City Council

Notice of Motion

MM32.26   ACTION  


* 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

Councillor Mark Grimes, seconded by Councillor Justin J. Di Ciano, recommends that:

1. City Council request the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation to consult with Hockey Canada, the Ontario Hockey Federation, the Greater Toronto Hockey League, North York Hockey League and local minor hockey leagues in the City of Toronto and to report to the Community Development and Recreation Committee on the impacts of mandatory cross-ice/half-ice hockey on Parks, Forestry and Recreation operations, including the ownership, safety and storage of specialized equipment, ice allocation, scheduling, change room space, and fees and revenue.

Summary

Hockey Canada has implemented mandatory cross-ice/half-ice hockey in its Initiation Program beginning this fall, 2017-18 season.

Cross-ice/half-ice hockey has always been used at the entry level but has not been implemented uniformly across communities, nor has it been mandatory. Cross-ice/half-ice hockey requires adapted equipment to allow for multiple practices and games to take place on one rink at the same time. This new requirement has implications for Parks, Forestry and Recreation, as well as local hockey leagues, relating to the ownership and storage of specialized equipment required to implement cross-ice/half-ice hockey, ice allocation, scheduling, change room space, and fees and revenues.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM32.26  
(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2017/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-107292.pdf)