



## CITY COUNCIL REFERRAL OF MEMBER MOTION

### Balancing Music Venues and New Development

**Date:** June 5, 2017  
**To:** Planning and Growth Management Committee  
**From:** City Council  
**Wards:** All

#### CITY COUNCIL DECISION

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City Council on May 24, 25 and 26, 2017, referred Motion MM29.12 to the Planning and Growth Management Committee.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

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Mayor John Tory, seconded by Councillor Josh Colle, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning to circulate development applications for Official Plan and Zoning By-law amendments within 120 metres of an existing Entertainment Place of Assembly to the Economic Development and Culture Division to obtain comments from the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture or designate.

#### SUMMARY

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To ensure the success of the music industry in Toronto, the City must balance the impacts of development and the needs of live concert venues.

A number of City Divisions comment on proposed development applications. The interests of the music industry may not adequately be represented in the development review or consultation process. To ensure that live concert venues are not pushed out of the City by new developments, we are asking that Economic Development and Culture Division be included in the City's planning approval process.

Providing an opportunity for Economic Development and Culture staff to comment and provide advice on how new developments can be music-friendly will ensure harmonious

relationships between residents and live concert venues. Noise proofing, crowd mitigation strategies or simply informing new residents that a live concert venue is nearby could help create better relationships between new communities and Toronto's valuable concert venues.