

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

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**Exploring City-Building Opportunity at 260 Adelaide Street West - by Councillor Joe Cressy, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam**

*\* 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 Joe Cressy, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Deputy City Manager, Internal Corporate Services, in consultation with the Fire Chief and General Manager, Toronto Fire Services, the Director, Real Estate Services, the Chief Financial Officer, the Transition Lead, CreateTO and the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, to explore the potential development opportunities for 260 Adelaide Street West as an independent and/or joint development opportunity and to report back in the second quarter of 2019 with a conceptual design and feasibility plan.

**Summary**

After four years of hard work, for the first time since the 1970's we have a new master plan for downtown Toronto: TOcore. It's a plan to build a more liveable and sustainable downtown for the next 25 years. Each of the components of TOcore – the Downtown Secondary Plan and the five Infrastructure Strategies – will help manage and guide growth and development, while ensuring that growth is accompanied by investment in all the necessary community services and facilities that support healthy neighbourhoods, households, and individuals.

Our existing stock of City-owned properties becomes increasingly important for the delivery of expanded community services and facilities as our downtown neighbourhoods become more densely populated, and as land becomes more valuable. In the King-Spadina East Precinct, one of the largest parcels of municipal land is 260 Adelaide Street West, home to Fire Station 332 – the busiest fire station in Canada.

City staff are reviewing opportunities for a comprehensive redevelopment of 260 Adelaide Street West. The fire station itself is an important service in the neighbourhood and cannot be displaced or its service interrupted. But there may still be opportunities to provide new affordable housing including units suitable for families, new community facilities, space for the creative and cultural sectors, or new employment. Increased and improved public realm features including parkland and pedestrian connectivity would be critical components of any

future intensification or redevelopment.

In order to continue advancing work to make the most public benefit from 260 Adelaide Street West, City staff require direction from City Council to explore the potential redevelopment opportunities of the property. This work will take place in conjunction with the John Street Precinct Plan, which Toronto and East York Community Council have already given direction to City staff to undertake (2018.TE34.219), coordinating the various City-building opportunities in the wider area.

### **Background Information (City Council)**

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