

Central Park Arena

The proposed ice arena for Central Park would be positioned to minimize the displacement of existing amenities in the park while allowing for a future expansion of a second ice surface. The first ice surface would require that at least one baseball diamond be eliminated from the current park layout in order to accommodate additional parking and service areas around the arena. A second ice surface may require the displacement of additional baseball diamonds, however the eventual construction of a second ice surface may allow for adequate planning and development of other parklands.

The intent would be to operate the new arena as a year round ice facility. This would allow the Eddie Bush Memorial Arena to be operated as an ice arena through the winter season, and evolve towards other uses in the off season. A consideration may be that the new arena would operate more efficiently throughout the year than the existing facility.

The new arena may also be used for other special events such as concerts or trade shows and other assembly purposes and should be designed to allow for such use from both occupancy and functional points of view.

Design Components

- Full size 85' X 200' ice rink complete with premium dasher boards and glass all around
- Six (6) players dressing rooms facing directly to the ice surface (showers/toilets/sinks)
- Two (2) referees rooms (male/female) – minimum for eight (8) referees each (showers/toilets/sinks)
- First Aid room (shower/toilet/sink)
- Minimum of 250 spectator seats
- Ice resurfacers room and mechanical and electrical rooms
- Large service door with direct access to the ice surface
- Music and media rooms with ice view
- Ice level warm viewing area/lobby
- Resilient flooring for all ice level areas
- Manager's office
- Staff locker/lunch room
- Hockey office
- Figure skating office
- Arena concession and vending area
- Pro shop
- Accessible/family washrooms
- Janitorial closets
- Storage rooms
- Second floor mezzanine
- Elevator to second floor
- Second floor lounge area
- Second floor kitchen and bar service rooms
- Complete sound system serving all areas of facility
- HVAC system for entire facility
- Energy efficient lighting and electrical equipment including occupancy controlled switching
- Efficient non-touch plumbing fixtures and components