Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds to the Toronto Catholic District School Board towards playground facilities at St. Edward Catholic School, 1 Botham Road - by Councillor John Filion, seconded by Councillor Joe Mihevc

* Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice.
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Executive Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.
* This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.

Recommendations
Councillor John Filion, seconded by Councillor Joe Mihevc, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the approved 2014 Operating Budget for Non-Program by $100,000 gross, $0 net, fully funded by Section 37 community benefits obtained in the development of 9 and 15 Bales Avenue, and 34 and 44 Avondale Avenue (Source Account: XR3026-3700450) for the purpose of forwarding funds to the Toronto Catholic District School Board for capital improvements to playground facilities located at St. Edward Catholic School, 1 Botham Road.

2. City Council direct that the $100,000.00 be forwarded to the Toronto Catholic District School Board upon the signing of an Undertaking by the Toronto Catholic District School Board governing the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements.

Summary
The funds are to be utilized to pay fifty per cent of the cost of a new playground in Ward 23 close to the North York Centre, which would be located on the property of the newly constructed St. Edward Catholic School but would be used by both students and children in the surrounding community. Section 37 funds in the amount of $291,915.00 plus accrued interest have been secured and received in the development at 9 and 15 Bales Avenue, 34 and 44 Avondale Avenue.

The use of these funds for the purpose described above meets the Section 37 criteria contained
in the North York Centre Plan. It is proposed that $100,000 of the funds be used for the playground with the balance remaining in a City account to be used for purposes to be specified at a later time.

Playground installation is scheduled for completion this summer in order not to disrupt school programming. It is therefore urgent that the City's share of the funding be confirmed this month.

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**Background Information (City Council)**

Member Motion MM52.27