

# Staff Report

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Meeting Date: August 11, 2025

Subject: Southampton Tennis Club Agreement

Attachment(s): Scope of Work

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## **Recommendation**

That Council adopt By-law 77-2025, a By-law to authorize a (2) two-year Funding Agreement between the Town of Saugeen Shores and the Southampton Tennis Club.

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## **Report Summary**

The purpose of this report is to provide Council an opportunity to review the scope of work for municipal investment in facility improvements at the Southampton Tennis Club. The report outlines a summary of the scope of work, and recommends an agreement be executed between the Town of Saugeen Shores and the Southampton Tennis Club to authorize the Town's contribution of \$50,000 in 2025, and \$50,000 in 2026. The agreement and authorizing By-law are included in the By-laws section of the Council agenda.

## **Background/Analysis**

The Southampton Tennis Club is a longstanding community institution that provides recreational opportunities for residents and visitors alike. In recent years, the Club's executive committee has identified a pressing need for facility upgrades to enhance safety, accessibility, and the overall user experience. Recognizing the broader community value of these improvements, the Club included a formal funding request to Council in the 2025 Business Plan where \$50,000 per year was approved over two years.

The entire project is valued at \$343,368.00 with the remainder of the project funding raised by the Southampton Tennis Club. The proposed improvements are expected to address aging infrastructure, ensure compliance with current accessibility standards, and increase the Club's capacity to host a variety of community-oriented events and programming.

It is recommended that the Funding Agreement be executed based on the following:

- The scope of work (attached) must be reviewed and approved by the municipality to ensure alignment with public accessibility standards and community priorities.

- Municipal funds must be applied exclusively to those components of the project that enhance facilities accessible to the public. This condition ensures that taxpayer dollars support broad community benefit.
- A formal funding agreement must be executed, articulating the terms and conditions of municipal support, including the restrictions above and any additional reporting or accountability mechanisms deemed appropriate by the Municipality.
- Council's approval is contingent on the project providing public benefit.

The Southampton Tennis Club's facility improvement project represents a meaningful investment in the community's recreational infrastructure.

### **Linkages**

- Strategic Plan Alignment: Pillar 4: Fostering a Vibrant Place to Live and Visit
- Business Plan Alignment: Community Services Business as Usual

### **Financial Impacts/Source of Funding**

Cost associated with this program are contained within the existing budget.

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