

## City Council

### Motion without Notice

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### **Potential Future Community Recreation Centre in Liberty Village - by Deputy Mayor Ausma Malik, seconded by Councillor Amber Morley**

*\* 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**

Deputy Mayor Ausma Malik, seconded by Councillor Amber Morley, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the Executive Director, Development Review, in consultation with other relevant City divisions, to continue to evaluate the opportunities for new community space through the Liberty for All Planning Study, and report to City Council with recommendations in the first quarter of 2026.
2. City Council request the General Manager, Parks and Recreation, to continue to review the need for a new community recreation centre in Liberty Village through the Parks and Recreation Facilities Plan and Financial Strategy, and report to City Council with recommendations in the first half of 2026, including consultation with the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and Executive Director, Development Review on potential funding sources.
3. City Council direct the Chief Executive Officer, CreateTO, in consultation with the Executive Director, Corporate Real Estate Management, the General Manager, Parks and Recreation, and other relevant agencies and divisions to assess available City-owned real estate in Liberty Village, including parking lots, for the purposes of accommodating future community infrastructure, including a community recreation centre.

### **Summary**

The Liberty for All Planning Study, led by City of Toronto Development Review with Parks and Recreation Division's support, was initiated in 2024 to establish a comprehensive planning framework for Liberty Village and set out a long-term vision for the achievement of a complete community centred around transit investment. Liberty For All builds on completed City initiatives such as the [Liberty Village Public Realm Strategy](#), the [Liberty Village Traffic Action Plan](#), and ongoing community engagement. The Liberty for All Planning Study will result in policy updates to the existing Garrison Common North Secondary Plan, anticipated to be brought to City Council for approval in the first quarter of 2026. Parks and Recreation Division is supporting the community services and facilities strategy being delivered by the city through the Study, which will assess the impact on utility and provision of Canada Research Chairs for the Study Area.

At the same time. Parks and Recreation staff are currently developing a new city-wide Parks & Recreation Facilities Plan, building on the strategic direction of the 2017 Parks and Recreation Facilities Master Plan. The new Facilities Plan is based on a data-driven methodology and robust community engagement that ensures the needs and priorities of residents are reflected. The Facilities Plan will identify growth-related priorities for new or improved facilities, including community recreation centres, and will assess whether current recreation facilities meet the needs of residents. The Facilities Plan update is anticipated to be brought to City Council for approval in Spring 2026.

The reason for urgency is because both the Liberty for All Planning Study and Parks and Recreation Facilities Plan are actively underway.

### **Background Information (City Council)**

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(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2025/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-257669.pdf>)