

# Terry Conners Rink

## FY 2019-20 Fiscal Committee Budget Presentation





# ***Introduction***

**Mission: Terry Conners Ice Rink provides Stamford and the surrounding area with a quality skating facility in a clean safe environment maintaining one of the best ice surfaces in the state at reasonable rates.**

<b>Programs</b>	<b>Services Provided</b>
Critical & Mandated	None mandated, but all critical to maintain programs, services and revenue targets.
Learn to Skate and Summer Camp	Residents enjoy continuous sign up and multiple sibling discounts for both of these programs
Public , Freestyle and Open Hockey Sessions	Ice time to enjoy recreational skating , figure skating or hockey playing
Summer Men's League	A recreational summer men's league



# ***Department Management***

## ***Key Program/Department Challenges***

- Include factors that drive program / department costs  
Minimum Wage, maintenance needs , increased energy costs
- Include factors that might impact productivity  
Loss of any full time or seasonal staff , more local ice rinks

## ***Budget Scenarios***

- What budget line items can you control  
Supplies . This includes supplies needed for rink run programs and camps, equipment and tools for the rink and cleaning supplies and equipment.
- If additional funding could be realized how would department services be expanded or enriched?  
With one ice surface there isn't currently any program that could be expanded w/ extra funding. Much needed repairs on aging equipment could take place.
- In the event of significant budget reductions describe the impact the reduction would have?  
Would reduce amount of ice available for rink programs ,sessions and potentially customer ice if reductions included reduced staffing. All would result in lower revenue intake.



# ***This is what is coming***

## ***Major changes planned for the department***

- Include new or improved services (or processes) the department will provide to citizens or to other City departments or personnel

The rink is in the closing stages of ADA improvements both in and around the rink to offer easier access to rooms and areas throughout the rink.

- Describe what management is doing or could do to reduce department costs or reduce/eliminate services that are no longer critical

Room temperatures and other equipment is adjusted seasonally to reduce electric/gas costs.

Usage of ice is constantly monitored to reduce staffing needs where possible.

- What investments, increased spending, or other changes could you make this year that would have a long term positive impact?

Marketing , adding a second rink to current location



# ***Accomplishments***

- Despite being surrounded by ice rinks TCR continues to thrive by meeting and exceeding it's enrollment in it's Learn to Skate and Summer Camp programs. 1,025 kid in lessons, 428 summer campers.
- Hosted an annual Synchronized Skating Competition featuring 3 local teams that call TCR home along with 80 other teams from up and down the east coast.
- Exceeded revenue expectations FY over FY by \$20K
- Hosted a girls state hockey tournament
- Hosted the Connecticut Whale of the National Women's Hockey League for a second consecutive season. Avg. attendance per game of 400.
- Through a Stamford resident created a Learn to Play Hockey program for Waterside School for 50 to 60 children.
- Provide ice time for three local high school hockey programs
- Host the Big Dogs Saturdays during public session in the winter. The Big Dogs are a local Special Olympics skating group of 40 participants/12 volunteers.

# Stamford Youth Hockey





Learn to Skate Program

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THE MAYOR  
THE PARK COMMISSION  
THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
AND NATURAL RESOURCES

*invite you to be present at the dedication  
of the*

TERRY CONNERS ICE SKATING RINK  
IN COVE ISLAND PARK

*on Sunday, the Fourth of November  
nineteen hundred and seventy-three  
at two p.m.*

Invitation Limited  
to Two Persons  
Ticket Enclosed