

**City Council****Notice of Motion**

MM41.7	ACTION			Ward:18
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**Building Affordable Housing at Bloor and Dufferin - by Councillor Ana Bailão, seconded by Councillor Gord Perks**

*\* Notice of this Motion has been given.*

*\* This Motion is subject to referral to the Executive Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

**Recommendations**

Councillor Ana Bailão, seconded by Councillor Gord Perks, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Government of Canada, the Province of Ontario and the Director, Affordable Housing Office to prioritize funding for the construction of affordable housing on the Bloor Dufferin redevelopment site and that this site be one of the first projects to receive new funding under the Canada-Ontario bilateral agreement.

**Summary**

The Bloor Dufferin School Lands were initially declared surplus by the Toronto District School Board in 2013 and were sold for \$121.5 million in 2016. As part of the decision to sell the land, the Province committed \$20 million in funding support towards a new school and community hub on the site.

A development application was submitted in September 2017 by the purchaser of the site and a revised application was submitted in April 2018. As the development process progresses, one of the stated priorities by the community and local Councillors for this site is the provision of affordable housing.

Given that this site is 7.3 acres, was public land and is located on a subway line, it is an ideal site to include affordable housing as part of the overall development. With the recent signing of the Canada-Ontario bilateral agreement under the National Housing Strategy, this site is uniquely positioned to assist all three levels of government in meeting their affordable housing targets and should be given priority for funding.

**Background Information (City Council)**

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