

City Council

Motion without Notice

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Interim Extension and Retention of Service Levels - by Councillor Frank Di Giorgio, seconded by Councillor Justin J. Di Ciano

** This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

** This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

Recommendations

Councillor Frank Di Giorgio, seconded by Councillor Justin J. Di Ciano, recommends that:

1. City Council request the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, to submit for the 2018 Budget process, the extension of aquatic programming at Centennial Pool to offset the loss of aquatic programming at Nelson A. Boylen Collegiate Institute.

Summary

Normally, communities look forward to the fulfillment of announced improved service levels when a new recreational community centre that provided free services come on stream. Invariably, free services attract a larger number of residents and greater participation.

Unfortunately, total service levels may be reduced inappropriately when the introduction of such a Community Centre is accompanied by a reduction of services provided for residents on a pay for services basis. For example, there are larger waiting lists for free aquatic programs at York Recreation Centre and reduced paid programming in schools in the area.

Therefore, I am requesting that the City focus on expanding the services to include more residents but also retain the quality of service levels for previously served residents.

Background Information (City Council)

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