

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM45.7	ACTION			Ward: 12
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Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds from the Development at 859, 861 and 875 Eglinton Avenue West and 2020 Bathurst Street for the laneway improvements to Reggae Lane in the York-Eglinton Business Improvement Area - by Councillor Josh Matlow, 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 Josh Matlow, seconded by Councillor Mike Colle, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the 2022-2031 Approved Capital Budget and Plan for Economic Development and Culture by \$350,000 gross and \$0 debt in project costs with cash flow funding of \$50,000 in 2022 and cash flow commitments of \$250,000 in 2023 and \$50,000 in 2024 , fully funded by Section 37 funds obtained from the development at 859, 861 and 875 Eglinton Avenue West and 2020 Bathurst Street (Source Account: XR3026-3701174), for the laneway improvements to Reggae Lane, in the York Eglinton Business Improvement Area (WBS element: CED104-28 – Planning Act Revenue York Eglinton).

Summary

This Motion seeks approval to release Section 37 funds in the amount of \$350,000 to the York Eglinton Business Improvement Area for retrofits and improvements to Reggae Lane. The Business Improvement Area will maintain all improved elements once constructed. These funds have been received from the development and are eligible for these purposes.

The local Councillor, City of Toronto Staff and the York-Eglinton Business Improvement Area are working in partnership to make Reggae Lane a vibrant and safe public space. The improvements initiated for Reggae Lane are holistic, and involve a multi-divisional approach. On this project in particular, a consultant and contractor will be engaged to identify and address opportunities to retrofit/rebuild the existing retaining wall and fence, and other noted concerns raised by the local community. These improvements will enhance the pedestrian experience and further animate this iconic space that was originally meant to celebrate our city's reggae musicians and cultural heritage of Little Jamaica.

Background Information (City Council)

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