

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM36.20	ACTION			Ward: 3
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Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds from the Development at 700 Evans Avenue to Toronto Catholic District School Board for St. Ambrose Catholic School Field Turf Improvements - by Councillor Mark Grimes, seconded by Councillor Mike Colle

** 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 Mark Grimes, seconded by Councillor Mike Colle, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the 2021 Operating Budget for Non-Program by \$50,000.00 gross, \$0 net, (Cost Centre: NP2161) fully funded by Section 37 funds obtained in the development at 700 Evans Avenue (205, 215, 225 and 235 Sherway Gardens Road) (Source Account: XR3026-3700181), for the purpose of providing one-time capital funding to the Toronto Catholic District School Board for turf upgrades at the St. Ambrose Catholic School field.
2. City Council direct that the \$50,000.00 be forwarded to the Toronto Catholic District School Board upon the signing of an Undertaking by the Board governing the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements.

Summary

Section 37 funds have been secured and received in the development at 700 Evans Avenue (205, 215, 225 and 235 Sherway Gardens Road) to be allocated to parkland improvements in the Ward. This Motion seeks to contribute \$50,000 of these Section 37 funds, for improvements to the St. Ambrose turf sports field. Currently the field can only be used for a couple of months per year because a lack of drainage results in mud and accumulated water. The field takes up a large portion of the school field, which leaves very little usable area for students and the community.

The use of Section 37 funds is appropriate as the Section 37 Implementation Guidelines (section 5.7) approved by Council states:

"Cash contributions toward the capital improvement of school board playgrounds are eligible S.37 community benefits where the playground serves as a local park, where the public will continue to have reasonable access for the foreseeable future, and where there

is no local City-owned parkland performing a similar function in the same community that could otherwise benefit from the cash contribution."

The funds will be forwarded to the Toronto Catholic District School Board once the School Board has entered into an Undertaking governing the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements prior to the funds being released from the City.

Background Information (City Council)

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<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2021/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-171240.pdf>