

# STAFF REPORT INFORMATION ONLY

# Don Mills Civitan Arena Ice Usage and Potential 2020 Accommodation Plan

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From:	Acting General Manager Parks, Forestry and Recreation		
Wards:	All		
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## **SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to provide a comprehensive review of the current ice allocation at the Don Mills Civitan Arena and to propose an initial accommodation plan for ice users if the replacement arena is not completed by the time the current Don Mills Arena is no longer available for use in 2020.

The accommodation plan is based on 2014 - 2015 ice allocation data, and will be revisited at a date closer to the closure of the Don Mills Civitan Arena.

## **Financial Impact**

There is no financial impact resulting from the receipt of this report.

#### **DECISION HISTORY**

At its meeting of May 12, 2014, the Government Management Committee requested that the Acting General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation review the current ice allocation at the Don Mills Civitan Arena and based on the outcome of the review, report directly to the June 10, 2014 City Council meeting on a suitable accommodation plan to be implemented in case the new arena is not completed before the current Don Mills Civitan Arena is no longer available for use.

Decision Document – GM30.14 <a href="http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2014.GM30.14">http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2014.GM30.14</a>

#### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

The Don Mills Civitan Arena at 1030 Don Mills Road was constructed over 50 years ago and contains a single pad ice surface.

The Don Mills Civitan Arena will be replaced because the City will be conveying the land upon which the arena is located to Cadillac Fairview as part of a land exchange that involves the creation of a new community centre that will not include any ice pads. The existing site continues to be owned and operated by the City, but will become the property of Cadillac Fairview when they initiate their option to purchase between now and October 2020. The Don Mills Civitan Arena will continue to be used by the City as an arena until 2020 when the arena will be closed. Although the arena presently acts as a base for the Don Mills Civitan Hockey League house league program, it is a regional facility, drawing multiple hockey organizations and their members from across the City as detailed in attachments 1-5 of this report.

If the replacement arena is not completed and operational by 2020, then all existing ice users will be displaced.

#### **COMMENTS**

The City allocates ice time in City-owned and operated arenas based on the Councilapproved "Ice Allocation Policy" which considers user category, number of participants, and residency status. The 2014-2015 ice allocation process for all City of Toronto arenas was administrated and completed by staff in March 2014. This allocation involves only 'prime time' ice periods which are defined as operating Monday – Friday 5:00 PM – 11:00 PM and Saturday/Sunday from 7:00 AM – 11:00 PM.

The information contained in the following chart identifies all ice user groups, the user category and the total number of weekly prime time hours allocated at the Don Mills Civitan Arena for the 2014-2015 season.

Category	Organization	Total Hrs/Week
CY	Don Mills Civitan Hockey League	28.25
	Toronto Leaside Girls Hockey Association	3
	York Mills Hockey Club	5.25
CC	Greater Toronto Hockey League	2.5
	North York Hockey League	5
CA	Toronto Leaside Girls Hockey Association	1.5
CM	Adult Pick Up	2.5
PFR	Recreation Programming	13.25

CY Community Youth CM Commercial

CC Community Competitive PFR Recreation CA Community Adult

As part of their total ice allocation, all of the potentially displaced groups currently have additional ice time other than that at the Don Mills Civitan Arena. This additional allocation requires that they travel to other arenas either within the District or city wide. The chart below highlights the group, the district, arena location and weekly usage.

Group 2014 - 2015	District	Complex	Total Hrs/Week
Don Mills Civitan Hockey League	North	Don Mills Civitan Arena	28.25
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		York Mills Arena	1
		Mitchell Field CC	1
		Oriole CC	2
		Pleasentview CC	2
	East	Agincourt RC	2.5
	2437	Commander RC	2
Toronto Leaside Girls Hockey Assoc.	North	Don Mills Civitan Arena	4.5
		Baycrest Arena	3
		Angela James Arena	9.75
		Oriole CC	4.5
		Fenside Arena	3
		Herbert H. Carengie Arena	1
	East	East York Memorial	3
		Leaside Memorial Gardens	11
		Agincourt RC	2
		Ted Reeve Arena	4
		Centennial RC (East)	4
		Scarborough Village RC	1
	South	Moss Park Arena	3
York Mills Hockey Club	North	Don Mills Civitan Arena	5.25
		Fenside Arena	3
		York Mills Arena	15.5
		Angela James Arena	16.5
		Mitchell Field CC	2
		Pleasentview CC	3.25
Greater Toronto Hockey League	North	Don Mills Civitan Arena	2.5
		Baycrest Arena	4.5
		Bayview Arena	4.5
		Fenside Arena	6.5
		Victoria Village Arena	13.5
		York Mills Arena	4.5
		Larry Grossman Memorial	12
		North Toronto Memorial	12
		Cummer Park CC	5
		Goulding CC	5

		Grandravine CC	4.75
		Herbert H Carnegie Arena	34.25
	East	Oriole CC	4.5
		Pleasentview CC	9.5
		Don Montgomery CC	15
		Birchmount CC	35.25
		Ted Reeve Arena	18
		Centennial RC (East)	19
	West	Malvern RC	9.75
		Amesbury Sports Complex	4
		Habitat Arena	5
		Lambton Arena	14
		Pine Point Arena	18.5
		Centennial Arena (West)	16.5
North York Hockey League	North	Don Mills Civitan Arena	5
		Fenside Arena	9
		Victoria Village Arena	5
		John Booth Arena	10
		Larry Grossman Memorial	4
		North Toronto Memorial	4.5
		Oriole CC	5 5
		Pleasentview CC	
	East	Ted Reeve Arena	4
		Commander RC	10.75
	West	Amesbury Sports Complex	7
		Downsview Arena	20.75
		Habitat Arena	16.5
		George Bell Arena	10
		Gord and Irene Risk CC	17

If the replacement arena is not completed and operational by 2020, then all existing ice users will be displaced. Subsequently, an accommodation plan for the 2020 season will need to be established and implemented which will ensure that all organizational ice requirements are fulfilled through the use of other arena locations. As with any plan, under these circumstances, it is important that the impact of such changes is limited to the least number of groups and membership.

In the event that the new arena is not available for use in the 2020, operating season staff will take the following steps.

a) Remove the GTHL and NYHL from their allocated ice time at all North District arenas. Re-allocate this weekly ice time to various other arenas across the City. These organizations currently travel extensively to play at multiple City sites so the impact to their operation will be minimal.

- b) Re-allocate the Don Mills Civitan Hockey League weekly ice time to other North District arena locations. This will allow the organization to operate within 5.2 kms of the present Don Mills Civitan Arena location. However, because the GTHL and NYHL schedule home games out of the Don Mills Arena on their behalf, the competitive teams of the Don Mills Civitan Hockey League may be impacted by having to travel to other City arena locations.
- c) Re-allocate the weekly ice time of the York Mills Hockey Club and the Toronto Leaside Girls Hockey Association to North District and / or Citywide arena locations. Both organizations already have their respective 'home' locations - York Mills Arena and Leaside Memorial Gardens - and travel extensively for additional ice.
- d) Re-allocate the weekly ice time of any commercial ice groups to North District and or City-wide arena locations.
- e) Re-allocate the weekly ice time of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to North District arena locations. This may also include a combination of program start time and length adjustments. Since the Ice Allocation Policy identifies Parks, Forestry and Recreation programs as `priority,` displacement of additional groups may be required to accommodate programming.

#### CONCLUSION

It should be noted that this accommodation plan is based on 2014-2015 ice allocation data provided within this report. Over time, hockey organizations may experience changes to both their participant numbers and their membership residency percentages for various reasons. These changes can dramatically impact the weekly hours of Citywide ice they are allocated as per the policy. As well, new and emerging groups and their ice allocation needs may come into play during the 2014-2020 period, which in turn, may necessitate adjustments to the plan.

Therefore, any accommodation plan at this point in time is premature and will need to be revisited closer to the time of the Civitan Arena closure scheduled for 2020. Parks, Forestry and Recreation will work closely with hockey organizations to ensure they will be accommodated in case a new arena is not completed by 2020.

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### **ATTACHMENTS**

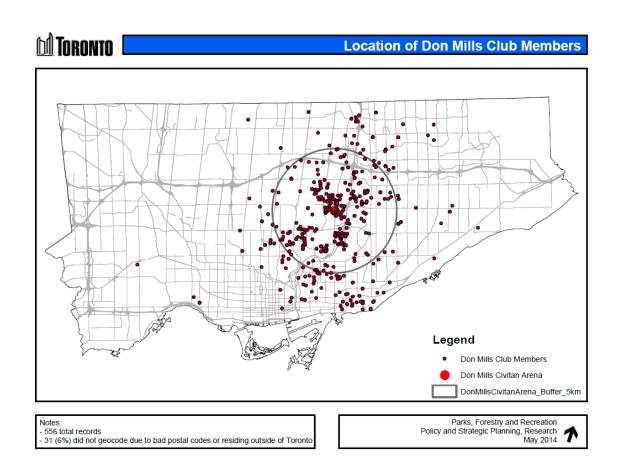
Attachment 1 – Map - Location of Don Mills Club Members

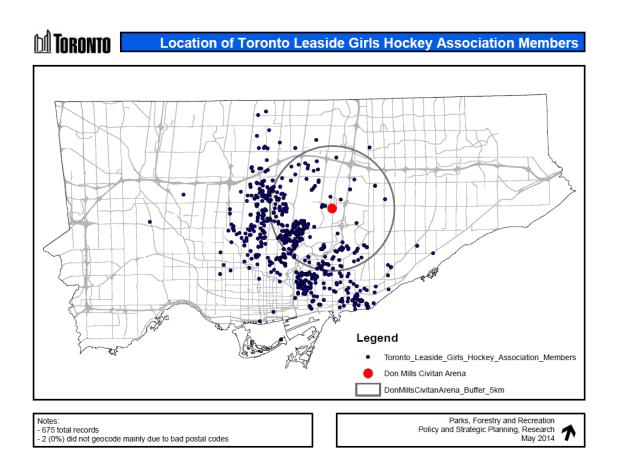
Attachment 2 – Map – Location of Toronto Leaside Girls' Hockey Association Members

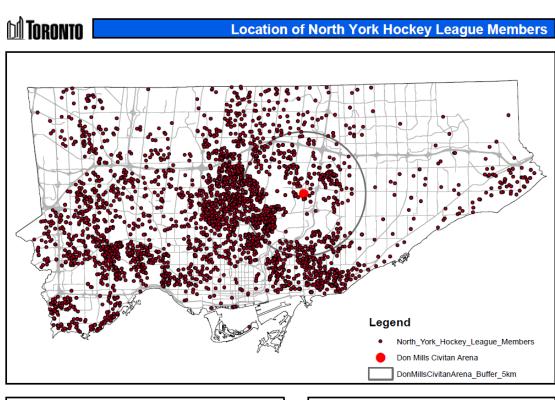
Attachment 3 – Map – Location of North York Hockey League Members

Attachment 4 – Map – Location of Greater Toronto Hockey League Members

Attachment 5 – Map – Location of York Mills Hockey Club Members







Notes:
- 4,890 total records
- 756 (15%) did not geocode mainly due to residing outside of Toronto

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