

TO: Councillor Paula Fletcher, Chair, Parks and Environment Committee

FROM: Councillor Ron Moeser

RE: Parks and Environment Committee Decision (Item PE26.7) – “Parkland Acquisition Process and Implications for Surplus School Sites”

Summary:

At the Parks and Environment Committee meeting of October 15, 2009, I submitted a Member Motion related to the parkland acquisition process and implications for surplus school sites. The decision document from that committee meeting can be found at the following link (item PE26.7):

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/pe/decisions/2009-10-15-pe26-dd.htm>

Additionally, the Government Management Committee, at its meeting of November 9, 2009 had before it item GM26.28, involving a report from the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer entitled, “Delegated Authority to Purchase or Lease Surplus School Board Properties.”

The Committee requested the City Manager to submit a report to City Council for its meeting of November 30, December 1 and 2. Council’s decision on this can be found at the following link (items GM26.28 and GM26.28a):

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/cc/decisions/2009-11-30-cc42-dd.htm>.

As the City Manager and Deputy City Manager – Cluster A will be reporting back to the Executive Committee on a strategy to acquire surplus school board properties to address the needs of local communities and neighbourhoods (see recommendation #11 within the City Council link, above), it will no longer be necessary for the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to report back separately to the Parks and Environment Committee on this matter.

I am therefore recommending that the Committee rescind the Parks and Environment Committee’s request for the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to report back on this matter as it is already being addressed by the City Manager and Deputy City Manager – Cluster A.

Councillor Ron Moeser

