

## Staff Report

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**Report To:** Community Services Committee  
**Report From:** Andy O’Leary, Facilities Booking Coordinator  
**Meeting Date:** December 14, 2022  
**Report Code:** CS-22-150  
**Subject:** Owen Sound Minor Hockey Group 2022 Banner Applications

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### Recommendations:

THAT in consideration of Staff Report CS-22-150 respecting Owen Sound Minor Hockey Group 2022 Banner Applications, the Community Services Committee recommends that City Council approve the applications from Owen Sound Minor Hockey Group outlined in this report.

### Highlights:

- Policy CS82 was created to provide guidelines for the display of championship banners at City recreation facilities.
- Owen Sound Minor Hockey Group is requesting to hang five banners from the 2021-2022 season.
- Council has approved the hoisting of several banners since 2019. These banners in the facility add to the celebration of local sporting excellence in Owen Sound.

### Strategic Plan Alignment:

[Strategic Plan](#) Priority: This report supports the delivery of Core Service

### Previous Report/Authority:

[Policy CS82](#) – Banners at City Recreation Facilities

## Background:

[Policy CS82](#) was created to provide guidelines for the display of championship banners at City recreation facilities.

Since 2019, the Community Services Committee has approved several applications from Owen Sound Minor Sports Groups to display banners in the Julie McArthur Regional Recreation Centre.

## Analysis:

The policy provides banners relating to National or Provincial Championships will be displayed in the North South corridor on the main level of the Bayshore Community Centre while banners relating to regional and local tournaments as well as league championships are to be displayed at the Julie McArthur Regional Recreation Centre.

Per [Policy CS82](#), some of the requested banners are to be displayed at the Bayshore Community Centre. These requests suggest going outside what is stated in the policy and recommend hanging all banners in the Julie McArthur Regional Recreation Centre and keep all organizational banners together.

Applications must outline:

- The organization/group;
- Team;
- Accomplishment; and,
- Size of the banner

An application for each banner requested to be hung is attached to this report.

In summary, the requests include the following:

<b>Group</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Championship</b>	<b>Classification</b>	<b>Size (ft)</b>
Owen Sound Minor Hockey	U10	2021 Regional Silverstick Finalists	Provincial	To be determined
Owen Sound	U15		Provincial	To be determined

<b>Group</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Championship</b>	<b>Classification</b>	<b>Size (ft)</b>
Minor Hockey				
Owen Sound Minor Hockey	U10	2021 International Silverstick Champions	Provincial	3'x6'
Owen Sound Minor Hockey	PeeWee A	2021 OMHA Champions	Provincial	3'x6'
Owen Sound Minor Hockey	PeeWee A	2021 PeeWee International Silverstick Champions	Provincial	3'x6'

Committee will note in the table above that the size of the banners won by the applicants exceeds the size of 2'x4' (2ft wide, 4 feet high) included within the policy. The size of the banners received by teams is out of their control and is decided upon by the tournament's governing body or organization before the event. Further, it should be noted that the Owen Sound Minor Hockey U10 and U15 banner sizing has not been received at this time. It is anticipated that sizing will be similar to the banners already submitted.

Having a new banner made to conform to a smaller size would be an additional cost to the applicants and possibly take away from the pride and satisfaction that groups would have in seeing the banner they won being displayed.

The policy states that National banners will be displayed at the Bayshore in the North/South corridor on the main level, adjacent to the Hall of Fame. While the banners representing Provincial championships will be exhibited in the upper eastern concourse. Banners displayed at the Julie McArthur Regional Recreation Centre will be banners from regional and local tournaments or league champions.

Staff has consulted with each applicant, and they desire to have all banners placed at the same location, the Julie McArthur Regional Recreation Centre, where the teams played most of their games.

Staff has reviewed all applications and recommends that the banners submitted for application be displayed at the Julie McArthur Regional Recreation Centre in a public space deemed appropriate by the Manager of Arena Operations.

Per the policy, the banners would be installed at a time when sufficient work is available for the equipment being used to install the banners safely.

### **Financial Implications:**

The banners will be installed when appropriate equipment is being used for other duties on site, resulting in minimal financial implications. This will likely be coordinated with when a lift will be needed for windows, glass and light maintenance.

### **Communication Strategy:**

Staff proactively communicated with all groups throughout the summer months in preparation for this report. This ensured that all banners were installed simultaneously, resulting in a more efficient process.

Staff will communicate with all applicants to ensure all banners are delivered and prepared for installation before the installation date.

### **Consultation:**

Ryan Gowan, Manager of Arena Operations  
Owen Sound Minor Hockey Group

### **Attachments:**

1. 2022 OSGH – OSMHG Banner Applications

### **Recommended by:**

Andy O’Leary, Facilities Booking Coordinator  
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Pamela Coulter, Director of Community Services

**Submission approved by:**

Tim Simmonds, City Manager

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