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## **Late Night Swimming Coming to Heron Park Outdoor Pool**

Toronto, ON – Today, City Councillor Paul W. Ainslie moved a motion at the Economic and Community Development Committee to install better lighting at the Heron Park outdoor to accommodate extended swimming hours.

Located at 292 Manse Rd, Scarborough, Heron Park Outdoor Pool currently closes at 8:00 p.m., not allowing for public night swimming. "The outdoor pool is very popular with the surrounding community of single-family homes, high-rises, and townhouses," stated Councillor Ainslie. "We need to do a much better job accommodating residents with facilities within walking distance of their homes, especially during summer heat waves."

"Currently residents have to travel almost thirty minutes by public transit or a two-hour walk to their only option." continued Councillor Ainslie. "Addressing this community need by adding better lighting will allow for night swimming which will be a huge benefit the southeast Scarborough community." added Councillor Ainslie.

The request was supported unanimously at the Economic and Development Committee and will be considered at the October 11, City Council meeting. <u>EC6.8 - Heron Park Outdoor Pool Late Night Swimming and Extended Hours.</u>

Councillor Ainslie will continue his work to ensure the improvement of existing city assets meets the needs of the local community.

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