TORONTO Member Motion

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM26.13	ACTION			Ward:All

Supporting the StopGap Ramp Initiative - by Councillor James Pasternak, seconded by Councillor Adam Vaughan

**** 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 James Pasternak, seconded by Councillor Adam Vaughan, recommends that:

1. City Council request the City Manager to submit a report to the Disability Issues Committee on how the StopGap initiative can be supported by the City of Toronto and incorporated into the City's implementation of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act.

Summary

The StopGap ramp initiative is a Toronto-based program that provides free, non-permanent ramps to business with one-step-up-entries which would otherwise exclude people who require no-step entries from accessing their services. StopGap's work brings attention to the many barriers that exist for people with disabilities. By using brightly coloured ramps, the need for accessible spaces in our communities stands out. The group has received support from The Home Depot which provided materials and volunteer labour.

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