Town of Aurora
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes

Date:	Thursday, November 21, 2024
Time:	7 p.m.
Location:	Holland Room, Aurora Town Hall

Committee Members: Councillor Ron Weese (Chair)
Bo Brkic
Irene Clement
Michelle Dakin (Vice Chair)
Jessie Fraser

Members Absent: Adrian Martin
Shaheen Moledina
Corrina Tai

Other Attendees: Matthew Volpintesta, Manager, Parks and Fleet Divisions
Lisa Warth, Manager, Recreation
Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Coordinator

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1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement

The Committee acknowledged that the meeting took place on Anishinaabe lands, the traditional and treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island, recognizing the many other Nations whose presence here continues to this day, the special relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory, and that Aurora has shared responsibility for the stewardship of these lands and waters. It was noted that Aurora is part of the treaty lands of the Mississaugas and Chippewas, recognized through Treaty #13 and the Williams Treaties of 1923.

3.   Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Irene Clement
Seconded by Bo Brkic

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

Carried

4.   Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

5.   Receipt of the Minutes

5.1   Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2024

Moved by Michelle Dakin
Seconded by Jessie Fraser

1.   That the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting minutes of September 19, 2024, be received for information.

Carried

6.   Delegations

None.

7.   Matters for Consideration

None.

8.   Informational Items

8.1   Memorandum from Manager, Recreation; Re: Sport Plan Refresh – Status Update

Staff provided an overview of the memorandum, noting the community consultation has been completed and the information heard in the first

step will be validated by further reaching out to the general public, community organizations, and local sport organizations.

The Committee expressed support for the preliminary findings and update. The Committee and staff discussed various aspects including stakeholder consultation and validation of management strategies, themes, and the implementation of recommendations; and the SWOT analysis related to the Town's leadership in sports and the need for leadership development in local sport organizations.

Moved by Irene Clement
Seconded by Bo Brkic

1. That the memorandum regarding Sport Plan Refresh – Status Update be received for information.

<div align="right">Carried</div>

8.2   **Memorandum from Manager, Recreation; Re: Town of Aurora – HIGH FIVE® Registered Municipality**

Staff provided an overview of the memorandum, noting the HIGH FIVE® program is a national quality standard program rooted in research that relates to recreation and leisure sport training and programming for children aged 4 to 12 and adults aged 55+.

The Committee expressed support for the HIGH FIVE® program. The Committee and staff discussed various aspects including potential overlap with the Sport Plan and benefits for leadership and volunteer training; HIGH FIVE® oversight of registration implementation and accreditation; cost analysis, annual registration fee, and training budget; the communications plan for announcing the Town's participation and benefits of the HIGH FIVE® program; the potential for training contracted services and local sport organizations; and other participating municipalities.

Moved by Bo Brkic
Seconded by Irene Clement

1. That the memorandum regarding Town of Aurora – HIGH FIVE® Registered Municipality be received for information.

<div align="right">Carried</div>

9.   New Business

Councillor Weese expressed appreciation to the members for their contributions and participation on the Committee during this two-year term.

10.   Adjournment

Moved by Irene Clement
Seconded by Bo Brkic

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Carried