

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM9.25	ACTION			Ward:27
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Release of Section 37 Funds from Various Developments to TCHC for Capital Improvements to the TCHC Building at 257 Dundas Street East - by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, seconded by Councillor Shelley Carroll

** 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.*

Recommendations

Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, seconded by Councillor Shelley Carroll, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the 2015 Approved Operating Budget for Non-Program on a one-time basis by \$253,120.89 gross, \$0 net, fully funded by Section 37 (Planning Act Reserve Funds) community benefits from 64-70 Shuter Street (source account XR3026-3700664) for transfer to Egale Human Rights Trust in order help renovate and retrofit the TCHC owned property at 257 Dundas Street to create a 30 bed transitional housing facility for LGBTQ2S homeless youth (cost centre NP-2161).
2. City Council direct that the \$253,120.89 be forwarded to Egale Human Rights Trust, subject to Egale signing an Undertaking governing the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements.

Summary

This Motion recommends the release of Sections 37 Planning Act funds to Toronto Community Housing Corporation (TCHC) for the purpose of undertaking capital improvements to a TCHC owned building at 257 Dundas Street East. The building in its current form will require extensive work to renovate the building and create a 30 bed transitional housing facility for LGBTQ2S homeless youth.

In July 2015, City Council authorized the General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration to enter into a purchase of service agreement with Egale Human Rights Trust for the establishment of a new permanent 30 bed transitional and emergency housing program for LGBTQ2S youth in Ward 27. The Toronto Street Needs Assessment of 2013 found that 21 percent of respondents in youth shelters identify as a part of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered, Transsexual, Two-spirited, Queer community, more than twice the overall rate for the total homeless population. As such, City Council has prioritized enhancing the shelter

and transitional housing supports available in Toronto to LBGTQ2S youth.

Funds have been secured from the development at 64-70 Shuter Street as community benefits through Sections 37 Planning Act for the purpose capital improvements to TCHC buildings in Ward 27. The funds identified have been received by the City.

Background Information (City Council)

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