City Council

Motion without Notice

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Accepting Grants from the Ontario Tire Stewardship's Community Renewal Fund Grant Program and Amending the 2017 Facilities, Real Estate, Environment and Energy Capital Budget - by Councillor Michael Thompson, 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 Michael Thompson, seconded by Councillor Mary-Margaret McMahon, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation and the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration to accept three grants with a total value of \$85,562.00 from the Ontario Tire Stewardship's Community Renewal Fund Grant Program for the following projects in compliance with the City's Policy on Donations for Community Benefits:

- a. \$21,681.65 for Ionview Park (Ward 37);
- b. \$37,209.56 for Birkdale Park (Ward 37); and
- c. \$26,670.80 for Leonard Linton Park (Ward 26).

2. City Council authorize the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation to sign a funding agreement with the Ontario Tire Stewardship for up to \$63,881 in grant funding for the Birkdale and Leonard Linton Parks, and the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration to sign a funding agreement with Ontario Tire Stewardship for up to \$21,682 in grant funding for Ionview Park, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

3. City Council amend the 2017 Facilities, Real Estate, Environment and Energy Capital Budget for the Community Revitalization of Ionview Park sub-project in the Toronto Strong Neighbourhoods Strategy project, by increasing the project cost by \$21,681.65 from \$200,000 to \$221,681.65 and cash flow in 2017 from \$186,439 to \$208,120.70, with funding from the Ontario Tire Stewardship's grant.

Summary

The Ontario Tire Stewardship has a Community Renewal Fund Grant Program that awards eligible Ontario-based communities and organizations up to \$50,000 towards the purchase and installation of Ontario-manufactured recycled rubber projects. Parks, Forestry and Recreation are successful in securing grants for three projects through the Ontario Tire Stewardship grant program: \$21,681.65 for Ionview Park in Ward 37; \$37,209.56 for Birkdale Park in Ward 37; and \$26,670.80 for Leonard Linton Park in Ward 26. Authority from City Council is required to accept the grants, which will be used to purchase and install eco-friendly recycled tire products as playground surfacing.

The three projects are being delivered by Parks, Forestry and Recreation but the Community Revitalization of Ionview Park sub-project is included in the 2017 Council Approved Facilities, Real Estate, Environment and Energy Capital Budget in the Toronto Strong Neighbourhoods Strategy project, with a project cost of \$200,000 and 2017 cash flow of \$186,439. This Motion requests authority from City Council to amend the project cost and 2017 cash flow by \$21,681.65 with funding from the grant from Ontario Tire Stewardship.

Funds for the supply and installation of a new or enhanced park playground for Birkdale Park and Leonard Linton Park projects are respectively included in the 2017 Approved Parks, Forestry and Recreation Capital Budget in the West Birkdale Park and Birkdale Ravine Improvements sub-project in the Park Development project with a project cost of \$408,000 and 2017 cash flow of \$297,229; and the Ward 26 Park Improvements sub-project in the Park Development project with a project cost of \$500,000 and 2017 cash flow of \$59,592. The Parks, Forestry and Recreation Capital Budget does not require an amendment to existing capital projects as there is already approval by Council in the Play Equipment Program FY2017 sub-project to accept up to \$150,000 in other funding such as donations or grants.

This Motion is deemed urgent as authority is required to accept the grants from the Ontario Tire Stewardship before the end of 2017 and amend the 2017 Facilities, Real Estate, Environment and Energy Capital Budget as the improvements to the playgrounds at each site are completed.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM35.32