

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM42.17	ACTION			Ward: 10
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Supporting the Continued Implementation of the Bathurst Quay Neighbourhood Plan - by Councillor Joe Cressy, seconded by Councillor Mike Layton

** 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 Joe Cressy, seconded by Councillor Mike Layton, recommends that:

1. City Council increase, on a one-time basis, the 2022 Approved Capital Budget for the Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Initiative, by \$419,520.98 gross, \$0 debt, for implementation of the subproject Bathurst Quay Public Realm (Cost Centre CWR003-28) fully funded by Section 37 (Planning Act Reserve Fund) community benefits collected from the following developments:

- a. 576, 578, 580 Front Street West, 25, 27 Bathurst Street and 33, 35, 49 Niagara Street, secured for pedestrian and cycling infrastructure improvements, in the amount of \$3,459 (Source Account XR3028-4500197);
- b. 40-58 Widmer Street, secured for to be a allocated for pedestrian and cycling improvements, in the amount of \$350,380.31 (Source Account XR3026-3701103); and
- c. 90 Stadium Road and 637 Lake Shore Boulevard West, Secured for park or Martin Goodman Trail improvements, in the amount of \$65,681.67 (Source Account XR3026-3700197).

Summary

Following more than two years of intensive consultation and study, in 2017 City Council approved the Bathurst Quay Neighbourhood Plan with a vision to improve this derelict City-owned property with new public spaces, and to repair and revitalize the heritage-designated Canada Malting Silos located on the property into a cultural and community services-focused hub.

Since that time, the City with our local partners including the local resident association and business community, Canada Ireland Foundation, Waterfront Neighbourhood Centre, Ports Toronto, and the Toronto District School Board, have been hard at work advancing this vision. In October 2019, construction on the first phase of public realm improvements got started, and

a new waterfront promenade and additional improvements were formally opened in November 2021.

The next phase of work on the Bathurst Quay Neighbourhood Plan is now well underway including two major initiatives: repurposing a derelict office building on the site into "The Corleck" - a new waterfront hub for arts and culture to be operated by the non-profit Canada Ireland Foundation; and the structural rehabilitation and repair of the historically significant Canada Malting Company Silos – two of the oldest remaining maritime structures on Toronto's waterfront.

Construction crews are presently working on improvements to the silos that include the creation of a new publicly accessible pedestrian “portal” between the south and north structures; and are delivering enabling investments to support the silo's future planned re-use and activation, including restoration of electrical connections, foundation repair and water-proofing, debris and contaminated water removal, and repairing the silo's damaged concrete roof and walls.

And later this year, construction begins on a dynamic new public waterfront plaza with which to tie all of these improvements to each other and to the water's edge. These additional funds, sourced from local Section 37 community benefits secured through nearby development approvals, will contribute to the full implementation of the upcoming phases of work on the Bathurst Quay Neighbourhood Plan.

Background Information (City Council)

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