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Report To: General Government Committee

From: Stephen Brake, Director of Public Works

Date: June 6, 2022

Memo #: Memo-029-22

Re: Clarington Cricket Pitch

At the General Government Committee meeting held on Monday January 10, 2022, Council approved Resolution #GG-007-22, that directed staff to:

Coordinate the development of an agreement with one of the School Boards in Courtice to establish a Cricket Pitch overlay on one of their existing sports fields;

Work with Mr. Yasi Majid and Dr. Naveed Tariq on the establishment of a Cricket Pitch overlay on the previously identified Municipal soccer field at Rickard Neighbourhood Park in Newcastle; and

Advise all interested parties listed in Report [PWD-001-22](#) and any delegations of Council's decision.

In response to the direction provided, staff contacted the interested parties on their preferred location for the pitch and Courtice was their choice given the proximity of users. Both the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board (KPRDSB) and the Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic District School Board (PVNCCDSB) were contacted to review candidate locations in Courtice, and it was determined that the most suitable location for the Cricket Pitch Overlay would be on the Holy Trinity Catholic Secondary School sports field and that use of a portable mat for the pitch portion of the cricket area would be an acceptable surface that wouldn't damage or change the intended use of the sports field.

The Municipality currently has an agreement with the PVNCCSB for Municipal programming at their facilities during the summer season and the Cricket Pitch will form part of this agreement. The PVNCCSB requested that the Cricket group provide a schedule for their coordination.

Staff researched portable Cricket Pitch products and storage options for the mats and sourced a roll up mat with trolley, that will work on a grass field, and a small, refurbished sea container to store the mat on site when not in use.

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The cost of acquiring these items will be approximately \$12,000 plus taxes and shipping and given that the Cricket group is a fledgling organization they do not have the financial resources to acquire these items. Public Works is respectfully recommending that approval be provided to proceed with the acquisition of the portable mat, and storage container with the necessary funding to be drawn from an account at the discretion of Deputy CAO / Treasurer to a maximum of \$15,000.

Regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S. Brake', is positioned above the typed name.

Stephen Brake
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cc: Yasir Majid
Naveed Tariq