

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM6.12	ACTION			Ward: 13
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Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds from the 355 Church Street Development for Trans Flag-Coloured Pedestrian Crossing Areas at Three Intersections Along Church Street - by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie

** 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 Kristyn Wong-Tam, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie, recommends that:

City Council increase the Approved 2019 Capital Budget for Transportation Services, on a one-time basis by \$50,000 gross, \$0 net, from the development at 355 Church Street (Source Account: XR3026-3700687) to be utilized for local streetscape improvements in the form of trans flag-coloured pedestrian crossing areas at the intersections of Hayden Street at Church Street, Wood Street at Church Street, and the pedestrian crossing on Wellesley Street East approximately 73 metres to the west of Church Street. (Signs and Markings Asset Management, CTP719).

Summary

This Motion seeks authorization to amend the Approved 2019 Capital Budget of Transportation Services to include additional Section 37 Planning Act Reserve Funds in the amount of \$50,000 for streetscape improvements in the form of trans flag-coloured pedestrian crossing areas at the intersections of Hayden Street at Church Street, Wood Street at Church Street, and the pedestrian crossing on Wellesley Street East approximately 73 metres to the west of Church Street.

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the Trans Day of Visibility and the 50th anniversary of the decriminalization of homosexuality in Canada as well as the Stonewall Riots. The intersections of Church Street at Isabella Street, Church Street at Alexander Street, and Church at Maitland Street currently have thermal plastic rainbow-coloured pedestrian crossing areas, which were installed for the World Pride Event in 2014.

Transportation Services will arrange to tender and award a contract for the installation of new trans flag-coloured pedestrian crossing areas at the intersections of Hayden Street at Church Street, Wood Street at Church Street, and the pedestrian crossing on Wellesley Street East

approximately 73 metres to the west of Church Street in time for the 2019 Pride Festival.

Funds in the amount of \$600,000 have been secured through Section 37 of the Planning Act from the development at 355 Church Street for various community benefits that include local streetscape improvements, to be determined in consultation with the Ward Councillor and local stakeholders. The Toronto Trans Coalition Project, Church-Wellesley Village Business Improvement Areas, and the Church Wellesley Neighbourhood Association are all supportive of the locations identified and using the Section 37 reserve funds for this purpose. The funds have been received by the City from this development and the \$50,000 identified above has not been spent and remains uncommitted in order to satisfy this Motion.

Background Information (City Council)

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