



City Councillor St. Norbert – Seine River

April 24, 2024

South Winnipeg Community Centre Board

Dear Board Members;

I hope this letter finds you well.

I am writing to bring to your attention concerns regarding the operations of the Silverstone Arena under the direct supervision of the South Winnipeg Community Centre Board. Over the past few months, Councillor Lukes and I have heard growing whispers and rumblings regarding potential irregularities in financial disclosure to the Board and possible human resource issues leading to operational inefficiencies and resulting in multiple union grievances.

We understand things were a bit chaotic with a board and staff change – almost 2.5 years ago, but we are still receiving complaints.

As a member of the community deeply invested in the well-being and transparency of our facilities, I feel it is imperative that we address these concerns promptly and thoroughly. Therefore, after careful consideration and consultation with fellow community members, I propose that an independent audit of the operations of the Silverstone Arena be conducted.

**The purpose of this audit would be to:**

1. Examine the financial records and disclosures pertaining to the Silverstone Arena to ensure transparency and compliance with established procedures.
2. Investigate any potential irregularities or discrepancies in financial reporting to the Board.
3. Assess human resource management practices within the arena, including staffing, training, and communication, to identify any issues contributing to operational inefficiencies.

I firmly believe that an audit conducted by the City of Winnipeg Auditor will provide us with the clarity and insight needed to address any concerns and ensure that the operations of the Silverstone Arena are aligned with the values and objectives of the Board

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City Councillor for St. Norbert – Seine River  
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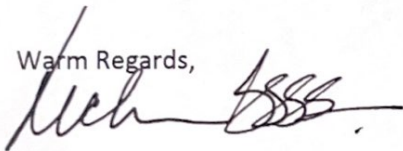
I understand that undertaking such an audit requires time, resources, and coordination. However, I am confident that the benefits of a comprehensive review far outweigh the initial investment. By proactively addressing these concerns, we demonstrate our commitment to transparency, accountability, and the well-being of our community.

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I kindly request that the Board consider my proposal and initiate the necessary steps to commission an independent audit of the Silverstone Arena operations at the earliest convenience. I am more than willing to assist in any way possible to facilitate this process and ensure its success.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to your response and to working together to uphold the integrity and excellence of our Community Centre.

Warm Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Markus Chambers', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Markus Chambers  
A/Deputy Mayor City of Winnipeg  
City Councillor / St. Norbert Seine River Ward  
Chair, Winnipeg Police Board

CC: Janice Lukes – ***Deputy Mayor Councillor Waverley West Ward***