City Council

Notice of Motion

MM54.5	ACTION			Ward:28
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Release of Section 37 Funds for the Detailed Design and Construction Drawings for the Modification of the Traffic Ramps exiting from the Frederick G. Gardiner Expressway at York Street, Bay Street and Yonge Street - by Councillor Pam McConnell, seconded by Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong

Recommendations

Councillor Pam McConnell, seconded by Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the approved 2014 Capital Budget for Transportation Services by \$1,000,000 gross, \$0 net, fully funded by the Section 37 funds secured in the development at 90 Harbour Street and 1 York Street (source account: XR3026-3700491), to fund the procurement of detailed design and construction drawings for the modification of the traffic ramps exiting from the Frederick G. Gardiner Expressway at York Street, Bay Street and Yonge Street.

Summary

At its August 25, 26 and 27, 2010 meeting, City Council approved the York/Bay/Interchange Reconfiguration- Municipal Class Environmental Assessment. The recommended design will reconfigure the eastbound off-ramps to a single shorter direct off-ramp to Harbour Street at Lower Simcoe Street. The shorter ramp will allow exiting motorists to turn right or left from Harbour Street to Lower Simcoe Street, York Street, Bay Street, and Yonge Street. These modifications will maintain acceptable traffic conditions and improve traffic mobility within the area while freeing up road space, sidewalks and open space to enable improvements to the public realm. In particular, the reconfiguration will allow for an improved design and use of 'York Off-Ramp Park', which currently sits under a circular off-ramp.

Section 37 funds were secured in the development at 90 Harbour Street and 1 York Street in the amount of \$10,000,000.00 to be applied by the City for the modification of the traffic ramps exiting from the Frederick G. Gardiner Expressway at York Street, Bay Street and Yonge Street. Presently, the indexed sum of \$5,010,506.58 has been received towards the funding of the ramp modifications. The balance of \$5,000,000.00 is to be paid at the time the construction tender is ready to be awarded, or first building occupancy, whichever is earlier.

^{*} 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.

Engineering and Construction Services Division are prepared to begin the procurement of detailed design and construction drawings for the ramp modifications, to be funded from Section 37 funds.

(Submitted to City Council on July 8 and 9, 2014 as MM54.5)

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM54.5