

# **Staff Report for Decision**

DATE OF MEETING OCTOBER 16, 2023

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SUBJECT HAREWOOD CENTENNIAL TURF FIELDS RESERVE FUND

**BYLAW** 

#### **OVERVIEW**

#### **Purpose of Report**

To introduce "Harewood Centennial Turf Fields Reserve Fund Bylaw 2023 No. 7369" for first, second and third readings.

#### Recommendation

- 1. That "Harewood Centennial Turf Fields Reserve Fund Bylaw 2023 No. 7369" (To establish the Harewood Centennial Turf Fields Reserve Fund) pass first reading:
- 2. That "Harewood Centennial Turf Fields Reserve Fund Bylaw 2023 No. 7369" pass second reading; and
- 3. That "Harewood Centennial Turf Fields Reserve Fund Bylaw 2023 No. 7369" pass third reading.

#### **BACKGROUND**

This summer construction commenced on two new artificial turf fields at Harewood Centennial Park. Funded by a grant from the Community, Culture and Recreation stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program, School District 68 and the City, these two fields will help meet the growing need for high quality sports facilities in the community and are supported in City Plan, as well as the previous Sports Field Strategy.

Once completed the facility will consist of two synthetic turf fields that will be able to accommodate a variety of sports including soccer, softball, football and lacrosse. Additional amenities will include:

- Field lights
- Covered players and officials benches
- Areas for spectator seating
- Secure off field storage area
- Perimeter walkway



#### **DISCUSSION**

School District 68 contributed \$700,000 to the cost of construction and on 2023-Sept-28 the School District signed a joint use license agreement with the City for the facility. Terms of the joint use license agreement include the creation of a reserve fund to which both School District 68 and the City will make annual contributions. Funding in the reserve will to be used by the City for future major capital improvements (as determined by the City), or for replacement of components, of the Facility, West Field and/or East Field. Any net profit from the operation of the facility will also be contributed to the reserve.

The creation of the Harewood Centennial Turf Fields Reserve Fund will meet the requirements of the joint use license agreement.

#### **OPTIONS**

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- The advantages of this option: Creation of the reserve ensures the City's meets the terms of the joint use license agreement with School District 68.
- Financial Implications: The 2024 2028 Financial Plan will reflect School District 68 and City's contributions to the reserve.
- 2. That Council table the report and request more information from Staff.

### **SUMMARY POINTS**

- Two new artificial turf fields are under construction at Harewood Centennial Park.
- School District 68 contributed \$700,000 to the project.
- The City and School District 68 have entered into a joint use license agreement.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

"Harewood Centennial Turf Fields Reserve Fund Bylaw 2023 No. 7369".

Attachment A: Joint Use Licence Agreement John Barsby School and Harewood Centennial Park



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