



MEMO

To: Council
From: Daniel Gagnon
Date: February 23, 2023
Subject: Day Camp Programs

During budget deliberations in 2022, Council cancelled the municipal day camp program. This was done for a number of reasons many of which remain in 2023 (ie. lack of qualified staff at an appropriate age to run the program, competing with the private sector, redundancy with the city paying the ADSAB levy for day care programs, cost to run the program vs the community's ability to pay, risk and liability concerns).

That said, many members of the new Council have expressed a concern over the cancellation of this program. In light of that, I believe it would be beneficial for this Council to direct administration to review the issues surrounding the day camp program at an appropriate venue in the near future. Likely the 2023 ad hoc budget committee or a standing committee. A motion to that effect would be appropriate so this Council can review and deliberate and direct administration accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Gagnon