

City Council**Motion without Notice**

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Heritage Evaluation - 901 Lawrence Avenue West - by Councillor Maria Augimeri, seconded by Councillor Justin J. Di Ciano

** 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 Maria Augimeri, seconded by Councillor Justin J. Di Ciano, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Senior Manager, Heritage Preservation Services to research and evaluate the property at 901 Lawrence Avenue West for potential inclusion on the City's Heritage Register and to report back to the Toronto Preservation Board and the North York Community Council with the conclusions of the evaluation.

Summary

For over 30 successful years, Columbus Event Centre has been producing extraordinary events with distinct Italian flair in the City of Toronto. The venue is situated on 4 acres and is located at the corner of Lawrence Avenue West and Dufferin Street. The Columbus Event Centre is part of the Villa Charities family. Villa Charities is a registered charity and non-profit organization that cultivates, promotes and celebrates our culture as Italian-Canadians. To celebrate and promote the Italian Heritage, Culture, Language, Arts, Food, and Family Values. Frequented by more than 100,000 visitors every year, the Columbus Centre is a popular meeting place where people can enjoy the richness of the Italian culture in a Canadian setting; a veritable piazza that brings together art, culture, fitness, and great culinary experiences all under one roof.

I am requesting that this property be researched and evaluated by Heritage Preservation Services staff in order to determine its cultural heritage value.

Background Information (City Council)

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