

City Council**Notice of Motion**

MM9.30	ACTION			Ward: 14
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Bringing Basketball to the Bay by Mitigating Local Recreational Opportunities Lost Due to Construction - by Councillor Paula Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Shelley Carroll

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the Infrastructure and Environment Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

Recommendations

Councillor Paula Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Shelley Carroll, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the development, design and construction of a public basketball court on the Ashbridges Bay Park property at a location determined by and suitable to Toronto Water.
2. City Council request the General Manager, Toronto Water, in consultation with the local Ward Councillor and the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, to finalize the design of a basketball court to be located on the Ashbridges Bay Park property.
3. City Council direct that funds for the work be allocated from the contingency allowances included in the existing Don River and Central Waterfront Contract 1 and/or the Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant Integrated Pumping Stations Contracts 1 and 2.
4. City Council authorize the Chief Engineer and Executive Director, Engineering and Construction Services to execute the necessary change orders to implement the project.
5. City Council request the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation to develop a Master Recreation Plan for the park, in consultation with General Manager Toronto Water, the local Ward Councillor, other stakeholders and the local community, to be ready upon completion of the construction activities related to the Don River and Central Waterfront Tunnel system as well as the new Integrated Pumping Station.

Summary

Disruption and public access restriction to more than half the Ashbridges Bay Park area located in Ward 14 due to construction activities related to the Don River and Central Waterfront Tunnel system as well as the new Integrated Pumping Station servicing the Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant will significantly impair public enjoyment of the park area for the next ten

years. An existing recreational rugby field has already been relocated to accommodate the construction activity. This Motion seeks to grant authority and instruct the General Manager, Toronto Water and the Chief Engineer and Executive Director, Engineering and Construction Services to develop and construct an 18 metre by 27 metre temporary basketball court (four min-courts) in accordance with specifications and standards to be provided by the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation. The court is to be constructed on the east side of the Ashbridges Bay Park property north of the new rugby field, easily accessible from Coxwell Avenue and will supplement the already existing skate board park at the corner of Lakeshore Boulevard East and Coxwell Avenue. The basketball court will be constructed as a temporary facilities pending the development of a future Master Plan and further redevelopment of the park once the Toronto Water construction activities are completed in 2030.

The preliminary estimate developed by Parks, Forestry and Recreation staff for the proposed court is in the range of \$140,000 to \$200,000 and can be accommodated within the existing Don and Central Waterfront construction contract or one of the first two construction contracts related to the Ashbridges Bay Treatment Plant Integrated Pumping Station.

This Motion will grant authority to Toronto Water, Engineering and Construction Services and Parks, Forestry and Recreation staff to finalize the design and, retain engineering services, seek quotes from one or more contractors, and grant authority to Engineering and Construction Services staff to award the work to contractor(s) best able to construct the works on a timely basis and within the estimated cost developed by Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

Background Information (City Council)

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