

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM28.2	ACTION			Ward: All
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Authorization of an Agreement to fund a Youth Fellowship in Council Member Offices for 2021 - by Councillor Jennifer McKelvie, seconded by Councillor Michael Thompson

** 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 Jennifer McKelvie, seconded by Councillor Michael Thompson, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the City Clerk to enter into an agreement with the Urban Alliance on Race Relations to receive funding in 2021 for up to thirty Councillor Aide positions in Council Member offices.
2. City Council request the Executive Director, Social Development Finance and Administration, in consultation with the City Clerk, to report back before the end of the third quarter of 2021 on an enhanced workforce development model for the Youth Fellowship program for full implementation in 2022.

Summary

This Motion seeks City Council's authorization for the City Clerk to enter into an agreement with the Urban Alliance on Race Relations (UARR) in order to receive funding to support up to thirty part-time positions in Council Member Offices to support the Black Youth Fellowship, Tamil Youth Fellowship, Filipino Youth Fellowship and Muslim Youth Fellowship Programs in 2021.

The Muslim Youth Fellowship started in 2017 and Fellows have been placed in Council Offices every year through 2020. The Fellowships are designed to increase participation in civic engagement and provide Fellows with the practical tools required to understand and navigate the political process.

At its meeting on July 16, 2019, City Council adopted MM9.42 "Authorization of an Agreement to continue funding the Muslim Youth Fellowship Internship Program in Council Member's Offices for 2020" directing staff to explore possibilities of expanding the program with the Urban Alliance on Race Relations to youth from other diverse, under-represented communities with the goal of expanding the program as a year-round initiative at City Hall starting Fall 2020 and to report back on progress before the fourth quarter of 2019.

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.MM9.42>

There is base budget funding of \$17,330 in the Council General Budget for this Program. The UARR will cover the remaining cost of the Program in 2021.

Social Development Finance and Administration will report back to Council before the end of Q3 with an enhanced program model and recommendations to ensure the program is sustained with workforce development components for implementation in 2022.

Background Information (City Council)

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