

**City Council****Notice of Motion**

<b>MM8.22</b>	<b>ACTION</b>			Ward: 13
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**Authorization to Release Section 37 Funding to Support Capital Upgrades to the Fife House at 9 Huntley Street - by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, seconded by Councillor Mike Layton**

*\* 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.*

**Recommendations**

Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, seconded by Councillor Mike Layton, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the Approved 2019 Capital Budget for Shelter, Support and Housing Administration, Account CHS045-01, by \$105,000.00 gross, \$0 net, fully funded by Section 37 (Planning Act Reserve Funds) community benefits from 387-403 Bloor Street East and 28 Selby Street (Source Account: XR3026-3700896) for the purpose of providing funds to Fife House Foundation Inc. for capital improvements to 9 Huntley Street.
2. City Council authorize the Executive Director, Housing Secretariat to provide \$105,000 from the Section 37 (Planning Act Reserve Funds), referred to in Part 1 above, to Fife House Foundation Inc.

**Summary**

The City is working with Fife House Foundation Inc. (Fife House), a non-profit organization providing safe housing for individuals living with HIV/AIDS, to acquire and renovate the property at 9 Huntley Street for the purpose of creating new transitional housing.

Fife House, an internationally recognized leader in HIV/AIDS supportive housing initiatives, was originally founded by a group of concerned community members. Led by Mary Anne Shaw, they were inspired by the story of George Fife, a local lawyer who lost his struggle with AIDS. This group recognized the urgent need in Toronto for supportive housing for people living with HIV/AIDS. On February 10, 1988, they established Fife House as a charitable organization to begin to fill this need.

Today Fife House provides 80 percent of the supportive housing and support services to people living with HIV/AIDS in Toronto. The Fife House model of service delivery now spans the full spectrum of housing options including, but not limited to, residential programs, rent subsidy programs, homeless outreach, transitional housing and support for those aging with HIV. Fife

House is set to establish a transitional housing program in a City of Toronto property at 9 Huntley Street.

The organization has entered into a 20-year lease agreement with the City of Toronto, with a mandate to provide transitional housing to 20 people for 9 to 18 month periods. Program clients will be people who are in emergency shelters or accessing the emergency shelter system. Their program will provide clients with integrated housing support, intensive case management and a clinical team focused on individualized service and care planning. Fife House has partnered with the City of Toronto Shelter, Support and Housing Administration Division, among other partners, for operational funding. Funding for the acquisition and renovation is comprised of a combination of Federal, Provincial and City funding, along with fundraising efforts by Fife House.

Additional funding is required for capital improvements to the property. The roof at 9 Huntley is a slate roof, over 25 years old, has failing shingles and is in need of replacement. There is significant repair and replacement work needed for the exterior wood windows, trim and door frames soffit and fascia. There is protective paint work that needs to be done, siding on the south end of the building's 1988 addition that must be replaced, and waterproofing repair and/or replacement to the east side foundation of the original building and possibly 1998 addition. The estimate for the proposed work is \$105,000.00

Authority is being sought to increase the Approved 2019 Capital Budget for Shelter, Support and Housing Administration by \$105,000 gross, \$0 net, fully funded by Section 37 community benefits to provide one-time funding for capital improvements to Fife House to supplement fundraising efforts for the 9 Huntley Street renovation.

Sufficient Section 37 funds to fulfill this Motion have been secured and received by the City from the development at 387-403 Bloor Street East and 28 Selby Street for the purposes of capital improvements of existing or the creation of new community and/or cultural space in the Ward.

### **Background Information (City Council)**

Member Motion MM8.22