

CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

- **FROM:** The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** December 09, 2024
- **SUBJECT:** Authorize purchase of six commercial treadmills for the NRH Centre from Risher Fitness Equipment in the amount of \$90,711.32 utilizing Buy Board Contract No. 665-22. Purchase is budgeted in the adopted FY2024-2025 capital budget and funded by NRH Centre reserves.

PRESENTER: Adrien Pekurney, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUMMARY:

This item is for the purchase of commercial fitness equipment to replace six Life Fitness treadmills with Woodway Treadmills at the NRH Centre. Items will be purchased through Buy Board Contract No. 665-22 with Risher Fitness Equipment.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The NRH Centre's FY2024/25 adopted capital equipment budget includes funding for replacement of identified Life Fitness treadmills with Woodway treadmills for the NRH Centre.

Since opening the facility in April 2012, the NRH Centre annually commits to providing members and guests with high-quality, up-to-date, commercial-grade fitness equipment, and maintains a regular preventative maintenance program, which has reduced the frequency of equipment downtime, repair costs and full replacement. In the twelve years of operating, the NRH Centre continues to experience growth in membership and day pass use. In the most recent fiscal year, concluding in September 2024, the NRH Centre generated over \$1.51 million in memberships and day passes from these use categories alone. This level of consistent high-volume equipment utilization from a total of 268,565 membership scans for the year helps staff assess and determine the long-range equipment replacement plan for each item in the inventory.

Given that the NRH Centre is a cost recovery facility including personal membership options and day passes, it is critical the facility maintains quality and up-to-date fitness equipment. Incorporated into operations when the facility opened in 2012, the NRH Centre's internal annual fitness equipment replacement plan reviews and prioritizes the replacement of equipment based on usage hours, age of equipment and ratio of equipment failure and increased repair costs. During budget preparation for FY2024 - 2025, staff reviewed the equipment replacement plan and identified Life Fitness treadmills as the priority item for replacement.



The current fleet of Life Fitness treadmills are in their fourth year of operation. Due to the high volume of usage and limitations on repair and replacement parts, staff has identified Woodway treadmills as a replacement for the current Life Fitness treadmills. The Woodway treadmill utilizes a Slat Belt Technology designed to offer the following advantages:

- Durability- the slat belt system is designed to last longer without requiring frequent replacement, unlike traditional treadmills.
- Joint protection- The cushioned running surface significantly reduces impact on knees, hips, and back.
- Lower maintenance cost- with fewer moving parts and durable design there is much less frequent maintenance required.
- Performance- performance-oriented features such as the two Ridge Runner models offer up to 35% elevation range for high-intensity workouts.
- Longevity and investment value- slightly higher upfront cost, but increased longevity (anticipate 7-10 year lifespan) and lower maintenance costs make them a better long-term investment in the high-usage commercial setting of the NRH Centre.

The FY2024 - 2025 purchase will replace six of the 14 treadmills in the NRH Centre fleet. Staff will evaluate the usage and get member feedback on the Woodway treadmills as evaluation continues for future replacement of the remainder of the treadmill fleet.

Through the Buy Board cooperative purchasing program, staff obtained a quote from Risher Fitness Equipment for the purchase of treadmills in the amount of \$91,711.32. The amount includes four Front Slat Belt Treadmills and two Ridge Runner Slat Belt Treadmills. Risher Fitness Equipment is an approved vendor through Buy Board purchasing contract and staff have had quality service and support experiences with Woodway representatives at the NRH Centre from past equipment purchased.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize purchase of six commercial treadmills for the NRH Centre from Risher Fitness Equipment in the amount of \$90,711.32 utilizing Buy Board Contract No. 665-22.