City Council

Motion without Notice

MM21.42	ACTION		Ward:40

Reinstatement of the Agreement for the Bridletowne Neighbourhood Centre - by Councillor Norman Kelly, seconded by Councillor Chin Lee

* 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 Norman Kelly, seconded by Councillor Chin Lee, recommends that:

1. City Council reinstate the conditions of the original Bridletowne agreement until June 30, 2017.

2. Should the required funding not be secured, City Council authorize the Executive Director, Social Development Finance and Administration to enter into negotiations with the United Way of Toronto and York Region, YMCA, Scarborough Hospital, and other appropriate community partners for the development of a community hub facility and submit a revised project proposal for Council consideration no later than December, 2017.

Summary

The Bridletowne Neighbourhood Centre project is a result of the City working together with residents, local service agencies, and the United Way of Toronto and York Region (UWTYR) to identify opportunities to improve the quality of life in north east Toronto. City Council authorized the four lead parties, the Scarborough Hospital, YMCA, United Way of Toronto and York Region, and the City to proceed with the project based on a number of requirements contained in the Agreement appended to this Motion. In support of the project, the City purchased surplus school lands on the Timothy Eaton school site for the development of a purpose built community/social/recreation/health facility.

Despite the best efforts of the four lead agencies, the project was not able to secure the required project funding within the timeframes contained in the agreement. Recently, the provincial government has indicated a renewed interest in engaging with the project. Staff from all lead partners and the Province have identified a willingness to make a final attempt to collectively secure the resources required to deliver the original vision of a Bridletowne Neighbourhood Centre.

Background Information (City Council)

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