Presentation to Harbour East Marine Drive Community Council

Gerald B. Gray Arena

10 Monique Avenue, Dartmouth January 11, 2018



Serving a new purpose

Council Motion June 20, 2017

That Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Categorize the Gray Arena as "Community Interest" under Administrative Order 50 and undertake the disposal process for the property;
- 2. Operate the Gray Arena for the 2017/18 prime season and adjust the rental rate to be consistent with the rates at Cole Harbour Place, should the arena be required pursuant to decisions regarding construction timelines at Cole Harbour Place, as outlined in the staff report dated June 9, 2017;

Setting within the neighbourhood



The closest stakeholders/neighbours?



Scale of the Existing Structure



How will the <u>NEW</u> connect with the <u>OLD</u>?



The Stakeholders – 1st pass

- Monique Avenue
- Leaman Drive (northern portion)
- John McNeil School (students & programs)
- Residents in adjacent apartment complexes
- Protection Services (efficient circulation/access)
- Other Municipal divisions (Parks, Roads, etc.)
- Potential users of the new facility
- Regional interests vs local interests

Extent of Community Engagement

- Council's directive for the Gray
- What is the thinking so far?
- Describe engagement process for other arenas
- > Is there staff support/report for engagement?
- What departments are involved?
- What is the timeline? Is this urgent?
- > Are there other associated issues
- Future methods to connect with stakeholders
- > How can we develop this into a greater good?

or

Remain quiet and Council will tell you what is right for you

Contiguous:

Pinehill Lookoff Park → John McNeil

→ Boardwalk → Albro Lake Beach



Golden Opportunity to get it right



- Communicate with stakeholders
- Cordially invite the community to the January 30th tour of the Gray
- Discuss this matter among yourselves
- > Talk it over with Planning & Development
- > Talk it over with the 'rest of us'
- Treat us like you would like to be treated
- We are not the enemy, we are residents & taxpayers
- Let's plan together

Thank you



