

TO:	CHAIR AND MEMBERS, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING ON NOVEMBER 2, 2011
FROM:	JOHN LUCAS, ACTING DIRECTOR, ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION JOHN WINSTON, GENERAL MANAGER, TOURISM LONDON
SUBJECT:	2013 WORLD FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIP

RECOMMENDATION

That, on the recommendation of the General Manager, Tourism London and the Acting Director, Roads and Transportation, the following actions **BE TAKEN**:

- (a) Civic Administration **BE AUTHORIZED** to proceed with the “Core Initiatives” and “Other Priority Initiatives” as identified in Appendix “B” attached hereto; and
- (b) the financing for this project **BE APPROVED** as set out in the Sources of Financing Report attached hereto as Appendix “A”; It being noted that this includes the additional funding required for the “Core Initiatives” and “Other Priority Initiatives” as listed in Appendix “B” at a total cost of \$2,130,000 (plus GST), it being further noted that 67% of the unfunded “Core Initiatives” and “Other Priority Initiatives” is legacy funding.

PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER

Community and Neighbourhood Committee, September 13, 2011 - 6/15/CNC

BACKGROUND

At its September 19, 2011 meeting City Council resolved:

6. That the following actions be taken with respect to the 2013 World Figure Skating Championships:
- (a) the attached Report, dated September 13, 2011, from the Chief Administrative Officer, with the concurrence of the City Treasurer, Chief Finance Officer, with respect to the next steps for the proposed and requested initiatives associated with the 2013 World Figure Skating Championships **BE APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE**; and,
 - (b) the Civic Administration **BE ASKED** to provide a prioritized list of initiatives, additional details with respect to capital projects and funding sources, as outlined in the above-noted report, to the Finance and Administration Committee meeting of October 19, 2011.

It is our recommendation that all “Core Initiatives” and “Other Priority Initiatives” be approved to complete the total experience for visitors. The “Initiatives” are either completed, no longer recommended or do not require City funding and therefore will not have any serious impact for reasons noted.

The costs in Appendix “B” are classified as:

- (i) “funded”, meaning the costs have been approved in prior years or have been included in the 10-year budget forecasts;
- (ii) “unfunded”, meaning the costs have not been included in any budget.

It should be noted that this report provides cost implications to the extent that they are known at this time. Skate Canada continues to develop the event details along with City and Tourism staff. At this point in the event planning process, the significant cost items have been identified with budget

estimates. It should be noted that the list of projects attached as Appendix "B" were not required as part of the bid process, however, they are being recommended to promote London during the event. The proposed initiatives will assist in conveying a welcoming and memorable experience for the visitors and media in attendance and to position London as a sophisticated and progressive community that exhibits a tangible self confidence in the City's ability to perform admirably on the world stage.

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