



June 14, 2020

To: Members, Planning and Housing Committee

RE: Modular Supportive Housing

I would ask that the Planning and Housing Committee members support the following request:

1. Request that the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning report directly to the June Council meeting in consultation with the Housing Secretariat on the outcome of feedback from the Community Consultations starting June 15th on the 2 Modular Housing proposals.
2. Request the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning to report directly to Council on ways to expedite the necessary planning and building approvals.

Background

The creation of Modular Supportive Housing is a key element of the Housing TO 2020-2030 Action Plan adopted by Council. Due to both the current housing challenges and the health risks posed by COVID-19 it is critical that new housing be created to address the City's housing challenges.

As adopted by Council at its meeting of April 30th, 2020, in its consideration of CC20.6 Implementing the Toronto Modular Housing Initiative as an Urgent Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, staff were requested to prioritize Phase One of the Modular Housing Initiative.

Consultations with respect to the 2 modular housing sites are commencing on June 16th. While it is important to expedite these sites it is also critical that we hear from the community.

Your support for this request would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



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