

Arena studies now available

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Penticton –The studies that detail the costs to repair the Memorial and McLaren Arenas or build new are now available for the community to review. The studies have been published at shapeyourcitypenticton.ca in preparation for the Open House today at the Penticton Trade & Convention Centre between 4 pm and 8 pm.

“Many of the people that we have spoken to have been waiting for this level of detail before forming an opinion on what to do about Memorial Arena,” says Stewart Ladyman, Chair of the Arena Task Force. “The ink is barely dry on a few of the studies but we felt it was important to get the information out as early as possible.”

Timing is tight for the Arena Task Force as they work to prepare a recommendation for Council in advance of the July 30 deadline for a grant that could secure up to \$6 million towards the future of Penticton’s arenas. Residents are asked to review the studies and complete a [feedback form](#) to share their preferences with the Task Force. The Task Force will share their recommendation with Council at a special meeting on July 25.

At shapeyourcitypenticton.ca, residents will find:

- [Memorial and McLaren Feasibility Study](#)
- [Memorial and McLaren Options Summary](#)
- [Memorial and McLaren Costs Summary](#)
- [Memorial Arena Condition of Piles Study](#)
- [New Multi Use Arena Feasibility Study](#)

The findings are summarized below. Details of what is in the scope of each option and the costs are available in the studies.

Memorial Arena

Option	Description	Life	Cost
A	Base Building - Perform life safety / maintenance upgrades and keep operational.	10+ years	\$5.1M
B	Upgrade - In addition to A, includes upgrades to change rooms and lobby. Some upgrades to major systems.	20+ years	\$8.9M
C	Modernize - In addition to A and B, modernize all building systems and expand the ice surface to regulation size (\$1.8M).	40+ years	\$17.5M
D	Dry Surface – Perform life safety / maintenance upgrades and keep building operational. Remove refrigeration.	10+ years	\$4.3M

McLaren Arena

Option	Description	Life	Cost
A	Base Building - Perform life safety / maintenance upgrades and keep building operational.	10+ years	\$1.2M
B	Modernize - In addition to A, includes upgrades to change rooms and lobby. Modernization of major systems. Equal to new.	40+ years	\$5.1M
C	Dry Surface – Perform life safety / maintenance upgrades and keep building operational. Remove refrigeration.	10+ years	\$771,000

New Multi-Use Arena

Option	Description	Life	Cost
A	Single Surface - Build multi-use arena facility adjacent to SOEC with single regulation-size surface and option to double in the future.	50+ years	\$18.2M
B	Twin Surface – Build multi-use facility adjacent to SOEC with twin regulation-size surface and option to double in the future.	50+ years	\$28.6M

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