

**City Council****Motion without Notice**

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**Request to Accept \$100,000 of Donated Funds from Rotary Club of Scarborough for a new Splash Pad at Thomson Park - by Councillor Glenn De Baeremaeker, Seconded by Councillor Justin Di Ciano**

*\* 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 Glenn De Baeremaeker, seconded by Councillor Justin Di Ciano, recommends that:

- 1..City Council accept the donation of \$100,000 from the Rotary Club of Scarborough for the purposes of adding the additional enhancements to the Thomson Memorial Park Wading Pool Conversion Project.
2. City Council authorize the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to enter into an agreement with Rotary Club of Scarborough in compliance with the Donations to the City of Toronto for Community Benefits Policy to spend the donated funds for the Thomson Memorial Park Water Play Project on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation, and in a form and content satisfactory to the City Solicitor.
3. City Council amend the 2015 Parks, Forestry and Recreation Capital Budget to increase the project cost for the "Thomson Memorial Park Wading Pool Conversion Project" from \$500,000 to \$600,000 to include the proposed enhancements and that funds be cash flowed in 2015.

**Summary**

As part of the 2014 Parks, Forestry and Recreation Capital Budget, City Council approved the project titled "Thomson Memorial Park Wading Pool Conversion" (commonly referred to as the Thomson Memorial Park Water Play Project), with a total project cost of \$500,000 with a cash flow of \$50,000 in 2014 and \$450,000 in 2015. Project design began in 2014 and completion is expected in the fall of 2015. Groundbreaking in Thomson Memorial Park is scheduled to take place in August 2015. This project will provide additional recreational play opportunities for children of all ages including ground level water features (directional jets, fountain sprays and a water dome); above ground spray themed features; and other interactive elements. Funding for this project has been included in the 2015 Approved Capital Plan. Once completed, the operating cost for park and amenity maintenance is estimated to be an additional

\$60,000 per year.

In addition to the funding approved by City Council, the Rotary Club of Scarborough has proposed additional funding of \$100,000 for the purposes of adding an additional feature known as the "Water Journey" and providing additional landscaping and seating. All proposed additional work will be undertaken by Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

**Background Information (City Council)**

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(July 8, 2015) Fiscal Impact Statement from the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2015/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-82117.pdf>