

# **BUDGET COMMITTEE**

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA

# TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2013 – 9 A.M. continuing WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2013 – IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING GENERAL COMMITTEE

## COUNCIL CHAMBER SECOND FLOOR, CIVIC CENTRE

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### CALL TO ORDER

### DECLARATIONS OF (DIRECT OR INDIRECT) PECUNIARY INTEREST

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

### **DEPUTATIONS**

A. Susan Amring, Director, Economic Development, with respect to Mississauga's Economic Environment.

### **PUBLIC DEPUTATIONS**

### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED

1. Request for Adoption at Budget Committee – Icepark Group Inc.'s IceSkatePark

Mississauga Proposal

Correspondence dated November 28, 2013 from John Stillich, President, Icepark Group Inc., with respect to a request for adoption at Budget Committee – Icepark Group Inc.'s IceSkatePark Mississauga proposal.

2. <u>Budget Committee Deliberations</u>

### **CLOSED SESSION**

(Pursuant to Subsection 239. (2) (d) of the Municipal Act, 2001)

- A. Labour relations or employee negotiations 2014 Staff Compensation
- B. Labour relations or employee negotiations Attendance Program

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Icepark Group Inc.

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BUDGET COMMITTEE
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November 28, 2013

To:

Members of Mississauga City Council

Re:

Request for Adoption at Budget Committee

Hello. Icepark Group Inc. respectfully asks that the item on the following pages be added to the agenda of the December 3, 2013 Budget Committee meeting, and that it be brought to a vote by the Committee.

Thank you for your assistance.

Joh Stilling

Sincerely,

John Stillich

President

Icepark Group Inc.

c.c. Julie Lavertu, Legislative Coordinator

# Icepark Group Inc. of Mississauga respectfully requests that the City of Mississauga, as part of its 2014 City Business Plan and Budget, and in recognition that

- The City of Mississauga is concerned for the health and well-being of its citizens, and recognizes that the increasingly sedentary lifestyles of its citizens presents long term social and economic costs to the Mississauga community;
- Statistics on the growing health risks of inactive lifestyles and overweight of city
  residents indicate that more should be done by community leaders to inspire sedentary
  and physically unfit residents to develop healthy lifestyle habits;
- 3. It is economically beneficial for that City of Mississauga to be a city recognized as a destination for national and international tourism;
- 4. It is beneficial for New Canadians to have more opportunities to participate in Canada's national winter sport of ice skating;
- 5. Canada's sesquicentennial year in 2017 is worthy of an extraordinary celebration of lasting benefit to the city of Mississauga
- 6. Parkland, known as Park 317, exists west of Hurontario and Matheson Boulevard that can accommodate a variety of uses, specifically stormwater management ponds, a cricket field and a major winter park
- 7. Mississauga is proud of Canada's heritage as a nation and recognizes ice skating as a central cultural and sporting focus,
- 8. Not-for-profit Icepark Group Inc. of Mississauga has presented a proposal for a major and unique public outdoor winter park in Mississauga, and has identified that the proposed park has the potential to
  - Increase the physical health and fitness of city residents;
  - Create a recreational focus for outdoor winter enjoyment in Mississauga;
  - Increase economic activity in Mississauga as a result of visits to IceSkatePark Mississauga from residents of the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area and beyond, including from outside Canada;
  - Increase the city's profile for additional economic investment;
  - Generate an inflow of about \$56,000,000 into the city via capital infrastructure cost sharing by the Ontario and/or Canada governments, if pursued by the City;
  - Generate a positive net operating cash flow substantial enough to fund the residual municipal share of the infrastructure cost of the park, if financed over a period of 15 years or more;
  - Provide a significant opportunity for more new Canadians to participate in the winter sporting culture of Canada

- 9. The proposed IceSkatePark would be unique to Canada and supplements existing services in the city of Mississauga;
- 10. A survey by Icepark Group Inc. of Mississauga's adult residents has indicated that, to an overall statistical margin of error of 6.5%,
  - 72% of the city's adults want IceSkatePark Mississauga built, even if there is a tax cost to themselves;
  - only 8% of residents surveyed do not support the park;
  - a 2/3 majority of residents surveyed expressed an intention to visit the park at least once a year;
  - Residents estimated that more than 2/3 of their children would visit the park at least once a year.
- 11. A business case for IceSkatePark has been presented to the City that for costing purposes has discounted the intentions of residents surveyed to visit the park by 75%, assumes that 0.9% of other regional residents would visit the park, and that current winter hotel room rentals in Mississauga would increase by 5.0% as a result of visits to the park;
- 12. Icepark Group Inc. has indicated that IceSkatePark may generate \$13,000,000 or more in annual benefits to the city of Mississauga, at no cost to the city other than for initial explorations;
- 13. It is appropriate that initiatives that provide regional, provincial and/or national benefits warrant financial support from upper levels of government;
- 14. City staff have undertaken cursory reviews of the IceSkatePark business case and other information provided by Icepark Group Inc.;
- 15. If IceSkatePark Mississauga is completed in time to celebrate Canada's sesquicentennial, planning should begin in 2014;
- 16. Because Icepark Group and City staff have not arrived at common conclusions regarding the potential viability, risks, and benefits of the proposed IceSkatePark, and given the significance of potential impacts of the park for Mississaugans, it is worthwhile to undertake an objective external evaluation of the park proposal;

Budget Committee of the City of Mississauga recommend to City Council that the following actions regarding the IceSkatePark Mississauga proposal be approved, being specifically that it:

1. Recognize that there may be significant tourism, economic, health, athletic and cultural benefits arising from the creation of IceSkatePark Mississauga;

- 2. Recognize that the surveyed desire of the significant majority of city residents that IceSkatePark Mississauga be built deserves a thorough review by the City;
- 3. Approve a budgetary allocation in the 2014 Budget for a thorough and external evaluation of the City's and Icepark Group's analyses of the viability, risks and benefits of the IceSkatePark Mississauga proposal;
- 4. Add IceSkatePark Mississauga as an item for exploration into City's Business Plan in 2014, and that the creation of IceSkatePark be added as a contingency for completion by 2017, dependent on the results and recommendations of the external evaluation;
- 5. Direct the Commissioner of Transportation and Works to provide, as soon as possible in 2014, and alternative design for a stormwater management facility for Park 317, such that facility, IceSkatePark Mississauga, and a cricket field can co-exist on that site;
- 6. Direct that implementation planning for IceSkatePark Mississauga, such as negotiations for capital cost sharing from Ontario and Canada governments, begin in 2014 if the external evaluation supports the park's creation.

Icepark Group Inc. thanks the members of Mississauga City Budget Committee and City Council for its interest and consideration in support of the people of Mississauga.

Respectfully,

John Stillich President

Icepark Group Inc.

Joh Stilling