

City Council**Motion without Notice**

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Programming in Toronto Community Housing Dwellings - Request to Waive Parking Fees - by Councillor Paul Ainslie, seconded by Councillor Frances Nunziata

** This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

** This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

Recommendations

Councillor Paul Ainslie, seconded by Councillor Frances Nunziata, recommends that:

1. City Council request Toronto Community Housing to waive parking fees for community organizations, who provide programming in Toronto Community Housing buildings, and provide them with parking passes.

Summary

A number of community organizations and outreach groups provide necessary programming at Toronto Community Housing dwellings across the City of Toronto. These programs nurture and support the community children of all ages from pre-school into their teenage years. The organizations who provide the programming are groups well known and accredited by the City, many also rent space in our City owned facilities.

Providers who serve our residents have been asked to pay for parking at the Toronto Community Housing buildings. This added expense has been a strain on all organizations budget, as they struggle to provide essential programming to educate and guide our children.

This added fee has deterred organizations to enhance and increase their programming as the parking fees have reached \$3000.00 per annum or more. Parking fees for community organizations recognized by the City of Toronto should be waived. The City of Toronto, through Toronto Community Housing, should not be charging program providers for parking fees in lieu of increased programming.

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Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM45.29

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2013/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-65197.pdf>)