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**City Council**

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**Motion without Notice**

MM38.16	ACTION			Ward: 30
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**Donation of a Natural Playground from ING Direct to Parks, Forestry and Recreation - by Councillor Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Bussin**

- Notice of this Motion has not been given.*
- A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice.*
- This Motion is subject to referral to the Parks and Environment Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*
- This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

**Recommendations**

Councillor Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Bussin, recommends that:

1. City Council accept an in-kind donation from ING Direct, valued at \$300,000 CDN, for the development of a new natural playground located at McCleary Playground.
2. The General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation be authorized to enter into an agreement with ING Direct and Bienenstock Natural Playgrounds for the development of the natural playground on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**Summary**

ING DIRECT is embarking on a new project to extend its community involvement with the creation of "Orange in the Community", an initiative that is made possible by the hands-on support of ING DIRECT's own employees.

On June 11, 2009, ING Direct, in partnership with Bienenstock Natural Playgrounds, offered to donate a natural playground at McCleary Playground Park. Over 500 Toronto based ING DIRECT employees will spend a weekday in August 2009 building the first natural playground for children in Toronto in the first "Orange in the Community" project in Canada.

Funds exist in the 2009 State of Good Repair Water Play Capital Budget to prepare the site to accommodate the donor's requirements. There will be no direct financial impact as a result of this Agreement.

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