

The meeting lasted 1.5 hours and was attended by Ward 5 City Councillors, Bryan Anderson and Don Iveson.

Southwest Recreation Centre

Monique St. Louis of the city of Edmonton Community Services Department provided an update.

- Third reading to approve additional funding for the SWRC will occur in the fall
- There is a preliminary concept for the 4-pad arena but no detailed plans
- Stuart Olson will design the arena and a company by the name of BBB (sorry don't know the name) will construct **[JY: I believe Joanne has this reversed. The design will likely be by the current architects "SHB", with Stuart Olson handling construction.]**
- Piles for the SWRC will start going in at the end of June; 300 piles @ 12 piles/day
- Preliminary design changes have been requested internally, following which will go to the Arena Users Committee for input and then to TRAC for its input
- There will be no recreational ice included in the arena design
- Groundbreaking for the SWRC tentatively planned for June, with no date confirmed
- Provincial Funding/Grant commitment is still unclear; paperwork has been completed by St. Louis; if \$10 million in provincial funding is made available for the SWRC it would go to pay down the \$106.4 cost.
- Arena will include 3 pads with 200 seat potential; 1 pad with 700 seats; 5 dressing rooms per pad at 600 sq. ft. each in size.

Security

Supt. Nigel Stevens of SW Division reported that it has been a quiet spring in the southwest area with no noticeable increase in crime. Springtime usually sees a rise in theft from garages, primarily bikes and golf clubs, and therefore he reminded everyone to be mindful of keeping garage doors closed.

The construction of a southwest police station has now gone forward to a City Council committee. The site for the new station is in the Ambleside area, west of 170 Street and the Anthony Henday.

EFCL

Harold Hornig is the TRAC rep on the EFCL. Harold reported that the EFCL is working with Edmonton Minor Hockey to ensure players are community league members. This is a complex issue as costs vary greatly in each community league, from \$1 to \$40 (RCL). The head of SWAT was at the meeting and provided feedback, noting that SWAT has the highest membership enrolment at 95% of players. Harold will take the feedback to the next EFCL meeting. EFCL is asking the provincial government for funding increases to maintain summer community league programs. With the exception of RCL, most community leagues do not have budgets to subsidize the shortfalls.

TRAC 10K – Sunday May 25, 2008-05-13

Event organizer Dave Rumbold believes registrations will increase over 2007, and the first 250 registrants will receive pedometers. Volunteers are still needed for course marshalling, food prep and service, and set up and take down. Register at the Running Room or on tracspirit.ca and follow the links.