

Consolidated Community Services Standing Committee Meeting Agenda

Date: Wednesday, May 7, 2025

Time: 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Location: Council Chambers, 1st Floor, Windsor City Hall

All members will have the option of participating in person in Council Chambers or electronically and will be counted towards quorum in accordance with Procedure By-law 98-2011 as amended, which allows for electronic meetings. The minutes will reflect this accordingly. Any delegations have the option to participate in person or electronically.

MEMBERS:

Ward 2 - Councillor Fabio Costante

Ward 3 - Councillor Renaldo Agostino

Ward 4 - Councillor Mark McKenzie

Ward 5 - Councillor Ed Sleiman (Chairperson)

Ward 6 - Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item #	Item Description
1.	CALL TO ORDER

READING OF LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We [I] would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations, which includes the Ojibwa, the Odawa, and the Potawatomi. The City of Windsor honours all First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples and their valuable past and present contributions to this land.

2.	DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF
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3.	ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES <i>(previously distributed)</i>
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| 3.1. | Adoption of the Community Services Standing Committee minutes of its meeting held December 4, 2024 (SCM 389/2024) |
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4.	REQUEST FOR DEFERRALS, REFERRALS OR WITHDRAWALS
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5.	COMMUNICATIONS
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6.	PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS <i>(previously distributed)</i>
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PRESENTATIONS: (10 minutes)

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| 6.1. | Annual Progress Report of the Windsor Essex Regional Community Safety & Well-Being Plan and Next Steps - City Wide (S 61/2025)
a) Michelle Oake, Project Lead, Human & Health Services (in person) (PowerPoint) |
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DELEGATIONS: (5 minutes)

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| 8.2. | Response to CR 433/2023 re: Homelessness Outreach Updates - City Wide (S 63/2025)
a) Bryan Rock, Manager of Community Programs, Family Services Windsor-Essex (in person) |
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7. COMMITTEE MATTERS (*previously distributed*)

- 7.1. Minutes of the Age Friendly Windsor Working Group of its meeting held January 31, 2025 (**SCM 70/2025**)
- 7.2. Minutes of the Windsor Accessibility Advisory Committee of its meeting held March 13, 2025 (**SCM 85/2025**)
- 7.3. Minutes of the Committee of Management for Huron Lodge of its meeting held March 4, 2025 (**SCM 100/2025**)
- 7.4. Minutes of the Windsor Essex Regional Community Safety and Well-Being Plan's Regional Systems Leadership Table of its meeting held December 11, 2024. (**SCM 121/2025**)

8. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- 8.1. Emergency Shelter Winter Planning Update and One Time Funding for Encampment Responses (**S 62/2025**) (*previously distributed*)
- 8.3. Response to Directive on Dog Park Policy - City Wide (**S 45/2025**) (*previously distributed*)
- 8.4. Response to CQ 43- 2024 Barron Bowl Fundraising Update - Ward 2 (**S 25/2025**) (*previously distributed*)
Clerk's Note: Terry Barron, Father of the late Ryan Barron, is providing the **attached** letter dated May 4, 2025, as a written submission.

9. QUESTION PERIOD

10. ADJOURNMENT

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Item 8.4 - Written Submission

May 4, 2025

City Clerk's Office
City of Windsor
350 City Hall Square West
Windsor, ON N9A 6S1

RE: Council Report S 25/2025 – Response to CQ 43-2024 Barron Bowl Fundraising Update (Ward 2)

To Community Services Standing Committee,

I am writing to encourage the Community Services Standing Committee to move to support the conclusion outlined in Council Report S 25/2025 regarding the proposed improvements to the Ryan Barron Memorial Skatepark.

The community's efforts to raise funds for this much-loved recreational space reflects the importance of the skatepark to residents—particularly youth, skaters, and families who rely on accessible, outdoor public spaces for physical activity, social engagement, and creative expression. Recently however, with the pandemic and economic slowdowns, fundraising has been a very difficult challenge. We have unfortunately had to come to terms with the rising costs of the Barron Bowl project and understand that goal has become unrealistic to fundraise for.

As the father of the late Ryan Barron, I am grateful to have had your support to date overall with the park and the re-naming in my son's memory. I commend Mr. Costante and the Parks Department for recognizing the value of the park and continuing to help us improve it. From the welding that has been done to the ramps to the lighting and park benches that have been installed, the attention to the park is appreciated. The adjacent business called the Skate Temple and the Bliss skate shop on Sandwich both benefit from these improvements to their local park along with the skate community that frequents it.

I hope that you will choose to recommend that the City match the funds in the City's account for this project so that you can make much needed upgrades to the park's aging features. By leveraging the Community Partnership funding to add an additional sixty-thousand to the project you will get more features that last longer and an overall more sustainable skatepark design for generations to come.

Warm regards,

Terry Barron