

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MAY 6, 2002

SAFETY NETS FOR VAUGHAN HOCKEY ARENAS

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Community Services in consultation with the Executive Director of Building, Facilities and Parks recommends:

That a report on the issue of safety nets in Vaughan arenas including cost implications be provided to the next Committee of Whole meeting.

Purpose

To provide Council with information concerning the timing of this report.

Background - Analysis and Options

At the Committee of Whole meeting of April 22nd, 2002, Council requested a report addressing the feasibility of implementing safety nets at Vaughan arenas. The report was to be provided for May 6, 2002, staff has been unable to obtain accurate cost estimates in this period of time. The arenas are currently closed until September 2002. A staff report will be provided at the next Committee of Whole meeting.

Conclusion

As the arenas are currently closed, the provision of a report at the next meeting will allow adequate timing to address this issue.

Attachments

1. Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of April 15, 2002, "Safety Nets for Vaughan Hockey Arenas"

Report prepared by:

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Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner, Community Services

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES APRIL 15, 2002

148. **SAFETY NETS FOR VAUGHAN HOCKEY ARENAS**

Item 40, Committee of the Whole Report No. 28
(Please refer to Minute No. 98)

The Committee of the Whole recommends

- 1) **That the recommendation contained in the following report of Councillor Kadis, dated April 8, 2002, be approved; and**
- 2) **That the report be provided for the Committee of the Whole meeting of May 6, 2002.**

Recommendation

Councillor Kadis recommends:

That staff prepare a report regarding the feasibility of implementing safety nets at all Vaughan Hockey Arenas.

Purpose

To ensure the safety of all spectators at hockey games.

Background - Analysis and Options

In light of the recent tragic event that claimed the life of a 13 year old girl at a NHL game in Columbus, Ohio on Saturday March 16, 2002 it is essential that we address this issue.

Conclusion

It is imperative that the City of Vaughan examines this issue immediately.

Attachments

none

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