
City Council

Motion without Notice

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| MM36.29 | ACTION | | | Ward:28 |
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Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds to Real Estate Services for Installation of Public Art at Union Station - by Councillor Lucy Troisi, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie

** 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 Lucy Troisi, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the approved 2018 Capital Budget for Real Estate Services, on a one-time basis by \$385,000 gross, \$0 net, from Section 37 from 15 York Street community benefits to be used for the installation of a public art piece at Union Station (Cost Centre CCA 912-08).

Summary

Authority is being sought to release Section 37 funds to Real Estate Services for the installation of a Walks and Gardens Trust Commemoration public art piece at Union Station (65 Front Street West).

The public art piece went through an open public art competition and jury selection process in 2013. The piece is for the Walks and Gardens Trust Commemoration at Union Station, with the purpose of creating an interpretative installation on the Walks and Gardens Trust in perpetuity. The art piece is located below the Front Street Pedestrian Bridge, where a portion of the original trust lands were located.

The jury selected "fLUX" by internationally renowned, Brussels, Belgium-based studio LAB (au) as the winning proposal. The piece will generate an immersive experience of light and sound within the corridor, providing an element of interaction that will engage pedestrians traversing the walkway. fLUX will also be a significant contribution to contemporary art and Toronto's public art collection.

This Motion is urgent as design has been finalized and installation is scheduled to commence in Spring 2018.

Background Information (City Council)

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Attachment - Public Art Piece at Union Station

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2018/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-112391.pdf>

Fiscal Impact Statement from the Interim Chief Financial Officer

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2018/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-112418.pdf>