City Council

Motion without Notice

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Strengthening and Refining Protections for Heritage Properties in Toronto - by Councillor Jaye Robinson, seconded by Mike Colle

* This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair. * This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.

Recommendations

Councillor Jaye Robinson, seconded by Councillor Mike Colle, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, in consultation with relevant City divisions and the City Solicitor, to review the City's process and procedures, City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 103, Heritage and any related By-Laws in respect of properties that have cultural heritage value or interest and recommend any further refinements, modifications or amendments that would strengthen and enhance protections for such properties, and to report back to the Planning and Housing Committee by the fourth quarter of 2021.

Summary

At its meeting held on October 27, 28 and 30, 2020, City Council adopted Item PH17.11 entitled, "Amendments to the Municipal Code: Chapter 103 – Heritage, and Chapter 27 – Council Procedures". As described in the staff report, Provincial Bill 108 (More Homes, More Choice Act) made significant amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act that will have an impact on how the City of Toronto undertakes heritage planning. At the time of the report, the Province also released a draft regulation associated with these amendments which had not yet come into force.

Recently, it was announced that Provincial regulation (Ontario Regulation

385/21) and the Bill 108 amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act will be proclaimed into force on July 1, 2021. This Motion would align with the staff review being undertaken to give effect to the implementation of the changes to the Ontario Heritage Act as previously authorized by City Council in Item PH17.11.

This Motion is urgent because it relates to amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act that will come into force on July 1, 2021 and aligns with the staff review currently underway.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM34.49