City Council

Motion without Notice

MM35.26	ACTION			Ward:5
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Release of Section 37 Funds from the Development at 64-70 Cordova Avenue for Capital Improvements to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation Property at 4995 (now known as 5005) Dundas Street West and 57 Mabelle Avenue - by Councillor Justin J. Di Ciano, seconded by Councillor Mark Grimes

* Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice. * This Motion is subject to referral to the Executive Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral. * This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair

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Recommendations

Councillor Justin J. Di Ciano, seconded by Councillor Mark Grimes, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the 2017 Approved Operating Budget for Shelter, Support and Housing Administration on a one-time basis by \$357,714.11 gross, \$0 net, fully funded by Section 37 (Planning Act Reserve Funds) community benefits from 64-70 Cordova Avenue (Source Account: XR3026-3700790) for transfer to Toronto Community Housing Corporation in order to undertake the capital rehabilitation and upgrading of the Toronto Community Housing Corporation buildings at 4995 Dundas Street West and 57 Mabelle Avenue (Cost Centre: FD5101).

2. City Council approve forwarding the \$357,714.11 to Toronto Community Housing Corporation, subject to Toronto Community Housing Corporation signing an Undertaking governing the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements.

Summary

This Motion recommends the release of Sections 37 Planning Act funds to Toronto Community Housing Corporation for the purpose of funding capital improvements to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation property at 5005 Dundas Street West and 57 Mabelle Avenue.

Councillor Di Ciano hosted a community meeting where the options were reviewed. The funds will be used to compliment the shared spaces inside and outside for the use of all residents. Toronto Community Housing Corporation has advised they will carry out intercepts to confirm the details of what residents wish.

From the community meeting it was agreed that the capital improvement items decided on (in order of priority) by residents are:

1. an improvement to the indoor and outdoor recreation room area;

2. providing gym equipment for use in the recreation room for residents of all ages, if

Toronto Community Housing Corporation policy permits;

3. create a computer lab in the recreation room with computers and printers; and

4. installation of noise dampening on common area and stairwell doors on all floors (to limit slamming noise).

Funds have been secured from the development on the lands municipally known as 64-70 Cordova Avenue as community benefits through Sections 37 Planning Act to be used by the City specifically for the capital rehabilitation and upgrading of the Toronto Community Housing Corporation buildings at 4995 Dundas Street West and 57 Mabelle Avenue.

Toronto Community Housing Corporation will be required to sign an Undertaking that will govern the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements, prior to the funds being released to Toronto Community Housing Corporation by the City.

This Motion is urgent as it needs to be approved in this budget cycle as the 2018 budgets will need time to be approved. During this transition period between budgets, the work needs to be commenced at the Toronto Community Housing Corporation facility as they are in dire need for upgrades which could commence as soon as the funds are transferred.

Background Information (City Council)

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