## **Braemar Park Masterplan and Arena Infrastructure Project**

This project is a capital improvement masterplan project (\$8.1M) and a capital improvement rehabilitation project (\$13.5M) for arena infrastructure. Those requests were included and authorized during the 2021 MN Legislative Session. New request is to utilize an additional portion of Edina's remaining local option sales tax capacity (\$31.7M) to expand the Braemar Ice Arena.

At 500 acres, Braemar Park is the largest recreational space in the City of Edina. It is home to Braemar Golf Course, Braemar Golf Dome, Braemar Arena, Braemar Sports Dome and Field, and Courtney Fields. Improvements to the park includes improving the connectivity of trail systems, access, and wayfinding to park amenities and facilities; providing separated use trail systems to accommodate walkers, mountain bikers and cross-country skiers; identifying new site improvements and recreational amenities to enhance existing facilities; developing and improving the quality of natural resources in the park; incorporating sustainable site improvements to promote land water resources; and investing in facility infrastructure are goals of the masterplan. The Parks & Recreation amenities at Braemar Arena are available for use by residents, business community members and school programs.

Braemar Park capital improvement masterplan projects include:

- ADA access routes
- New playground facility
- Courtney Field safety netting and seating improvements
- Improved circulation
- Seating and field lighting improvements
- Oak Woodland and Savanna restoration

- Prairie and Oak Woodland establishment
- Wetland restoration
- Pickleball and Platform Tennis
- Winter ski trails
- Mountain bike trail system

Braemar Arena is home to Edina High School, the Edina Hockey Association, Breakaway Academy, and the Braemar-City of Lakes Figure Skating Club. Braemar Arena is one of the busiest ice arenas in the entire state; approximately 500,000 annual visits are recorded there from residents of 158 Minnesota communities, 12 states and one other country.

Braemar Arena capital improvement rehabilitation projects include:

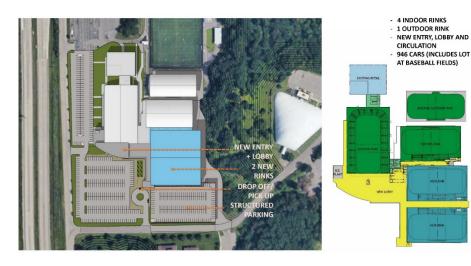
- Dasher board and glass safety system replacements
- Flooring replacements

- Ice Refrigeration system and delivery replacements
- Heat and boiler replacements for all rinks
- Electrical system replacements for all rinks
- Window and roofing replacements and repairs
- Hot water system replacements
- Domestic water distribution system replacements
- Sanitary system and fixture replacements
- Locker room rehabilitation

- Restroom rehabilitation
- Permafrost removal in east rink
- Energy efficiency improvements and insulation
- ADA route and walkway improvements
- ADA door and access improvements
- ADA restroom improvements
- ADA viewing and seating improvements
- Waterproofing and moisture control
- Fire protection and security improvement

## Braemar Arena capital improvement expansion project:

Under the initial plans, one sheet of ice would be demolished, and two new sheets would be constructed, along with a covered walkway to the existing West rink and a parking deck. The building lobby would be expanded, as would the drive lane, a safety drop-off area and outdoor programming space. Due to the growth in youth hockey ice demand is ever increasing. Roughly half of purchased Edina Hockey Association ice time is secured outside of Braemar Arena. This expansion would have little to no impact on surrounding communities.



## Local Option Sales Tax Funding

Braemar Park Master Plan \$8.1M (previously authorized)
Braemar Arena Infrastructure \$13.5M (previously authorized)

Braemar Arena Expansion \$31.7M (new request)

Braemar Park and Arena Request \$53.3M

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