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## Statement on the Atlantic City Skate Zone

**April 27th, 2023**– The SJAC was pleased to hear that the City of Atlantic City has committed to keeping the Skate Zone open until the facility is razed/demolished/bulldozed as part of the redevelopment of Bader Field.

Now is the time to partner with the SJAC to focus on the development of an upgraded facility to replace the Skate Zone and adequately serve the greater Atlantic City region in terms of ice sports and other athletic training and wellness needs.

While it is a relief to know that the Skate Zone will remain operational until redevelopment begins, however long that may be, there is not a clear plan to replace the Skate Zone. In fact, it has been stated that a replacement facility may not be quite as large as the existing facility.

We can do better as a region, and we should do better. With an upgraded facility we can increase participation in youth ice sports, provide indoor venues for roller and street hockey, and support training for lacrosse, soccer, field hockey, and wellness.

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