Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds to Toronto Community Housing Corporation for Streetscape Improvements to Wilson Avenue adjacent to 495 Wilson Avenue - by Councillor James Pasternak, seconded by Councillor Gary Crawford

* 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 Gary Crawford, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the approved 2016 Operating Budget for Non-Program by $22,606.88 gross, $0 net, fully funded by Section 37 funds obtained in the development at 525 Wilson Avenue and 9 Tippet Road (source account: XR3026-3700394) for the purpose of providing one time capital funding to Toronto Community Housing Corporation for streetscape improvements to the Wilson Avenue right-of-way adjacent to 495 Wilson Avenue (cost centre: NP2161).

2. City Council increase the approved 2016 Operating Budget for Non-Program by $54,447.57 gross, $0 net, fully funded by Section 37 funds obtained in the development at 801, 803 and 807 Sheppard Avenue West (source account: XR3026-3700116) for the purpose of providing one time capital funding to Toronto Community Housing Corporation for streetscape improvements to the Wilson Avenue right-of-way adjacent to 495 Wilson Avenue (cost centre: NP2161).

3. City Council direct that the funds be forwarded to Toronto Community Housing Corporation upon the signing of a Letter of Undertaking by Toronto Community Housing Corporation that governs the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements.

Summary
Champlain Place, the Toronto Community Housing Building located at 495 Wilson Avenue is located near the intersection of Wilson Avenue and Wilson Heights Boulevard. The five-storey building opened in 1995 and offers 1, 2, and 3-bedroom apartments.

The requested Section 37 funds will be used for a project that includes streetscape improvements as well as accessibility and recreation activities, including table and seating area,
tree planting and possibly public art. It will service the Toronto Community Housing Corporation building at 495 Wilson Avenue and the seniors support agency that is a long-term tenant on the first floor.

Section 37 funds in the amount of $54,447.57 have been secured and received in the development of 801-807 Sheppard Avenue West for community benefits located in Ward 10 such as streetscape improvements. The Section 37 Agreement specifies that the expenditure of these funds will be determined by the Ward 10 Councillor and the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture. This Motion has been reviewed by the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture and he is in agreement.

Section 37 funds in the amount of $22,606.88 have been secured and received in the development at 525 Wilson Avenue and 9 Tippet Road for community benefits that include streetscape improvements comprising street trees and decorative concrete or unit pavers.

The intent of this Motion is to transfer a total of $77,054.45 of Section 37 funds from the developments at 801-807 Sheppard Avenue West ($54,447.57 from source account XR3026-3700116) and 525 Wilson Avenue and 9 Tippet Road ($22,606.88 from source account XR3026-3700394) to Toronto Community Housing Corporation to provide one-time capital funding for the purpose of streetscape improvements to the Wilson Avenue right-of-way adjacent to 495 Wilson Avenue that include installing street trees and replacing asphalt with decorative concrete or unit pavers.

Prior to the funds being released from the City, Toronto Community Housing Corporation will be required to sign a Letter of Undertaking to govern the use of the funds and financial reporting requirements.

**Background Information (City Council)**

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