



**The Corporation of the
City of Sault Ste. Marie**

COUNCIL REPORT

October 14, 2025

TO: Mayor Matthew Shoemaker and Members of City Council
AUTHOR: Virginia McLeod, Manager of Recreation and Culture
DEPARTMENT: Community Development and Enterprise Services
RE: Financial Assistance for National Sports Competition –
Mixed Curling Team 2025

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval for an application under the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee's Financial Assistance Program for National/ International Sports Competitions.

Background

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee's Financial Assistance Program for National/International Sports Competitions is a program endorsed by City Council to support local athletes, including teams and individuals who excel at their given sport on the national or international level. The program has a set of criteria by which applications are assessed, and specific levels of financial assistance are governed. City Council gives final approval to all applications.

Analysis

Charlie Robert submitted a financial assistance application for a mixed curling team comprised of Charlie Robert, Alissa Begin, Chris Glibota, and Megan St. Amand. The team will attend the Canadian Mixed Curling Championships held November 1 to 9, 2025, in Assiniboia, Saskatchewan. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee reviewed the application at their meeting on September 9, 2025, and found that it meets the criteria of the Financial Assistance Policy. The following resolution was passed:

Resolved that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee endorse the application by curlers Charlie Robert, Alissa Begin, Chris Glibota, and Megan St. Amand to receive assistance to attend the 2025 Canadian Mixed Curling Championships from November 1 to 9, 2025, in the maximum amount currently eligible under the policy.

Financial Implications

The City's Operating Budget provides an annual amount to fund the Financial Assistance for National/International Sports Competition Program. The budget for 2025 is \$5,000 and can accommodate the \$600 request.

Strategic Plan / Policy Impact / Climate Impact

This is an operational matter not articulated in the strategic plan.

Recommendation

It is therefore recommended that Council take the following action:

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Recreation and Culture dated October 14, 2025, concerning Financial Assistance for National Sports Competition – Mixed Curling Team 2025 be received and that a grant in the maximum amount currently eligible under the policy (\$600) to team representative Charlie Robert be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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