

City Council**Notice of Motion**

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Release of Section 37 Funds from the Development at 406 Adelaide Street East for Heritage Lighting Implementation at the Sony Centre for the Performing Arts - by Councillor Pam McConnell, 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 Pam McConnell, seconded by Councillor Gary Crawford, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the approved 2016 Capital Budget for The Sony Centre by \$85,000.00 gross, \$0 net, fully funded by Section 37 community benefits obtained in the development of 406 Adelaide Street East (Source Account: XR3026-3700440), in order to fund implementation of heritage lighting improvements to the building.

Summary

The Sony Centre for the Performing Arts (Sony Centre) is a landmark building situated at a gateway location in the Old Town of Toronto. Designated under Part Five of the Ontario Heritage Act, the attributes of the Sony Centre relate to its design, associative and contextual value as an important example of modern architecture that is linked to the cultural development of Toronto. Constructed from precast and reinforced concrete and steel construction with limestone and granite cladding on the exterior, its most distinguishing feature is a dramatic cantilevered canopy that covers the entrance and welcomes visitors to the theatre.

The Heritage Lighting Master Plan for Old Town Toronto establishes a strategy to highlight the distinctive architecture and heritage of the area and explore opportunities to improve the lighting of the public realm.

Funds have been secured through Sections 37 benefits from the development at 406 Adelaide Street East that included funding of \$245,000 to be applied by the City towards Heritage Lighting Plans. Of the original contribution and accrued interest there remains approximately \$278,000 for heritage objectives that have not been spent or remain uncommitted.

Restoration of the original lighting of this heritage building meets the objectives of the Master Plan.

This Motion seeks authorization to amend the 2016 Capital Budget of the Sony Centre to fund the implementation of heritage lighting improvements to the Sony Centre in the amount of \$85,000.

As the Sony Centre is a directly funded City agency and not considered an outside party, no undertaking is required to be signed by the Sony Centre governing the use of the funds and financial reporting.

Background Information (City Council)

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