

2018 November 19

To: Mayor Nenshi and Members of Council

From: James McLaughlin, Acting Director, Calgary Recreation

Re: **Response to Administrative Inquiry**
2018 July 30 Council Meeting – Calgary “Event-Ready Infrastructure”
Submitted by Councillor Colley-Urquhart and Councillor Chahal

At the 2018 July 30 Combined Meeting of Council, Councillor Colley-Urquhart and Councillor Chahal submitted an Administrative Inquiry regarding the gaps in “Event-Ready Infrastructure” identified by Tourism Calgary in a 2018 July 27 memo to Council.

In preparation for the One Calgary Operating and Capital Budget discussions, Council requested that Administration consult with key stakeholders on technical deficits, lost business opportunities and options on how the “Event-Ready Infrastructure” gaps may be addressed.

Attachment 1 provides Council with Administration’s response and detailed review of the nine facility gaps identified. As part of Administration’s work, Tourism Calgary was engaged to provide additional information and feedback. In addition, Meetings and Conventions Calgary was invited to participate or add new information.

Two of the nine gaps identified in Tourism Calgary’s original memo may be addressed through items under consideration as part of the One Calgary 2019-2022 Operating and Capital Budget deliberations.

1. The Repsol Sport Centre Legacy Project (Phase 1) business case is included on the One Calgary ***unfunded for information list***.
2. The Multisport Fieldhouse Development business case is on the One Calgary *unfunded for information* list. For a summary of these business cases and how they could address portions of the “Event-Ready Infrastructure” gaps, please refer to Attachment 2.

The remaining gaps may be addressed within the context of a shared Event Strategy (Attachment 3). This work has been initiated by Administration in collaboration with Tourism Calgary and other stakeholders. It is anticipated to be completed during the 2019-2022 business cycle. Administration could report by periodic memo or through the SPC on Community and Protective Services with updates on the Event Strategy beginning as early as Q4 2019. We would also be pleased to meet with members of Council to answer follow up questions and to provide additional information or clarification.

Attachments

1. “Event-Ready Infrastructure” Review
2. One Calgary Capital Budget Deliberations Related to “Event-Ready Infrastructure”
3. Event Strategy