

City Council**Notice of Motion**

MM43.7	ACTION			Ward:17
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Authorization to Release Section 45 Funds from 103 Lightbourn Avenue in order to fabricate and install branded street name signs for the Regal Heights / Garrison Creek Neighbourhood - by Councillor Cesar Palacio, seconded by Councillor Michael Thompson

** 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 Cesar Palacio, seconded by Councillor Michael Thompson, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the Approved 2018 Capital Budget for Transportation Services, on a one-time basis by \$2,006.88 gross, \$0 net, from the development at 103 Lightbourn Avenue (Source Account XR3028-4500101) to be utilized to fabricate and install branded street name signs for the Regal Heights / Garrison Creek Neighbourhood (CTP718-28).

Summary

The Garrison Creek had its beginnings about 12,000 years ago when the last remnants of the Wisconsin Glacier melted off the St. Clair West lands. The glacier had moved to and from across this area for at least 60,000 years. It wiped the land clear of forests and left deep deposits of glacial drift (sand, clay, gravel and stones) perhaps 200 feet thick along what is now Davenport Road.

In 1996, the City of Toronto passed a motion calling for the revitalization of the Garrison Creek Ravine System, from north of St. Clair Avenue West to Lake Ontario. In 1997, citizens living in the St. Clair Avenue West area became interested in the history of Garrison Creek. They collected old maps and involved City planners, landscape architects, a civil engineer, a forester and others, to find traces of the old creek. As part of this effort, in 1998, the Garrison Creek Headwaters Committee placed markers at the corners of Lauder Avenue and Alberta Avenue where the Creek had crossed St. Clair Avenue West. The late Dick Watts, a founder of the Regal Heights Residents' Association, was one of the champions for this work.

The Motion seeks authorization to amend the 2018 Capital Budget for Transportation Services, to include additional Section 45 Planning Act Reserve Funds of \$2,006.88 which shall be utilized to fabricate and install branded street name signs to commemorate the historic location of Garrison Creek.

Funds have been secured through Section 45 benefits from the development at 103 Lightbourn Avenue for community improvements in the immediate area. The funds have been received by the City from this development and the monies identified above have not been spent and remain uncommitted to satisfy this Motion.

Background Information (City Council)

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