Member Motion

City Council

Motion without Notice

MM44.84  ACTION  Ward:11

Requesting Authorization for the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Hydro One related to Hydro One's Improving the Corridor Project - by Councillor Frances Nunziata, seconded by Councillor Sarah Doucette

* 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 Frances Nunziata, seconded by Councillor Sarah Doucette, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Hydro One to the satisfaction of the City solicitor, with respect to the delivery of selected subprojects on lands in Ward 11, some of which are licensed to the City for park purposes, on behalf of Hydro One as part of Hydro One's Improving the Corridor Project.

Summary

Hydro One is undertaking significant upgrades to its electricity infrastructure to provide adequate and reliable power to the west end of Toronto. The Power West Toronto project includes installing two new transformers at Hydro One's existing Runnymede Transformer Station located at 99 Woolner Avenue, which requires expanding the current station footprint. As a result of the impact this will have on the immediate community, Hydro One has agreed to undertake improvements in the hydro corridor for the benefit of the community.

A list of subprojects is being developed by Hydro One in consultation with the community and these are being reviewed with the City and will inform further consultation with the community over the summer. Among the subprojects being considered for implementation are improvements to trails and pathways, park improvements, and the creation of a linear park through the hydro corridor in Ward 11. Once the subprojects are finalized an agreement will be needed detailing the involvement of the City in supporting Hydro One's Improving the Corridor project.

This Motion is urgent so that the finalized list of subprojects can be constructed by Hydro One without delay.

Background Information (City Council)

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