



Future Fund Grant 2019 – Final Report

Background:

On June 25, 2019 Future Fund Board of Governors approved a grant worth \$358,000 (Three Hundred and Fifty-Eight Thousand) to Hamilton Malayalee Samajam (HMS), 1095 Woodburn Road, Hannon, ON, L0R 1P0. The purpose of the grant was to develop a professional cricket ground in the property of HMS located at the same address.

Project Implementation:

Project implementation steps started soon after receiving the grant. Covid -19 delayed the completion of the project significantly.

Work on this project is divided into three major phases:

Phase 1: Planning, Design and Obtaining Permits

Phase 2: Construction

Phase 3: Preparation of Operation and Maintenance procedures

Phase 1: Planning, Design and Obtaining Permits:

1. **Public Announcement:** The grant details were announced through various medium like email, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram's to the public. The community was thrilled and thankful to the Hamilton Future Fund for the generous support.
2. **Consultation with City Staff:** A meeting was conducted on August 16, 2019 at City Hall with City staff to discuss the details of the project. City staff provided valuable input and suggestions for the project.
3. **Ground Breaking Ceremony:** A ground-breaking ceremony and the official launch of this project was done on August 24, 2019. Hon. Councillor Terry Whithead was present on this occasion. Over 500 people were in attendance for the ceremony.



Ground breaking ceremony

4. **Public Meeting:** A public consultation meeting was called on September 27, 2019 to gather public input for this project.



Public Meeting

5. **Request for Proposal (RFP):** HMS Board of Directors and Property Management Committee in consultation with engineering experts prepared a RFP. The scope of work under the RFP were, planning, design, survey, tender documentation, contract administration and inspection services for the new cricket ground and cricket pitch.
6. **Appointing Consultant:** After evaluation of the submissions, A. J. Clarke and Associates Ltd (<https://www.ajclarke.com>) was awarded the work in April 2020.
A. J. Clarke and Associates started the work in May 2020.
A. J. Clarke and Associates completed preparation of general site layout plan, detailed site grading plan, erosion and sediment control plan, cut/fill analysis and permit applications between July and December 2020.
7. **Permits:** After several rounds of revision and re-submission, Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) permit was granted on March 12, 2021.
After several rounds of revision and re-submission, the City of Hamilton granted site alteration permit on April 23, 2021.

Phase 2: Construction:

1. **Grading and Seeding:** In consultation with our planning and design consultant, A. J. Clarke and Associates, tender documents were prepared and released to prospective bidders in May 2021.
Four quotes were received during May-June 2021.
Based on a review of quotes and meetings with contractors, the property management committee awarded the contract to County Line Construction Inc., 65 Concession 9 Walpole, Jarvis, ON N0A 1J0 (<https://www.countyline.ca>) in August 2021.
County Line Construction Inc. started the work on 9 September 2021.

Stripping of topsoil, preparation of site for grading as per the prepared grading plan, including all cut and fill and compaction of fill, as required, has been completed. Silt control fencing has been installed and a new watercourse/swale has been created at the boundary of the property. Reinstalling of stockpiled topsoil (final grading) and seeding has been completed.
(please see pictures attached)



Grading in process



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Creek was diverted to the periphery of the ground in order to maximize the ground radius

- 2. Pitch Work:** Construction of a concrete pitch and laying of a synthetic turf was completed by Dol Turf Restoration Ltd by the end of June 3rd week. Pictures are attached.

- 3. Facility Inauguration:** The cricket ground was inaugurated and opened to public on June 25, 2022. The event was attended by City of Hamilton Mayor representative, City of Brampton Mayor Hon. Patrick Brown, Hon.MP Dan Muys, Hon.MPP Donna Skelly, and Hon. MP Lisa Hefner.



Cricket Pitch Ribbon cutting ceremony by Hon.MP Dan Muys and Hon.MPP Donna Skelly



Cricket Gound inauguration by Hon. Mayor of Brampton Patrick Brown

Recognition of the Funding: Hamilton Future Fund's contribution has been properly recognized by installing a LED lit sign board in front of the cricket ground (See attached Photo).



Recognition board

Volunteer Support: We are extremely happy to report that the entire project has not incurred any administrative cost except the engineering consultation fees. The community members have input close to 1000 hours of volunteer time for various aspects of the project. We have received significant volunteer help for project design, work supervision, and contractor communications.

Project Financial Actual:

Description	Amount
Engineering Consultation, Design, Permit & Contract Administration.	\$ 39,550
External Contracts	\$322,084
Total	\$361,634

Cricket Ground use: We are very pleased to inform the Future Fund Board of Directors, the cricket ground is now fully functional, and the facility is in use. Please see the attached photographs of the recent cricket tournament conducted at the facility. There were 20 teams from across who Ontario participated in this 2-day long tournament.



Cricket ground is equipped with full size pitch which meets the cricket standard.



Cricket ground is equipped with full size ground radius which meets the cricket standard



Professional Cricket players are happy with the cricket pitch

Respectfully submitting this report before the Future Fund Board of Governors.

Sincerely,

Johny Thomas

Chair, Board of Directors

Hamilton Malayalee Samajam

July 04 , 2022