## **Member Motion**

# **City Council**

#### **Notice of Motion**

MM37.24	ACTION			Ward: 13
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Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds from the 587 to 599 Yonge Street Development to The 519 Community Centre for Capital Improvements - by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie

- \* 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 Kristyn Wong-Tam, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the Association of Community Centre's Approved 2021 Operating Budget for The 519 Community Centre by \$315,000.00, \$0 net, fully funded by Section 37 community benefits related to the development at 587 to 599 Yonge Street, 2 to 4 Dundonald Street, 7 to 9 Gloucester Street (Source Account: XR3026-3700894) for capital improvements in the form of relocating their garbage storage area to an enclosed and secure area at the back of the building, replacing the overhead doors at the back, as well as creating a new access point on the northwest side of their building with wider windows, double doors, and a canopy (Cost Centre: NP0235).

#### **Summary**

The 519 Community Centre is seeking capital funding in response to Councillor Wong-Tam and community stakeholder requests to move the exterior garbage zone from the north side of the property and improve sightlines and community access to Barbara Hall Park. Currently, the garbage is located on the exterior of the building, while City staff try to maintain it, given its exterior placement it is often unsightly and takes away from the community and tourists access to the Park and being able to fully enjoy the mural which depicts and celebrates the Two Spirit, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Intersex, Queer, Questioning, communities (2SLGBTQ+) community's fight for equality and justice.

Moving the garbage to the east side of the property in an enclosed space requires capital renovations to move entrances and exits to meet fire code requirements, appropriately manage cleaning, health and safety and pest management strategies. The proposed design will also improve the flow of community programs so they don't exit onto the splash pad; increase spaces for children and family play areas; and enhance community gardening.

### **Background Information (City Council)**

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