WINTER WALKING TRAILS

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WHEREAS many Sault Ste. Marie residents travel to warmer climates during the winter months in order to escape the cold weather and be able to maintain a healthy active outdoor lifestyle; and

WHEREAS the COVID-19 travel restrictions on border crossings and requirements to quarantine on return to Canada have resulted in many snowbirds' travel plans being disrupted this coming winter; and

WHEREAS it is in the City's interest to encourage and promote healthy outdoor lifestyles for all of its residents, and to offer exceptional services in these exceptional times;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize staff to allocate \$33,500 from the Winter Maintenance Reserve in order to create safe, maintained walking trails at Strathclair Park and at Elliot Park (in addition to those already in place at Clergue Park and Bellevue Park) for the enjoyment of all Sault residents this winter on a one-time basis.