

**City Council****Motion Without Notice**

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**Donation of Land from Mount Pleasant Group of Cemeteries to City of Toronto - by Councillor John Filion, seconded by Councillor Mary-Margaret McMahon**

*\* 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 John Filion, seconded by Councillor Mary-Margaret McMahon, recommends that:

1. City Council adopt the following recommendations in the attached report (May 24, 2017) from the Chief Corporate Officer:
  1. City Council approve the donation to the City by Mount Pleasant Group of Cemeteries ("MPGC") of approximately 23.277 acres of natural ravine land comprising a portion of the lands known as York Cemetery, municipally known as 101 Senlac Road, Toronto, designated as Parts 1, 2, and 3 on the draft reference plan attached as Appendix "B" to this report (the "Lands"), including future and ongoing obligations arising from the donation, as detailed in the Financial Impact Statement below.
  2. Staff negotiate an Offer to Donate the Lands with MPGC substantially on the terms outlined in Appendix "A" to this report, and that each of the Chief Corporate Officer and the Director of Real Estate Services be authorized severally to accept the offer on behalf of the City.
  3. The City Solicitor be authorized to complete the transactions on behalf of the City including making payment of any necessary expenses, and amending the closing date and other dates to such earlier or later date(s) and on such terms and conditions as she may from time to time consider reasonable.
  4. The appropriate City Officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

**Summary**

Mount Pleasant Group of Cemeteries, the owner of the lands referred to as York Cemetery, has offered to donate to the City for a nominal sum a portion of the lands comprising York

Cemetery, constituting approximately 22.733 acres (9.2 hectares) of vacant, natural ravine land (the "Lands"), for parkland purposes.

Mount Pleasant Group of Cemeteries is awaiting approval from the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services for the de-licensing of the subject lands as a cemetery, after which Mount Pleasant Group of Cemeteries will register a reference plan and submit an Offer to Donate to the City. Upon completion of the Offer to Donate, title to the lands will be transferred to the City.

It is deemed important to address this matter at this Council meeting as the conveyance of the Lands will be announced to the public as part of the Canada Day celebrations.

### **Background Information (City Council)**

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(May 24, 2017) Report from the Chief Corporate Officer on Donation of Land from Mount Pleasant Group of Cemeteries

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2017/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-104186.pdf>