

## **BEST FOR KIDS TRANSIT PILOT PROGRAM**

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**WHEREAS** it is the objective of The Best For Kids Committee “to encourage and promote the City of Sault Ste. Marie’s efforts to put children first”; and

**WHEREAS** it is the Committee’s vision “that Sault Ste. Marie will be a community that puts children first by understanding and investing in healthy childhood development to improve outcomes for all children”; and

**WHEREAS** the City and the Committee are committed to fostering a community that has an extraordinary quality of life for children and their families; and

**WHEREAS** the City of Sault Ste. Marie has many opportunities for children to be involved in recreational activities such as the Splash Pad, the Pump Track, the Manzo Pool, the Greco Pool, and the Skateboard Park; and

**WHEREAS** all of these recreational opportunities are important in the development of healthy children and their quality of life; and

**WHEREAS** it may be difficult for some children to access any of these recreational opportunities because of lack of transportation or its affordability;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Community Development and Enterprise Services be requested to investigate the feasibility of a pilot project to run from June 27, 2020 to September 6, 2020, whereby Transit Services would provide free bus rides on weekends to all children and their parents who would like to attend any of the recreational facilities listed above and report back to Council.