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Date: September 28, 2022
To: PACC
From: Cindi Wight, Director
CC: Melissa Cate, Recreation Facilities Superintendent
Subject: Leddy ordinance changes

Recommendations to City Council:

Approve the recommendation to remove Chapter 22-Section 21 of the Burlington Ordinances.

OVERVIEW

In 1973 the City created Chapter 22-Section 21 of the Burlington Ordinances covering rules for Leddy Arena and associated fees. The City updated the section in 1976 (2), 1980 and 1981. Three updates included fee increases and one update that banned smoking in prohibited areas. There has been no further formal update to the section in over forty years. There have been fee increases, but they have not gone through a required City Council process.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommendation is to remove in entirety section 21. Building rules need to be nimble and flexible for change and not require an ordinance change or city resolution. We also need the flexibility to change fees based on budgets, market factors and special events. Rules and fees for buildings do not exist in Chapter 22 or in Appendix D for our other year-round recreation facilities – Miller Community Center and CORE (our 2nd floor space at the Old North End Community Center).

The Parks Commission unanimously approved the removal of section 21 at their 2/8/22 meeting.

CURRENT ORDINANCE

22-21 Burlington Municipal Arena rules and regulations.

- (a) *Prohibited activities.* The following activities are prohibited at the Burlington Municipal Arena:
- (1) Possessing food or beverages on the ice.
 - (2) Possessing alcoholic beverages.



- (3) Being intoxicated.
- (4) Wearing skates in areas other than in those designated for that purpose.
- (5) Playing hockey without proper equipment.
- (6) Loitering.
- (7) Throwing or dropping foreign matter on the ice.
- (8) Bringing pets on to the premises.
- (9) Public skating in a manner other than that prescribed.
- (10) Violation of any applicable general park regulation.
- (11) Smoking in areas where smoking is prohibited pursuant to posted notices.

Violations of these rules are violations of city ordinances and may result in prosecution or eviction from the premises or both.

(b) *Fees and charges, olympic rink.* During prime time, the rental rate shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00) per hour. Prime time hours shall be noon until 10:00 p.m. on weekdays and holidays. All other hours shall be at the rate of forty dollars (\$40.00) per hour.

(c) *Fees and charges, studio rink.* During prime time, the rental rate shall be thirty dollars (\$30.00) per hour. Prime time hours shall be 3:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. on weekends and holidays. All other hours shall be at the rate of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per hour. Studio rink rates are available only when the main rink is in use.

(d) *Fees and charges, public skating.* The admission price for public skating shall be one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) for adults and one dollar (\$1.00) for persons seventeen (17) years of age and under, upon proof of age and high school students bearing identification cards. Burlington residents' rates may be discounted twenty (20) per cent.

(e) *Fees and charges, patch time.* The rental of patch ice time shall be two dollars (\$2.00) per hour.

(f) *Fees and charges, special note.* Special rates for programs outside the aforementioned may be assessed by the board of park commissioners commensurate with the costs of rendering special services.