

Memorandum

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TO:

Councillor Mike DelGrande

FROM:

Brenda Patterson, General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation

RE:

Briefing Note of February 4, 2009 - Outdoor Rinks

This is in reply to your letter of February 17, 2009 to me concerning the above noted subject.

More specifically it relates to your concern with respect to the lack of outdoor ice rinks in the former Scarborough (East District), as compared to the rest of the City, particularly when, as your letter points out, six of the City's thirteen priority neighbourhoods are in Scarborough.

The former Scarborough has, as you know a predominance of indoor municipal skating facilities versus outdoor ice rinks primarily resulting from that former municipality's recreation service delivery policies. In fact then, East District enjoys a provision rate for municipal indoor skating facilities that is higher than the city average. As we undertake the 2010 - 2019 Capital Budget and planning processes we will give consideration to the addition of outdoor artificial skating facilities.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Brenda Patterson, General Manager Parks, Forestry and Recreation

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