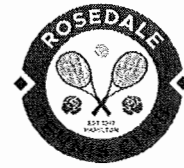


Dec 20, 2022

Hamilton City Hall

Attn: Ms. Holland, City Clerk



RE: UNSOLICITED LOAN REQUEST-Rosedale Tennis Club
2023 City of Hamilton Budget

Dear Mayor Horwath and Member of Council,

Rosedale Tennis Club located in Gage Park, Hamilton since 1919 and operating as a community tennis club since 1923 are requesting support in the form of a loan and/or grant in the amount of \$1,150,000 for the addition of a dome over 4 existing tennis courts, for the purpose of increasing tennis opportunities for Hamilton youth, families, seniors, local schools, and other community groups.

Over the past number of years Rosedale has been operating at or near capacity and have had to put a limit on memberships during the indoor tennis season. Our youth programs are full and court usage is at or near 80 %. We have been working with our tennis community and the staff at the city to consider options and how to increase tennis opportunities.

We have completed a solid business plan for the implementation and funding of the purchase and construction of the dome. Our intention is to contribute up to \$600,000 towards the initial cost, apply for funding through the Tennis Canada/Rogers Program to have more covered courts during winter seasons in the amount of \$200,000 and as well pursue other funding sources. Our business plan also includes repayment of the loan from the City of Hamilton.

We can make our team of volunteers and committee members available to present on this matter to answer questions.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to working together to support the City of Hamilton Vision **"To be the best place to raise a child and age successfully"** and to Live, Work, Play.

Please contact us at info@rosedaletennisclub.ca or 905-545-5205

Best Regards,

David Scott,

Rosedale Tennis Club President.