

COUNCIL OCTOBER 18, 2011

**REQUEST FOR NON-BINDING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
WITH RESPECT TO THE VELODROME SPORTS FACILITY
AS PART OF THE TORONTO 2015 PAN/PARAPAN AM GAMES**

Submitted by Mayor Bevilacqua

That Council authorize the submission of a non-binding letter of expression of interest to Toronto 2015 for the location of the velodrome sports facility in Vaughan.

Attachment

1. Letter dated October 12, 2011 from Toronto 2015 Pan/Parapan Am

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His Worship Maurizio Bevilacqua
City of Vaughan
Office of the Mayor
2141 Major Mackenzie Drive
Vaughan, ON L6A 1T1

**Re: Toronto 2015 Pan/Parapan Am Games
Expression of Interest – Cycling Velodrome**

Dear Mayor Bevilacqua,

The Toronto 2015 Pan/Parapan Am Games Organizing Committee (TO2015) is a not-for-profit organization that has been granted the mandate to deliver the Toronto 2015 Games.

Based on a recent decision by the City of Hamilton to limit funding to a proposed permanent velodrome in its community and as a result, not proceed with the project, the velodrome sports facility is the only major 2015 Pan/Parapan Am Games sport venue remaining for site selection.

The velodrome will be an International Sport Federation-approved facility, and will be used for Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games track cycling events, for both competition and training purposes. This permanent four-season velodrome will have a 250-metre track and will serve as the national training centre for Cycle Canada. It will also include a large, versatile infield to allow for a variety of community sport programs. As one of the Games legacy venues, the velodrome will be eligible for an operating subsidy from the TO2015 legacy fund.

TO2015 is requesting expressions of interest from qualified municipalities who possess both the desire and financial ability to locate and build a permanent enclosed velodrome on a suitable site within their communities.

The following outlines the preliminary site criteria that reflect the needs of TO2015 with respect to the velodrome. Municipalities must be able to meet all of the criteria below as part of their expression of interest.

1. The site is owned by the municipality—possibly as part of an existing recreation complex.
2. The site is situated within 60 kilometres of the Pan Am Athletes' Village in Toronto.
3. The site must have a potential building footprint of 300 feet x 400 feet, and a development site of 5 to 6 acres is required.
4. At the sole cost of the municipality, the site must be in a construction-ready state by January 31, 2013. This includes:
 - a. Compliance with official planning and zoning requirements.
 - b. Site fully remediated to Ministry of the Environment regulations.

- c. Applicable environmental assessment completed.
 - d. Adequate services to the property line.
 - e. Demolition and removal of any structures completed.
5. The municipality will commit to provide 44% of capital costs, and TO2015 to provide 56% of capital costs.
 6. The municipality must have the capacity to act quickly with approvals and funding such that a binding agreement can be signed by November 30, 2011.
 7. The municipality must demonstrate legacy value for long-term cycling and community use.
 8. There should be convenient access to public transit.

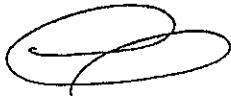
Currently, TO2015's project manager for large infrastructure projects, Infrastructure Ontario, is in the request-for-proposal (RFP) stage for the procurement of a project consortium to deliver on the velodrome along with two other projects. No specific site is noted for the velodrome in the RFP. With TO2015's intent to provide a permanent velodrome as part of its efforts to enhance the legacy of sport infrastructure in the Greater Golden Horseshoe region, a velodrome site must be identified immediately in order to be included in the RFP with Infrastructure Ontario. Hence, the need for interested municipalities to abide by the timeline noted above is crucial.

Municipalities that are committed to this opportunity must submit a letter of interest that identifies both the potential site location and a contact person. **Submissions must be received no later than 11:00am (Eastern Time) on October 20, 2011.** Each submission will be evaluated at the discretion of TO2015 and appropriate communication will be made in due course. Please submit letters of interest to my attention.

Should you require any additional information, please contact me at 416-957-2010 or by email at murray.noble@toronto2015.org.

Thank you for considering this opportunity. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



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