City Council

Motion without Notice

| MM44.77 | ACTION | | | Ward:27 |
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587 to 599 Yonge Street - Release of Section 37 Funds from the Development for Capital Improvements to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation Property at 18 Davenport Road - by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, 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 Kristyn Wong-Tam, seconded by Councillor Sarah Doucette, recommends that:

- 1. City Council increase the 2018 Approved Operating Budget for Shelter, Support and Housing Administration on a one-time basis by \$400,000.00 gross, \$0 net, fully funded by Section 37 (Planning Act Reserve Funds) community benefits from 587 to 599 Yonge Street (source account: 220096) for transfer to Toronto Community Housing Corporation in order to undertake exterior front building upgrades to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation building at 18 Davenport Avenue (cost centre: FD5101).
- 2. City Council direct that the \$400,000 be forwarded to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation, subject to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation signing an Undertaking governing the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements.

Summary

This Motion recommends the release of Sections 37 Planning Act funds to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation for the purpose of funding capital improvements to the Toronto Community Housing Corporation property at 18 Davenport Road.

18 Davenport Road is 16-storey residence in Yorkville, providing 138 units of affordable housing to low-income seniors. Capital improvements to the exterior space fronting the building can increase the amount of usable space to residents. The goal is to create an outdoor area that is safe, well-designed and conducive to active use throughout the year, for the seniors. This needed capital improvement will provide benefit to the residents, and a beautiful enhancement to the community as a whole.

Toronto Community Housing Corporation staff have been engaged, and identified the project as a priority for completion in 2019. They have proposed a number of improvements

including, but not limited to, updated building signage with illumination; exterior seating; installation of planters and landscaped features; installation of a trellis to delineate a courtyard; addition of a canopy for overhead protection; and enhanced lighting. Design and consultation are expected to be carried out through the fall and winter of 2018, with implementation of the capital improvements in fall of 2019.

Funds have been secured from the development on the lands municipally known as 587 to 599 Yonge Street, 2 and 4 Dundonald Street, and 7 and 9 Gloucester Street as community benefits through Section 37 Planning Act to be used by the City for a variety of purposes including funding for capital improvements to Toronto Community Housing Corporation properties.

The Toronto Community Housing Corporation will be required to sign an Undertaking that will govern the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements, prior to the funds being released to Toronto Community Housing Corporation by the City.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM44.77