

NANAIMO CLIPPERS JUNIOR "A" HOCKEY

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Damon Johnston Arenas Manager - City of Nanaimo Parks and Recreation

Dear Damon,

The Nanaimo Clippers Junior 'A' Hockey Club has submitted a bid for the 2021 National Junior A Ice Hockey Championship, which will take place May 8-22, 2021.

This event, known as the RBC Cup, is the biggest Junior A Ice Hockey event in all of Canada and will require the City of Nanaimo's support in order to be successful.

We are looking to book Frank Crane Arena from May 8-22, 2021 for tournament games. In addition, we are in need of ice time at Cliff McNabb starting May 8 for practices for the five teams involved in the tournament. In addition, we will need to reserve several rooms in the Beban Social Centre for volunteers, media, scouts, etc.

This is an excellent opportunity for the City of Nanaimo to be placed on the sports map of Canada. It's also a tremendous opportunity for the City to spinoff economic benefit for all. Indeed, the City of Chilliwack recently held this tournament in 2018 and the studies showed that the economic spinoff was \$2.5 Million to the City of Chilliwack.

This tournament will see four top-level Junior A hockey teams come to Nanaimo, along with fans, media, friends, family, and scouts. The media coverage will give significant exposure to the City

We will be booking over 150 hotel rooms over the duration of the event along with booking all the team/official meals at local restaurants in Nanaimo.

In order to follow the Hockey Canada guidelines of City financial investment and in keeping with Chilliwack (2018 hosts) and Brooks, Alberta (2019 hosts), we are requesting \$30,000 in funding from the City of Nanaimo for the event along with the use of facilities at no cost for the event. We will also be requesting funding from the Province of BC, BC Hockey, local businesses and Tourism Nanaimo.

Please note that Wes Mussio, owner of the Nanaimo Clippers, will be providing substantial funding and support in order to ensure the economic viability of the tournament. All profits from this event, if any, will be left in Nanaimo to a legacy fund that is still yet to be determined.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thanks, Tali Campbell Director of Business Operations

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