

**911 – Emergency Municipal Address Signs Posted
Visibly Indoors in city Owned or Leased Arenas,
Community Centres**

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To:	Community Development and Recreation Committee
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Wards:	All Wards

SUMMARY

This report describes the implementation and financial requirements to install improved and much needed emergency signage inside the City’s Municipal recreation facilities, including City owned or leased arenas and community centres.

Currently, many City owned recreation facilities do not have the municipal address visibly posted inside facilities in case of 911 emergencies.

Parks, Forestry and Recreation has identified 237 facilities, which include community centres, complexes, arenas and outdoor artificial ice rinks, that require emergency address signs visibly posted with the name of the facility, its street address and nearest intersection.

The financial requirements for implementing this initiative include a one time cost of \$34,560 and an annual maintenance cost of \$8,290. Parks, Forestry and Recreation have the operating budget to allocate to this initiative.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

DECISION HISTORY

City Council on June 23 and 24, 2008 adopted a motion MM22.1, requesting the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to report to the Community Development and Recreation Committee on the implementation and financial requirements to install improved and much needed emergency signage inside the City's Municipal recreation facilities.

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/cc/bgrd/backgroundfile-13825.pdf>

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Currently, many City of Toronto municipal recreation facilities do not have proper signage that is visibly posted to assist staff or patrons in responding to 911 emergencies in a timely and efficient manner.

Many people who utilize City of Toronto facilities are not necessarily from the local community or could be visiting from other parts of the City and may not be familiar with the municipal address.

Parks, Forestry and Recreation supports posting emergency signage in all City of Toronto operated municipal facilities and will allocate the necessary budget to implement this initiative. Implementing emergency signage in the 237 City of Toronto operated municipal recreation facilities will cost \$34,560 and \$8,290 annually to maintain.

COMMENTS

Implementation

Parks, Forestry and Recreation Sign Shop is able to produce the signage that will be installed and replaced as needed by Parks, Forestry and Recreation staff or Facilities and Real Estate staff. Approximately one year is required to fully produce and install emergency signage in all City owned municipal recreation facilities. At the completion, each facility entrance area will have an emergency sign visibly posted with the name of the facility, address and nearest main intersection.

Financial Requirements

The chart below describes the number of signs required and the cost for installation and replacement.

Type of Facility	No. of Sites	(a) No. of Entrances	(b) Cost of interior signs	(c) Cost of Installation	(d) Annual Maintenance/repair cost	
North York						
Community Recreation Centre Complex (CRC)	38	152	\$5,320	n/a	\$1,330	
Arenas	11	33	\$1,155	n/a	\$289	
Artificial Ice Rinks (AIR)	5	10	\$350	n/a	\$88	
Scarborough						
Community Recreation Centre Complex	35	140	\$4,900	\$2,240	\$1,785	
Arenas	10	30	\$1,050	n/a	\$263	
Etobicoke/York						
Community Recreation Centre Complex	50	200	\$7,000	n/a	\$1,750	
Arenas	12	36	\$1,260	n/a	\$315	
Artificial Ice Rinks	20	40	\$1,400	n/a	\$350	
Toronto/East York						
Community Recreation Centre Complex	34	136	\$4,760	\$2,176	\$1,734	
Artificial Ice Rinks	22	44	\$1,540	\$1,408	\$737	
TOTALS	Total sites 237	Total entrances 821	Total cost of signs \$28,735	Total cost to install \$5,824	Total cost for maintenance \$8,290	Total cost to implement \$34,560
Note: (a) Estimated entrances for signs = CRC Complex 4; Arenas 3; and Artificial Ice Rinks 2. (b) Interior LEXAN signs \$35/each, size 12"x14". (c) Installation work to be completed by Facilities & Real State staff = \$64/per site. No installation cost in Scarborough & Etobicoke/York due to work to be completed by on site staff. (d) Annual maintenance cost estimated by 25% of replacement & installation cost.						

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