

City Council**Motion without Notice**

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Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds for Capital Improvements to the Swansea Town Hall Community Centre - by Councillor Sarah Doucette, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam

** 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 Sarah Doucette, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the Association of Community Centre's approved 2015 Operating Budget for the Swansea Town Hall Community Centre by \$107,210.73, \$0 net, fully funded by Section 37 community benefits related to the development at 2464, 2474, 2490 Bloor Street West - 1 Old Mill Road) (\$106,232.49 from source account: XR3026-3700524) and at 2500 Bloor Street West - 2 Old Mill Dr. (\$53,256.30 from source account XR3026-3700605) for capital improvements pertaining to enhanced accessibility, rental space, additional energy saving retrofits and to complete flooring replacement.

Summary

Authority is being sought to increase the Association of Community Centre's approved 2015 Operating Budget for the Swansea Town Hall Community Centre by \$107,210.73 gross, \$0 net, fully funded by Section 37 community benefits, for capital improvements pertaining to enhanced accessibility, rental space, additional energy saving retrofit and to complete flooring replacement.

The development at 2464, 2474, 2490, and 2500 Bloor Street West (1 Old Mill Road and 2 Old Mill Road) secured Section 37 agreements that included funding for Swansea Town Hall Community Centre capital improvements in the amount of \$106,232.49 (\$100,000 plus indexing) and \$53,256.30 (\$50,000 plus indexing), respectively. These funds have been received by the City.

At its meeting of April 3, 2013, City Council adopted the release of Section 37 funds for Capital Improvements to the Swansea Town Hall Community Centre to provide one-time funding for capital improvements pertaining to enhanced accessibility. The Centre was unable to use the funds due to issues obtaining permits and as a result, returned the funds back to the City.

At its meeting of July 8, 2014, City Council adopted the release of the Section 37 funds for Swansea Town Hall capital improvements as the Community Centre obtained the necessary permit for a wheel chair ramp. The majority of this work was completed in 2014, and unused funds in the amount of \$107,210.73 were returned to the City. Swansea Town Hall Community Centre staff are now ready to complete the rest of the required improvements.

The Swansea Town Hall Community Centre is an Association of Community Centres (AOCC) facility that provides meeting space for a diversity of programs and services for seniors, adults, and children with or without caregivers/parents. The building houses a Toronto Public Health Dental Clinic, the Swansea Memorial Library, the Swansea Senior's Association and the William Small Historical Archives. Also associated with the Town Hall are several community groups and partners including Horticultural and Historical Societies and the Ratepayers' Association. The Swansea Town Hall Community Centre also works regularly with other neighbourhood organizations such as the local Parks and Recreation Community Centre.

Background Information (City Council)

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