

**DATE:** February 25, 2020

**TO:** MAYOR AND COUNCIL

**NAME AND TITLE:** Adam Davey, Director, Community Services and Public Safety

**SUBJECT:** Prince George Civic Sport Facility Gap Analysis and Strategy

**ATTACHMENT(S):** Staff Summary

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated February 25, 2020 from the Director, Community Services and Public Safety titled “Prince George Civic Sport Facility Gap Analysis and Strategy.”

**PURPOSE:**

To provide Council with information on the findings of the Prince George Civic Sport Facility Gap Analysis and Strategy specific to the facilities that require upgrades in order to meet the 2022 BC Summer Games hosting standards.

**BACKGROUND:**

On March 10, 2017, the Province of BC and the BC Games Society announced the award of the 2022 BC Summer Games to the City of Prince George. The BC Summer Games is British Columbia’s premier multisport event and is a valuable competitive opportunity for British Columbia’s best young athletes and developing coaches and officials. Up to 3700 participants (athletes, coaches and officials) take part in the BC Summer Games.

Tourism PG, with the support of the City, engaged the services of Allan Leadership in the spring of 2019 to do a comparative review on current sport facilities to obtain an idea of where our facilities need to be to host the 2022 BC Summer Games.

The Prince George Civic Sport Facility Gap Analysis and Strategy provided the following analysis for preparing Prince George to host the 2022 BC Summer Games:

- a. New Construction:
  - Beach Volleyball facility with 2-4 courts (approved project, 2020 CEP);
- b. Refurbishments:
  - Prince George Agriplex and Outdoor Riding Arenas – footing improvements and expansion of Outdoor Riding Ring;
  - Towed water sports ramp – basic refurbishment of existing ramp currently located at Nukko Lake;
  - Baseball and Softball facilities at Carrie Jane Gray Park and Freeman Park – Upgrades would include shale, grass, fencing, backstops and painting.

The Gap Analysis supported a number of key focus areas identified through the City of Prince George 2018 Ball Diamond and Sport Field Strategy, including developing an Infrastructure Renewal Plan and preparing for the 2022 BC Summer Games and other major tournaments.

**STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:**

Supports Council's Priorities of Sustainable Fiscal Management, Sustainable Infrastructure and Organizational Excellence and myPG Goals of Clear Identity and Pride and Health and Wellness.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

During the Jan 6, 2020 Budget meeting, Council approved the construction of the outdoor volleyball courts, as part of the 2020 Capital Expenditure Program at a cost of \$250,000. Additional facility upgrades will be included as part of the planning process during 2020 for recommended inclusion in the 2021 CEP.

**SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION:**

Prince George will host the 2022 BC Summer Games. The Prince George Civic Sport Facility Gap Analysis and Strategy identified gaps where specific facilities fall short of the hosting standards for the event. The next steps involve Administration preparing cost estimates for the facility upgrades indicated within the analysis, and including them in the 2021 capital budget for Council's consideration.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

Adam Davey, Director, Community Services and Public Safety

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**APPROVED:**

Kathleen Soltis, City Manager

Meeting Date: 2020/03/09

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