Notice of Motion

MM19.13 ACTION Ward:19

Community Hub - Senhor Santo Cristo Catholic School - 30 and 66 Humbert Street - by Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Josh Matlow

* Notice of this Motion has been given.
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Toronto and East York Community Council. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.

Recommendations
Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Josh Matlow, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Director of Community Planning, Toronto and East York District to:
   a. initiate the process of amending the Zoning By-law, and if required, the Official Plan, to permit additional uses related to non-profit art spaces, studio space, community uses, youth and senior services, and other similar uses within the existing school building at 30 and 66 Humbert Street, subject to applicable performance criteria;
   b. host a community meeting, with the Ward Councillor, on the City-initiated By-law amendments noted in Recommendation 1, in July 2016, and give notice for this community meeting to landowners and residents within 120 metres of the site; and
   c. report back to the Toronto and East York Community Council at its meeting on September 7, 2016, with recommended amendments to the Zoning By-law, and if required, the Official Plan.

Summary
As our community demographics shift, demands on community services are struggling to respond to the changing needs of residents. As communities shrink and grow governments must ensure that existing resources are meeting the needs of our neighbourhood. Municipal governments have the added responsibility of ensuring land uses serve these changing communities, in addition to the delivery of services to these communities alongside, businesses, the not-for-profit sector and other government institutions such as our school boards.

After a lengthy accommodation review by the Toronto Catholic District School Board, it has been recommended that Senhor Santo Cristo Catholic School students be relocated to St. Luke
Catholic School. This recommendation is in response to the changing demographics of the neighbourhood, but it also works to ensure future needs can be accommodated. The local board trustee has been actively seeking to keep Senhor Santo Cristo Catholic School in public hands through a transformation into a community hub housing organizations serving our community. In order to facilitate the transformation of Senhor Santo Christo into a community hub, a zoning amendment is required to allow for these uses on the site.

Background Information (City Council)
Member Motion MM19.13