City Council

Motion without Notice

MM44.54

Request for a report on the Oakwood Vaughan Strategy and Actions Plan - by Councillor Joe Mihevc, seconded by Councillor Josh Colle

* Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice.
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Community Development and Recreation Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.
* This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.

Recommendations

Councillor Joe Mihevc, seconded by Councillor Josh Colle, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Executive Director, Social Development, Finance and Administration to report on fulfilled and outstanding actions of the Oakwood Vaughan Strategy and Actions Plan, as indicated in Attachment 1 of Item CD7.7, by the first quarter of 2019.

2. City Council request that any outstanding commitments be listed in the Oakwood Vaughan Strategy and Actions within budget lines to the Budget Committee for consideration as part of the 2019 Budget process.

Summary

In 2015, City Council adopted the Oakwood Vaughan Strategy and Actions, and forwarded the Actions to the Budget Committee for consideration in 2016.

The Actions made significant contributions to the Oakwood-Vaughan neighbourhood by focusing on social engagement, economic development, and community safety. The Actions proposed to introduce long-overdue City services and general improvements to the community and neighbourhood, including a daily Youth Hub at the Maria A. Shchuka library, expansion of business education programs, and the establishment of the Oakwood-Vaughan Neighbourhood Action Partnership, a community network composed of residents, community organizations, and City staff. However out of the 26 improvements and services outlined, only 11 have been fulfilled to this date, and the rest remain only partially fulfilled or not achieved.

The Oakwood-Vaughan neighbourhood has much more capacity to grow and develop as a community. The area possesses the economic potential to attract younger demographics and pedestrian traffic who can boost local businesses, and community members are actively collaborating through Oakwood-Vaughan Neighbourhood Action Partnership to cross-promote local businesses and services and to develop a distinct district identity.
The City of Toronto is committed to continuing to support the Oakwood Vaughan Strategy and Actions to fulfill the Oakwood-Vaughan neighbourhood's community development plans.

This Motion is urgent to have the outcome of the report to inform the 2019 Budget process and various divisions requests for funds, which staff prepare before the first quarter of 2019, as the items requested for a report are outstanding from a 2015 City Council decision.

**Background Information (City Council)**
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