Member Motion

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM41.8	ACTION			Ward: All
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Elimination of Blue Jay Ticket Purchases for Councillors - by Councillor Heaps, seconded by Councillor Walker

Recommendations

Councillor Heaps, seconded by Councillor Walker, recommends that:

1. Council direct the City Clerk's Office, effective December 1, 2009, to advise Rogers Centre and the Toronto Blue Jays Baseball Club that the City of Toronto will not be purchasing the Blue Jays home game tickets for Suite 311 for the 2010 baseball season.

Summary

The current arrangement between the City of Toronto and Rogers Centre/Toronto Blue Jays Baseball Club is for the lease of Suite 311 for \$1 for the term of the lease and agreement to purchase 16 season tickets for all home games of the Toronto Blue Jays. The cost savings of the elimination of this purchase over the last three years will be in excess of \$285,000.00. In 2007, the cost to the City of Toronto was:

Blue Jays season tickets \$86,028.50 Hostess \$9,300.00 **Total:** \$95,328.50

Under the arrangement, the City pays for an entire season of box-seat tickets for every home game and then assigns them to individual councillor offices through a lottery system.

(Submitted to City Council on October 26 and 27, 2009 as MM41.8)

^{*} Notice of this Motion has been given.

^{*} This Motion is subject to referral to the Executive Committee. A two thirds vote is required to waive referral.