b>SUBJECT/REPORT NO:</b>	Dundas J.L. Grightmire Arena (PW18093) (Ward 13) (Outstanding Business List Item)
<b>WARD(S) AFFECTED:</b>	Ward 13
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## Council Direction:

At its meeting of September 26, 2018 City Council approved Communication Item 5.23 as follows:

5.23 An Information Update respecting Dundas J.L. Grightmire Arena

Recommendation: Be received and staff be directed to report back to the Public Works Committee, as soon as possible, with a project update regarding the renovations to the J. L. Grightmire Arena and strategies to assist the community stakeholders (hockey clubs).

## Information:

The first week of November, City staff received a revision to the construction schedule. At this time, a firm date for resuming programming within the arena remains uncertain, and it is unlikely that the hockey teams will be able to return to Grightmire in the 2018-2019 season. The City was disappointed in this information, and began working quickly to make appropriate arrangements for users of the arena.

Staff are continuing to work closely with the contractor to address the remaining items on the schedule, ensure the contractor is able to meet their revised schedule, and are taking steps to make sure the community is able to realize the valuable renovations as soon as possible.

On Thursday, November 8th, City officials met with the leadership of the Dundas hockey groups and the local councillor to advise the groups on the current situation, and to discuss how to best assist the teams as the renovations are completed.

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The City thanks residents of Dundas and user groups at Grightmire Arena for their cooperation and patience as we work with the contractor to ensure these renovations are completed and can be fully enjoyed by all users in the new year.

As of November, important dates and milestones remaining in the latest Schedule include but are not limited to the following:

1. Parking Lot Completed and Fire Route completed (affects Dundas Little Theatre and the Dundas Community Pool);
2. Roof Top Air Handling Units completed and operational;
3. Site service connections;
4. Life safety items such as Spray Fireproofing, Intumescent Fire Protection, and Support for Overhead Door;
5. Shop drawing review for the manufacture of various items;
6. Arena ready for staff begin the process of making ice;
7. Occupancy achieved with Building Department and ready for use by the City.
8. Completion of Passenger Elevator;
9. Glass handrails and guardrails on stairs;
10. Active Flood Proofing Measures (required by Hamilton Conservation Authority).

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Dundas J.L. Grightmire Arena is the oldest and one of the most visited hockey arenas in the city. Community interest in renovating the facility began in 2010 when the community won the national Hockeyville contest, receiving \$100,000 toward completion of renovations. In 2016, Council approved the remainder of the \$7 million capital investment in the facility.

In response to community interest and to help ensure hockey teams using the arena would only miss one season in their home arena, the renovation project was planned using an expedited schedule. Renovations on the facility began in the fall of 2017.

The contractor had agreed to a number of interim substantial performance dates which they have been unable to meet to allow the arena to return for the 2018 season.

#### **Appendices and Schedules Attached**

Not applicable.