## Arena users support

Members of the Acton Arena Users Committee want architectural plans and public input on the proposed replacement arena to proceed without delay.

Gordon Chapman, an Acton lawyer and member of the Users Committee, was scheduled to address a committee meeting of town council Monday night recommending that the town hire an architect for the project and

approve the development of architectural drawings. In a letter to the town clerk's department, he also suggested that plans for public meetings can also proceed even while town officials try to work out environmental concerns which arose this fall with one of the candidate sites in East Acton.

Plans for the project were virtually put on hold a couple of months ago when it was suggested that

wetlands protected by provincial legislation might be located on the East Acton site. The town is also considering a site in the town's north end and at Prospect Park.

According to Chapman's letter. "Neither Acton East nor Acton North, which are the only viable sites, will create any significant constraints which would prevent us from proceeding with (hiring an

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"Because of the owner's past record, I'm really reluctant to approve this," Councillor Serjeantson remarked. Commenting on future possibilities for the site after rezoning is achieved, she said, "I'm really concerned about what will be put there in place of what is already there."

Councillors Gerald Rennie and Norm Elliott suggested that rejection of the rezoning application could result in the town losing control over the operation. Rennie said council would be "abdicating responsibility" if it denied the application and the OMB was called upon to make a final decision on the matter.

"I feel we should be in the driver's seat," Elliott said before recommending that the staff recommendation be reworded so that the only dissenting votes.

councillors would be assured that the proposed structure for the Monarch property will be fully enclosed. "The recommendation is appropriate, but only with some assurances," he concluded.

Councillor Gail Rutherford asked Keith if a one-week deferral would help staff come up with more precise wording for the recommendation. When Keith said he would be "more comfortable" with that than trying to re-arrange the wording during the course of Monday's meeting, Rutherford proposed the deferral motion.

"A deferral is critical," Elliott remarked. "Most of us want to make an educated decision on this item," he added.

Council voted for the deferral with Cook and Serjeantson casting

## **Active enforcement of** parking ban to start

Active enforcement of a new onstreet parking prohibition will begin in Halton Hills on the first day of 1993. The parking ban,

which was recommended to assist with snowplowing efforts during the winter months, will be enforced between 2 a.m. and 7 a.m. until April 15, 1993.

Next year will mark the first full year of the parking ban, which will run from November 15 to April 15.

In a report prepared for Monday night's committee meeting of town council, town clerk Janet Lunni Stewart recommended that residents be advised of the winter parking ban through a newspaper advertisement. It was also suggested that the same advertisement be placed in the 1993 fall/winter edition of the town's Recreation and Parks brochure.



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