

# 10-Year Arena Capital Development Strategy 2009 – 2019



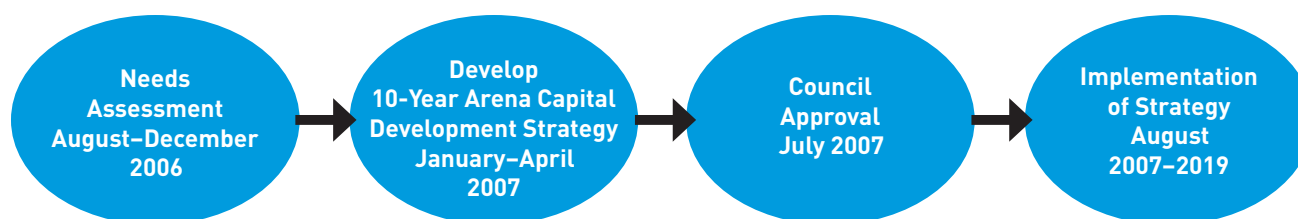
## Creating Vibrant Places

Ice sports have helped define Canadian culture. Hockey, in particular, is known around the world as a made-in-Canada experience, and internationally, Canadian hockey teams have dominated competition.

Edmonton's arenas help make our city an enjoyable place to play year-round! The pursuit of sport provides valuable experiences in perseverance, dedication, sportsmanship and team play. Being active, including leisure skating opportunities, helps keep Edmontonians active and fit. Arenas also serve as a "community hub," bringing people together in a welcoming and vibrant setting where they can build relationships, meet friends and have fun.

In 2004, City Council approved a 10-Year Recreation Facility Master Plan, outlining the facilities and priorities for Edmonton's neighbourhoods. In July 2007, City Council approved the 10-Year Arena Capital Development Strategy. The Strategy provides an analysis of existing arenas and defines community priorities for future arenas with a citywide perspective that considers the total inventory and demands.

## The 10-Year Arena Capital Development Strategy



The Strategy provides a game plan for the future – to help the City of Edmonton continue to provide quality arena experiences for its citizens, and to meet the needs of our city's growing population. Many of the City of Edmonton arenas were built in the 1960s and 1970s – so there are some arenas that have reached the end of their infrastructure lifespan. Trends in on-ice activities also point to the growing need for more leisure ice in interesting settings that are conducive to recreational skating.

The Strategy identifies arenas that should be maintained as they are today, opportunities to expand single arenas to include two ice pads, and finally, those arenas that should be closed. In cases where arenas are identified for closure, two things will happen: first, a new facility will be built in the same geographic area to replace the closing arena; and second, a process will be undertaken with the community to identify community need for the facility and the land it occupies.

## Basic Design Standards

The City of Edmonton will strive to incorporate basic design standards that address functionality, demand capacity, physical conditions, accessibility and support services. These standards include items like number of dressing rooms, seating, referee rooms, warm-up area and accessibility requirements to name a few. Further details on design standards can be found in the 10-Year Arena Capital Development Strategy.

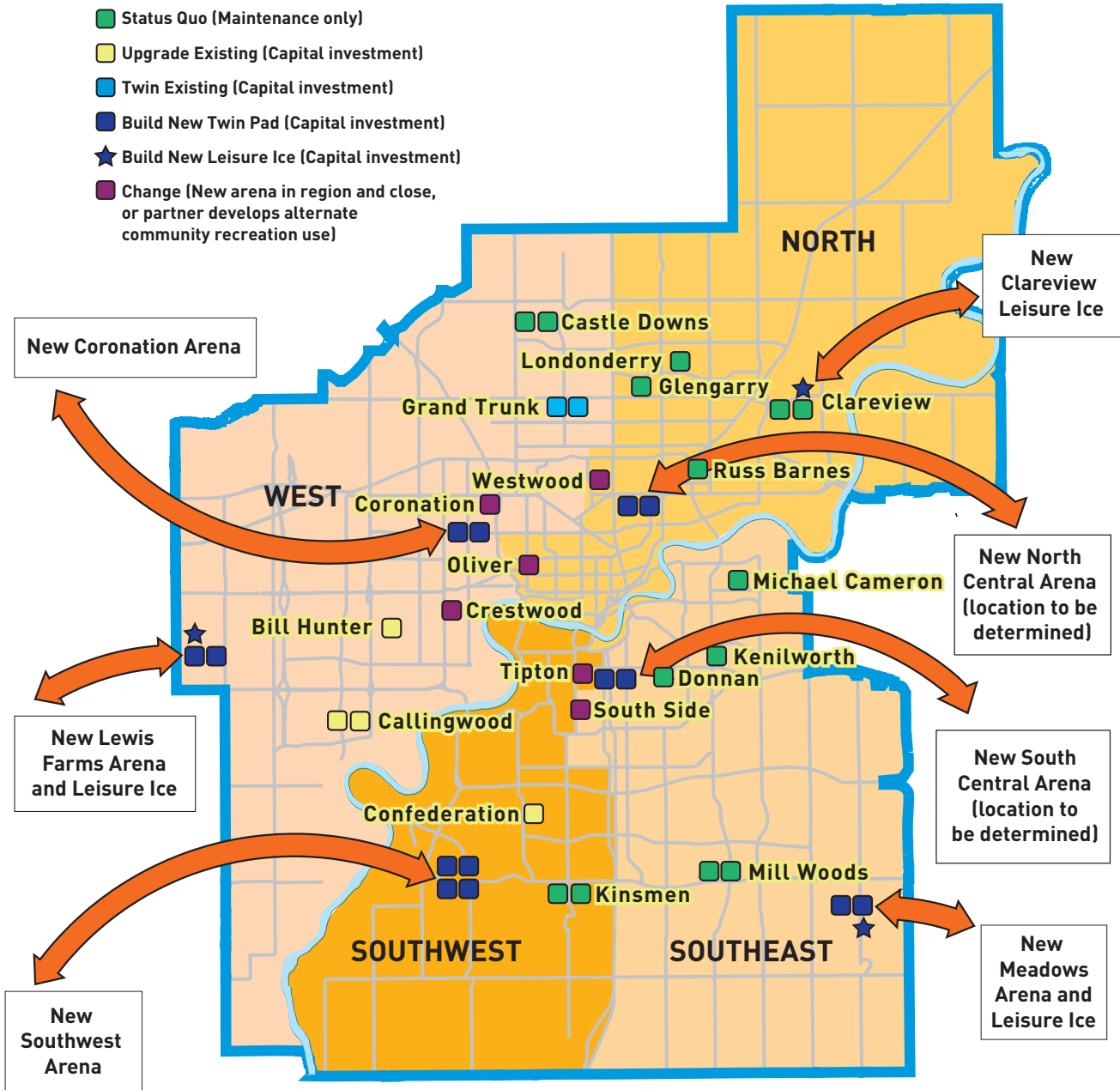
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Inventory of Ice Arenas	West	North	Southwest	Southeast
Now – Total 25	Now 8	Now 7	Now 4	Now 6
Future – Total 34	Future 11	Future 7	Future 7	Future 9
Net – Total +9 *	Net +3	Net 0	Net +3	Net +3
*Does not include New Leisure Ice				

## Legend

Each square represents a single sheet of ice.

- Status Quo (Maintenance only)
- Upgrade Existing (Capital investment)
- Twin Existing (Capital investment)
- Build New Twin Pad (Capital investment)
- ★ Build New Leisure Ice (Capital investment)
- Change (New arena in region and close, or partner develops alternate community recreation use)





## Plans by Arena

### New North Central Twin Arena

#### Develop new North Central Twin Arena that includes:

- Two NHL indoor rinks. Both rinks shall accommodate sledge hockey and tournament play.
- Consider seating capacity of 1,800 to 2,200 at this facility or new South Central Twin Arena to enhance tournament play and small scale performances and events.

Oliver Arena and Westwood Arena to close and enter change process.

### Clareview Twin Arena

- Addition of leisure ice surface with entertaining features and skate rental kiosk.
- Status quo (maintenance only).
- Arena to be reassessed in 10 years to determine capital requirements.

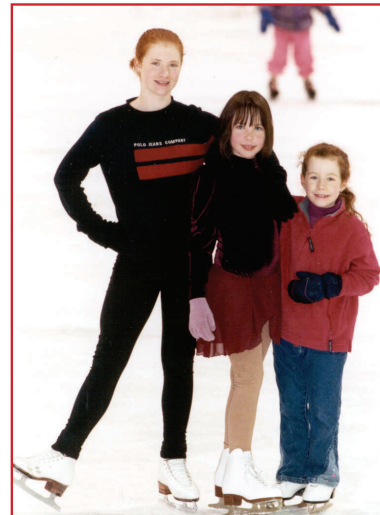


### Glengarry Arena

- Status quo (maintenance only).
- Arena to be reassessed in 10 years to determine capital requirements.

### Russ Barnes Arena

- Status quo (maintenance only).
- Arena to be reassessed in 10 years to determine capital requirements.



### New Coronation Twin Arena

#### Develop new Coronation Twin Arena that includes:

- Two NHL indoor rinks.

Coronation Arena to be demolished and returned to parkland.

Crestwood Arena to close and enter change process.

### New Lewis Farms Twin Arena and Leisure Ice

#### Develop a new Lewis Farms Twin Arena and Leisure Ice with Multi-Purpose Recreation Centre that includes:

- Two NHL indoor rinks.
- Leisure ice that is free form in design and intended for informal and recreational use with entertaining features and skate rental kiosk.

### Grand Trunk Arena

#### Twin and upgrade/redevelop the Grand Trunk Arena

- Addition of one ice pad.
- Redevelopment of existing ice pad to achieve basic design standards.

## Plans by Arena

### Castle Downs Twin Arena

- Status quo (maintenance only).
- Arena to be reassessed in 10 years to determine capital requirements.

### Callingwood Twin Arena

#### Upgrade of Callingwood Twin Arena that includes:

- Mechanical system and structural upgrades.
- Rehabilitation and building upgrades to achieve basic design standards.

### Confederation Arena

#### Upgrade of Confederation Arena that includes:

- Mechanical system and structural upgrades.
- Rehabilitation and building upgrades to achieve basic design standards.

### Kinsmen Twin Arena

- Status quo (maintenance only).
- Arena to be reassessed in 10 years to determine capital requirements.

### New South Central Twin Arena

#### Develop new South Central Twin Arena that includes:

- Two NHL indoor rinks.
  - Consider seating capacity of 1,800 to 2,200 at this facility or new North Central Twin Arena to enhance tournament play and small scale performances and events, with hotel accommodations nearby.
- Tipton Arena and South Side Arena to close and enter change process.

### New Meadows Twin Arena and Leisure Ice

#### Develop a new Meadows Twin Arena and Leisure Ice with Multi-Purpose Recreation Centre that includes:

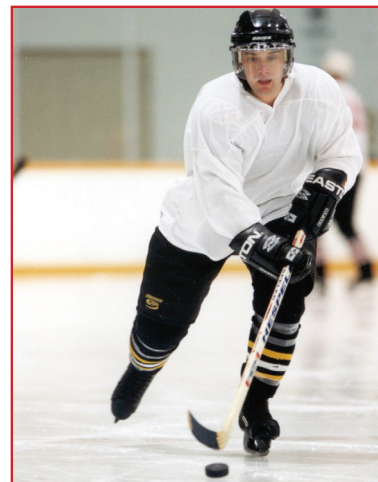
- Two NHL indoor rinks.
- Leisure ice that is free form in design and intended for informal and recreational use with entertaining features and skate rental kiosk.

### Donnan Arena

- Status quo (maintenance only).
- Arena to be reassessed in 10 years to determine capital requirements.

### Michael Cameron Arena

- Status quo (maintenance only).
- Arena to be reassessed in 10 years to determine capital requirements.



## Funding the Strategy

Funds for arena capital development will be identified as a Capital Priorities Project in the long range financial plan for City Council consideration. The City of Edmonton will explore all sources of funding, including existing and new provincial and federal funding, for all recreation facility development.

## Change Process

As facilities reach the end of their lifecycle they will close and enter into the change process. Change will include replacement with new arena in the same region and closure of old arena.

### The change process will involve:

- Consultation with the community and identification of recreation needs on parkland.
- The City will explore partnership opportunities where the situation suggests a community need for an alternate recreation facility, the physical condition warrants alternate use, and a viable partnership exists to develop this alternate use. If there is no identified need for the facility or no viable partnership exists to develop this alternate use, then it will be demolished and the land returned to parkland.
- Examine options and develop proposed plan for change and partnership opportunities.
- Consultation with community and stakeholders regarding proposed plan.

## Partners

The City of Edmonton will work cooperatively and collaboratively with third party organizations to enhance recreation facility services that provide recreation opportunities to the citizens of Edmonton and benefits to the community. These partnerships may include facility capital development, operations, maintenance or programming.

Where community expectations extend beyond City of Edmonton planned service levels, or where proposals are presented to provide improved service levels or innovative recreation opportunities, the City will require a partner. Opportunities will be assessed to determine the City's share of the costs, risks and benefits based on recreation opportunities and benefits to the community and citizens.



## Next Steps

Priority	Project
Short Term Priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upgrade Callingwood Arena.</li> <li>• New North Central Twin Arena (Oliver Arena and Westwood Arena to close and go through identified change process).</li> <li>• New Coronation Twin Arena (demolition of existing Coronation Arena; Crestwood Arena to close and go through identified change process).</li> <li>• Upgrade Confederation Arena.</li> <li>• Addition of Leisure Ice to Clareview Twin Arena.</li> </ul>
Medium Term Priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New South Central Twin Arena (South Side Arena and Tipton Arena to close and go through identified change process).</li> <li>• New Meadows Twin Arena and Leisure Ice with Multi-Purpose Recreation Centre.</li> <li>• New Lewis Farms Twin Arena and Leisure Ice with Multi-Purpose Recreation Centre.</li> <li>• Twin and upgrade Grand Trunk Arena.</li> <li>• Maintenance of Russ Barnes Arena.</li> <li>• Maintenance of Glengarry Arena.</li> <li>• Maintenance of Donnan Arena.</li> <li>• Maintenance of Michael Cameron Arena.</li> </ul>
Long Term Priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintenance of Castle Downs Twin Arena.</li> <li>• Maintenance of Clareview Twin Arena.</li> <li>• Maintenance of Kinsmen Twin Arena.</li> </ul>

For more information, please call (780) 944-0020.

## Additional Resources

- **10-Year Arena Capital Development Strategy**  
The complete 10-Year Arena Capital Development Strategy is available online at [www.edmonton.ca/FutureRecreationPlans](http://www.edmonton.ca/FutureRecreationPlans).
- **Medium Term Recreation Facility and Sports Field Plan**  
The complete Medium Term Recreation Facility and Sports Field Plan is available online at [www.edmonton.ca/FutureRecreationPlans](http://www.edmonton.ca/FutureRecreationPlans).
- **Recreation Facility Master Plan**  
You can purchase the complete Recreation Facility Master Plan for \$6.25 by phoning the City of Edmonton, Community Services Department at (780) 496-4999. The plan is available free of charge online at [www.edmonton.ca](http://www.edmonton.ca) and enter the search words "Recreation Facility Master Plan."
- **Urban Parks Management Plan**  
The plan is available online at [www.edmonton.ca](http://www.edmonton.ca) and enter the search words "Urban Parks Management Plan."
- **Working in Partnership with the City of Edmonton – A Guide for Capital Development in Public Recreation Facilities**  
If you are interested in partnering with the City of Edmonton to develop a new facility or redevelop an existing facility, please call (780) 944-0020 for more information.





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