

City Council**Notice of Motion**

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Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds to Community Matters Toronto for Mural Art on Bell Utility Boxes in Ward 10 - by Councillor James Pasternak, seconded by Councillor Josh Colle

** 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 James Pasternak, seconded by Councillor Josh Colle, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the approved 2016 Operating Budget for Non-Program by \$5,600.00 gross, \$0 net, fully funded by Section 37 funds obtained in the development at 929, 931, 933, 935, 937 and 939 Sheppard Avenue West (source account: XR3026-3700124) for the purpose of providing one time capital funding to Community Matters Toronto to complete eight murals on Bell Boxes in various locations within Ward 10 (cost centre: NP2161).
2. City Council direct that the funds be forwarded to Community Matters Toronto upon the signing of an Undertaking by Community Matters Toronto that governs the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements.

Summary

Cultural Hotspot is an initiative of Arts Services that in 2016 will shine a spotlight on arts, culture and community in North York; inspiring new ideas about where culture thrives in Toronto. Cultural Hotspot - North is bordered by Finch Avenue to the north, Lawrence Avenue to the south, 404/DVP to the east and Jane Street to the west, and it includes Ward 10.

As part of Cultural Hotspot - North, Arts Services is providing \$4,000 in funding to Community Matters Toronto, a Toronto based non-profit community organization that will transform eight Bell utility boxes in Ward 10 into works of public art. The theme for the boxes will be determined in consultation with local residents and artists. Preference will be given to artists who live or work in Ward 10. The exact locations of the eight murals will be finalized in spring. An additional \$5,600 of funding is required for this project.

Section 37 funds in the amount of \$100,000 have been secured and received in the development at 929-939 Sheppard Avenue West for various community benefits, including street and mural art projects.

The intent of this Motion is to transfer a total of \$5,600 of Section 37 funds from the development at 929-939 Sheppard Avenue West to Community Matters Toronto to provide one-time capital funding for the purpose of painting murals on eight Bell utility boxes located in various Ward 10 locations.

Prior to the funds being released from the City, Community Matters Toronto will be required to sign an Undertaking that governs the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM17.1