

Backgrounder- Cindy Klassen Recreation Complex

Facility Re-Naming

In recognition of the achievements of the Winnipeg Athletes at the 2006 Torino Olympic Games, Winnipeg City Council approved the re-naming of:

- The Sargent Park Recreation Complex to the Cindy Klassen Recreation Complex.
- The new indoor track in the Cindy Klassen Recreation Complex to the Olympian Indoor Track.

New look, A New Name, A One-of-a-Kind Recreation & Leisure Facility

The newly renovated and expanded Cindy Klassen Recreation Complex, a one-of-a-kind recreation and leisure facility in Winnipeg is home to:

- A 30,000 square feet (3,000 square metres) addition to the facility on two levels.
- A new 133 metre Olympian Indoor track on the second floor complete with fitness and weight room areas.
- A new West End Library with over 6,000 square feet (600 square metres) of accessible space, a collection of 30,000 items, increased computer workstations, new furnishings, shared meeting space.
- An enhanced customer friendly lobby with access to all amenities and including an elevator.
- An air-lock entry way system (entrance doors).
- Two program classrooms on the main floor.
- Upgraded life-safety systems in the existing building, including fire protection sprinklers, fire alarm improvements and emergency lighting.
- Upgraded air conditioning and lighting control system in the existing building.
- A 50 metre indoor swimming pool with diving facilities.
- The Susan Auch Speed Skating Oval.
- A spectator viewing area: (North to the Susan Auch Speed Skating Oval; South to the pool).
- A timing office and announcers box with a view to the outside oval track.
- A lawn bowling lawn and multi-purpose lounge.
- A concession area with seating.

Site Improvements

- Six new tennis courts east of the existing indoor hockey arena.
- Additional parking by the indoor pool and the new tennis courts.
- Landscaped entrance plaza and drop-off zone.
- Enhanced accessibility.

Project Costs

Overall cost \$8.8 million:

- Canada-Manitoba Infrastructure Program (CMIP) - \$2.348 million.
- Manitoba-Winnipeg Recreation and Leisure Infrastructure Program (RLIP) - \$2.262 million.
- Winnipeg Partnership Agreement (WPA) - \$1.6 million.
- Other City Funds \$2.59 million.