



The Corporation of the Town of LaSalle

To: Mayor and Members of Council

Prepared by: Patti Funaro, Director of Culture and Recreation

Department: Culture and Recreation

Date of Report: June 16, 2025

Report Number: CR-2025-14

Subject: Request from Special Olympics Ontario for facility use at no cost

Recommendation

That the report of the Director of Culture and Recreation dated June 16, 2025(CR-2025-14) regarding the Request from Special Olympics Ontario for facility use at no cost be received;

And that the request for a fee waiver be denied.

Report

Special Olympics Ontario has requested use of the Event Centre at no charge for a pickleball tournament in which Special Olympics Ontario will receive the proceeds.

The Policy for Fee Waiving Related to the Use of Town Facilities (M-CR-007) states that the administrative fees as outlined in the User Fee By-Law (2025-007) shall be imposed for the use of Town Facilities, and that these fees shall not be waived, either in part or in full.

While Special Olympics Ontario is a worthwhile cause, the Town typically has approximately 40 charities, non-profits, and community groups host events on Town property and in Town facilities each year. Each of these charities, non-profits and community groups are worthwhile causes. The Town regularly receives requests to support these events by way of fee waiving, donations, in-kind sponsorships, and sponsor recognition. Supporting every event would have a significant impact on the Town's budget and overall fiscal objectives. Should Council waive the fees for the Special Olympics Ontario pickleball event, there is a risk that the decision may create a demand for similar financial support from other local charitable organizations hosting events at Town facilities. Adherence to the policy will ensure that the Town is fiscally responsible and equitable to all users.

Consultations

none

Financial Implications

Financial implications consist of direct costs associated with facility use (including staff wages and cleaning) that would be absorbed by the Town without corresponding rental revenue.

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Director of Culture & Recreation

Patti Funaro

Link to Strategic Goals

1. Enhancing organizational excellence - Not Applicable
2. Strengthen the community's engagement with the Town - Not Applicable
3. Grow and diversify the local economy - Not Applicable
4. Build on our high-quality of life - Not Applicable
5. Sustaining strong public services and infrastructure - Yes

Communications

n/a

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:



Chief Administrative Officer

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