

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM36.13	ACTION			Ward:20
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Release of Section 37 Funds, 103 - 111 Bathurst Street, for Capital Improvements to Factory Theatre, 125 Bathurst Street - by Councillor Adam Vaughan, 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 Adam Vaughan, seconded by Councillor Mike Layton, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the approved 2013 Operating Budget for Non-Program by \$50,000.00 gross, \$0 net, fully funded by Section 37 funds received from the development at 103-111 Bathurst Street, (source account 220096), to be forwarded to Factory Theatre, for the purposes of capital improvements to the Factory Theatre building at 125 Bathurst Street.
2. City Council direct that the funds be forwarded to Factory Theatre upon the signing by Factory Theatre of an Undertaking governing the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements.

Summary

The City of Toronto has received a Section 37 payment of \$50,000 from the development at 103-111 Bathurst Street for the purposes of capital improvements to Factory Theatre. The development, including the Section 37 benefits of which this payment was one component, was approved by the Ontario Municipal Board in May, 2013.

Factory Theatre is a non-profit theatre company housed at 125 Bathurst Street in a heritage building containing two theatres, neither of which is accessible. The objectives of the capital improvements are to provide full accessibility to both theatres as well as improved facilities for the artists. The total cost of the Phase 1 renovations is \$853,950. Factory Theatre is raising \$491,950 for this renovation project, including this \$50,000 in Section 37 funds, and the Ontario Trillium Foundation is providing a grant of \$362,000. Phase 1 of the capital improvements is set to begin June 1, 2013 and be completed by October 31, 2013, in time for the November opening. Phase 1 includes improvements to the lobby, consolidation of the box office at grade and new entrances to both the main and studio theatres, with an entrance from the courtyard, an elevator to the main stage level, and renovated, accessible washrooms at the

main stage level.

Phase 2 of the project is hoped for in future and will include renovations to the studio theatre including new washrooms, an accessible washroom, bar area, and backstage improvements including green room/dressing rooms, but is not funded at this point in time.

Factory Theatre has received approval for the alterations under Section 33 of the Ontario Heritage Act. The \$50,000 will be forwarded to Factory Theatre once an Undertaking is signed governing the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements.

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Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM36.13