



Member Motion

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM31.6	ACTION			Ward: All
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Requesting the Deferral of Development Charges for the Anduhyaun Shelter - by Councillor Ana Bailão, seconded by Councillor Frances Nunziata

** 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 Ana Bailão, seconded by Councillor Frances Nunziata, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, in consultation with the City Solicitor and the Chief Building Official and Executive Director, Toronto Building to report to the May 5, 2021 meeting of City Council on the feasibility of deferring the payment of development charges in the amount of \$153,101.33 for the Anduhyaun Shelter, a violence against women emergency shelter servicing Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal women with or without children who are fleeing violence.

Summary

The Anduhyaun Shelter is a family support shelter that is substance free. It provides culturally sensitive counselling and referrals for women and their children.

Using a client focused and strength based approach, the Anduhyaun Shelter also promotes advocacy and empowerment for woman in the context of supporting their cultural identity in addition to respecting diversity of race, religion and sexuality. As women move along a healing path, the Anduhyaun Shelter looks to ensure that clients are able to protect and maintain their unique identity.

The Anduhyaun Shelter has been required to pay \$153,101.33 in development charges. Given their financing, it would not be feasible or possible for the Anduhyaun Shelter to meet this unexpected cost without significantly impacting the ability of the shelter to realize the creation of this important support for women and children. The services to be provided at this shelter are very much needed in this community and for clients from across the City.

Background Information (City Council)

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