

City Council**Notice of Motion**

MM24.2	ACTION			Ward:All
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Improving the Safety of Toronto's Stormwater Retention and Detention Ponds - by Councillor Michelle Berardinetti, seconded by Councillor Peter Milczyn

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

Recommendations

Councillor Michelle Berardinetti, seconded by Councillor Peter Milczyn, recommends that:

1. City Council request the General Manager, Toronto Water to study the safety of Toronto's retention and detention ponds and report to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee with recommendations aimed at improving safety.
2. City Council request the General Manager, Toronto Water to amend the City's Stormwater management policy so that it includes:
 - a. where and when fencing should be installed around retention and detention ponds; and
 - b. a requirement to include footpaths when retention and detention ponds are designed and built.
3. City Council request the General Manager, Toronto Water to review the need for footpaths at existing retention and detention ponds.

Summary

Toronto's current retention and detention pond policy does not detail when fencing should, or should not be installed.

It also makes no mention of how and when footpaths should be included in the pond's design.

This Motion requests staff to review the safety of existing retention and detention ponds and asks staff to develop a policy that addresses when fencing should be installed.

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Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM24.2