Release of York Beltline Trail Improvements Account Funds from the Development at 1300 Castlefield Avenue for the Production of Trail Wayfinding Markers - by Councillor Josh Colle, seconded by Councillor Jon Burnside

* 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 Josh Colle, seconded by Councillor Jon Burnside, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the 2017 approved Operating Budget for Non-Program, on a one-time basis by $5,000 gross, $0 net, fully funded by the York Beltline Trail Improvements Fund from the development at 1300 Castlefield Avenue to be utilized to fund Trail Wayfinding Markers for the Dufferin Street entrance (Cost Centre: NP2161).

2. City Council direct that the funds be forwarded to the STEPS Initiative upon the signing of an Undertaking by the STEPS Initiative that governs the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements.

Summary
The York Beltline is a popular linear recreation area in Ward 15. Over the last few years a number of projects have been undertaken to improve the trail, including new signage, murals and infrastructure improvements. As a way of promoting the trail and beautifying the public realm, the STEPS initiative have collaborated with a local artist to design iconic wayfinding markers for the Dufferin Street entrance to the Beltline. The wayfinding marker project is to be completed in Summer 2017 by the STEPS Initiative. Prior to receiving the funds, the STEPS Initiative will be required to sign a Letter of Agreement governing the use of the funds and the delivery of the project.

The Motion seeks authorization to amend the 2017 Approved Operating Budget for Non-Program, to include additional York Beltline Trail Improvements Funds of $5,000, which shall be utilized to fund the trail wayfinding markers.

Funds have been secured from the development at 1300 Castlefield Avenue for the improvement of the York Beltline Trail. The funds have been received by the City from this
development and the monies identified above have not been spent or remain uncommitted to satisfy this Motion.

This Motion is urgent because the funding for this mural project is required by August 2017 in order to achieve the Summer 2017 completion date.

**Background Information (City Council)**
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