Notice of Motion

MM51.19 ACTION Ward:All

Integrity of Decommissioned City of Toronto Street Signs - by Councillor Paula Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Janet Davis

* 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 Paula Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Janet Davis, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the City Manager to ensure that no additional City of Toronto signs to be sold in the auction are signed by any person prior to sale, without the City Manager's approval.

Summary
Many residents were very excited at the prospect of purchasing decommissioned City of Toronto street signs, which are heritage pieces. When the auction began, some signs were "autographed" by the Mayor.

These signs are being purchased for the historical and local significance, and there is strong demand for the signs. Many enthusiasts would prefer not to purchase a sign that is signed by anyone, as it defaces the sign and reduces its value.

Should a resident prefer an "autographed" sign, they can approach the individual directly rather than have a number of signs autographed in advance which immediately lowers the pool of bidders for the sign.

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Background Information (City Council)
Member Motion MM51.19