
City Council

NOTICE OF MOTION

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Continued Operation and Maintenance of Toronto District School Board Pools - Moved by Councillor Stintz, seconded by Councillor Saundercook

•Notice of this Motion has been given.

•This Motion is subject to referral to the Community Development and Recreation Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.

Recommendations

1. That the City of Toronto's aquatic strategy report be included in the agenda of the next meeting of the Community Development and Recreation Committee, so that public deputations can be held.
2. That the appropriate City staff prepare a report on how the City of Toronto and the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) can work together to keep our community pools operational.

Summary

School pools are an important part of Toronto's infrastructure and recreational programming. Toronto is unique in that historically the municipality combined resources with the school board to build pools for schools and community use. These assets support non-profit swim clubs, camps and community swim needs in addition to regular programming by the school board and the City.

On August 27, 2008 the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) moved the following motion:

143. Swimming Pools

- a. That the Board thank David Crombie for his work on finding possible funding sources to operate school swimming pools;
- b. That, based on the Provincial transition funding for pools announced on August 7, 2008:
 - (i) that the pools slated for decommissioning this fall remain open for the 2008-09

school year and that aquatics instructors and caretaking staff be hired as soon as possible, subject to confirmation that Provincial funding has been received by the TLC;

- (ii) that the Board participate fully in the Toronto aquatic workgroup proposed by Mr.Crombie;
 - (iii) that the Toronto Lands Corporation be given responsibility for providing operational oversight and licensing/permitting services for the 39 pools that are currently unfunded; and
 - (iv) that the Director instruct staff to assist the Toronto Lands Corporation in collecting more precise data on the operating costs of individual pools.
- c. That the Chair of the Board forward a copy of the Board's decision and a copy of the letter from Mr. Crombie to the City of Toronto's Community and Social Services Committee for their possible review and comment.

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