



City of Hamilton Report for Consideration

To: Chair and Members
Public Works Committee

Date: July 7, 2025

Report No: PW25048

Subject/Title: T.B. McQuesten Park Donations

Ward(s) Affected: Ward 7

Recommendations

- 1) That staff **BE DIRECTED** to negotiate a Donation Agreement with Kyle Scott, carrying on business as Tri"us" Asphalt and Property Maintenance, for the acceptance of the in-kind donation to seal the asphalt surface of the Courts and complete line painting of the basketball court in completion of the Phase 1 work at T. B. McQuesten Park;
- 2) That the staff **BE DIRECTED** to work with Fengate Community Foundation Fund at Hamilton Community Foundation to coordinate and receive the donation for the Phase 2 work of redevelopment of an outdoor basketball court at T.B. McQuesten Park located at 1199 Upper Wentworth Street, Hamilton at a value of \$49,100 be added to the existing Project ID 4400054699 – Tennis and Multiuse Court Rehabilitation Program;
- 3) That staff **BE DIRECTED** to prepare a Donation Agreement and that the General Manager of Public Works be authorized to execute the Donation Agreement between Fengate Community Foundation Fund at Hamilton Community Foundation and the City of Hamilton;
- 4) That the Phase 2 redevelopment of the Courts at T.B. McQuesten Park be partially funded from the Ward 7 Capital Re-Investment Reserve #108057 account to an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$330,000 be added to the existing Project ID 4400054699 – Tennis and Multiuse Court Rehabilitation Program; and,
- 5) That the General Manager, Public Works, or their designate **BE AUTHORIZED** to execute the Donation Agreements, together with any other ancillary agreements or documentation respecting the Phase 1 and Phase 2 projects at T.B. McQuesten

Park, with content satisfactory to the General Manager, Public Works or their designate, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Key Facts

- The Wentworth District Basketball Association Inc. hosts an annual tournament at T.B. McQuesten Park and has connected with the Ward 7 Councillor for a donation to contribute to fund the redevelopment of the outdoor basketball court at the park.
- The work is proposed in two phases with the first phase including aesthetic improvements donated as in-kind work to surface and paint the courts in anticipation of the 2025 tournament. This in-kind work is a donation provided by Kyle Scott, under the business name Tri"us" Asphalt and Property Maintenance.
- The second phase would be jointly funded by the donation by Fengate Community Foundation and Ward 7 Area Rating, to complete a redevelopment of the courts, including new asphalt and acrylic surface, fencing and sealing, to be completed for the 2026 tournament. A donation agreement is required to accept the funds from Fengate Community Foundation Fund at Hamilton Community Foundation.
- This is an opportunity for the City of Hamilton to improve an unfunded court asset, to support the community use of this basketball court.

Financial Considerations

The Environmental Services, Parks Section estimates that the cost to replace a basketball or multi-use court is typically \$130,000 (per court) for court replacement only. The courts at T.B. McQuesten Park are a double court, and the improvement would include upgrades such as acrylic surface, new sport lighting and seating estimated at \$379,100. Court replacements are identified in the Parks Capital block, and the number of courts requiring work exceeds the current block funding. This means that many courts across the City are well beyond useful end of life conditions.

A donation combined with a Ward 7 area rating funding to cover replacement costs would benefit the City by facilitating the upgrade, therefore allowing other critical projects to be funded.

There are no FTE impacts as a part of this proposal, as T.B. McQuesten Park has an existing multi-use court that is maintained by Parks staff.

Background

The City has been approached by the representative of the Wentworth District Basketball Association Inc. to offer a donation through the Fengate Community Foundation Fund at Hamilton Community Foundation. The courts are not currently on the workplan for upgrades, and this donation and ward area rating contribution would expedite the upgrade of this amenity. The proposed improvements have been divided into two phases, a quick refresh for 2025 for phase 1, and a larger full redevelopment

for phase 2 in 2026. In order to improve the aesthetics for the 2025 tournament, an offer of in-kind donation from Kyle Scott, as Tri"us" Asphalt and Property Maintenance would seal and paint the existing courts. As part of the donation agreement, the proposed work would be completed to City of Hamilton Specifications and require documentation of WSIB and Certificate of Insurance. The Phase 2 larger project including court redevelopment work, funded from the Fengate Community Foundation Fund at Hamilton Community Foundation and Ward 7 area rating, would align with the 2026 tournament.

Analysis

The scope of work proposed is the improvement/replacement of the existing public basketball court and tennis court at T.B. McQuesten Park in the City of Hamilton. The Park would benefit from upgraded courts, with enhancements proposed including a new asphalt base and acrylic court surface coating, fencing, upgraded tennis net posts and basketball posts/backboards, lighting, and seating.

The Recreation Master Plan has identified that the rehabilitation of existing court amenities across the City needs to be prioritized. Through a City-wide review of courts, including multi-use courts, tennis courts, and basketball courts, it has been recognized that the compliment of courts in fair and poor condition has been increasing. Since that time, staff have been working to upgrade those most in need, as budget allows, and as part of larger park redevelopment projects. However, there is still a gap between the available funding and the courts that are identified as needing upgrades. T.B. McQuesten Park courts are listed in the study as needing improvement but have not been upgraded.

Legal staff have been consulted and recommended a Donation Agreement be created and executed in order to receive both the in-kind donation, and the monetary donation for this improvement.

Recognizing that this project is not on the current Parks Operations Workplan, adjustments in the timing of other works may be slightly delayed. This project is within scope of typical program work, and drawings and specifications are already available.

Alternatives

If the recommendation of Report PW25048 is not approved, then the courts at T.B. McQuesten Park will remain on the list of Capital projects to be prioritized as budget allows.

Relationship to Council Strategic Priorities

1. Sustainable Economic & Ecological Development
 - 1.1. Reduce the burden on residential taxpayers
2. Safe & Thriving Neighbourhoods
 - 2.1. Provide vibrant parks, recreation and public space

Previous Reports Submitted

N/A

Consultation

- City of Hamilton, Procurement Division, Corporate Services Department
- Legal and Risk Management Services Division, Corporate Services Department
- District Recreation Operations Section, Recreation Division, Healthy and Safe Communities Department

Appendices and Schedules Attached

Appendix A: Aerial Image of T.B. McQuesten Park

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