Member Motion

City Council

Notice of Motion

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Measures to Enhance Compliance After the Permit Process - by Councillor Ana Bailão, seconded by Councillor Frances Nunziata

Recommendations

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

1. City Council direct the Chief Building Official and Executive Director, Toronto Building, in consultation with the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards to report to the Planning and Housing Committee in the second quarter of 2022, as part of the update on the Toronto Building Program Review, with options for strengthening the City of Toronto's enforcement of illegal construction after occupancy, or where a change of use of the property has occurred.

Summary

With a construction of a significant number of buildings occurring annually across the City of Toronto, there are regular complaints to the City indicating that builders, particularly with smaller properties, are undertaking additional work after the City's building permit inspection process is complete, resulting in buildings which are not in compliance with the originally approved permits. There are complaints that City inspection and enforcement regulations and protocols do not provide to City staff the ability to fully inspect buildings upon closure of the permit, once the building is occupied. A joint Municipal Licensing and Standards and Toronto Building review of the current inspection and enforcement tools would help identify opportunities to mitigate against these practices.

Background Information (City Council)

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^{*} Notice of this Motion has been given.

^{*} This Motion is subject to referral to the Planning and Housing Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.