

District of Barriere
REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: May 17, 2021	File: 530.20/Rpts
To: Council	From: B. Payette, CAO
Re: Outdoor Rink/Multi-Purpose Resurfacing	

Background: The asphalt surface at the outdoor sport multi-sport facility is in need of resurfacing.

Discussion: The Barriere Outdoors Club has approached staff with a request to have the outdoor multi sports facility re-surfaced. Over the years the asphalt surface has served the community very well both in summer for a variety of sports and in the winter as an outdoor arena for the community. The Community has done a good job keeping the facility maintained with regular maintenance to the surrounding boards, lighting and surface cracks. The surface has far exceeded its lifespan and has become a safety concern. The surface is disintegrating and results in slips, slides and falls: potentially a safety problem for serious injuries.

The Outdoor Club has conducted some preliminary research into a new surface that would see the asphalt covered with a new layer and top-coated with an all-weather sports rubberized paint called Plexipave. This process was completed in Clearwater 10 years ago by the same company and the surface is still in good shape.

The quote received from Tomko Sports out of Vancouver estimates that the repairs would cost approximately \$50,000. Like the upcoming playground updates, the COVID funds could be used to support outdoor sports and recreation, in a safe and socially distanced environment thereby giving families an outlet for activities and exercise.

The Outdoor Club has committed to fundraising and researching grant opportunities to help assist with the costs and any funds raised can be used to offset this expense.

Recommendations: That Council direct staff to proceed with resurfacing the outdoor multipurpose facility utilizing available COVID funding up to \$50,000.

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