

MEMO

To: **Mayor and Council**
From: **Bill Goulding, Acting Manager of Public Works**
Date: **February 23, 2023**
Subject: **Ruben Yli-Juuti Aquatics Centre**

Further to a memo presented to the Recreation and Culture Standing Committee on February 6, 2023, Staff would like to advise Council that it has been able to put together a design team for the pending repairs to the Ruben Yli-Juuti Aquatics Centre, and that an approach to condense the project schedule moving forward is being put into action.

In general, staff recommends that the project commences in three phases moving forward, each with their own competitive procurement process being put in place and each with their design work being done in parallel - but with the actual construction work for each phase occurring sequentially.

Through the course of preliminary design, it's become apparent that it would be beneficial to refinish the wood ceiling in the main pool area in advance of commencing repair work to the pool shell and plumbing. Staff has tasked Tulloch Engineering to prepare a scope of work and to administer a competitive tender process for this phase of the project, and that work is underway. The intent is for the work for this first phase to occur in the Spring of 2023.

The second phase of the project is comprised of the removal of the pool deck and any associated demolition required to affect repairs moving forward. This work would not require the use of specialized pool contractors. Again, Staff has asked Tulloch Engineering to prepare a scope of work for this phase of the project and to administer a tender process to secure a contractor. The intent is for this phase of the project to occur in late spring / early summer 2023.

The third phase of the project involves reinstating the required plumbing for the pool shell, reinstating the pool deck, and installing new finishes and fixtures for the pool shell and deck. This work would require the use of specialty pool contractors, and the intent is to have this work commence as soon as demolition is complete or when the specialty vendors required are soonest available. Staff has engaged with a design team to begin the design process for this phase and is moving forward with preparing the required documentation and design.

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