City Council

Notice of Motion

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Request to Waive Permit Fees for West Scarborough Neighbourhood Community Centre, 313 Pharmacy Avenue - by Councillor Gary Crawford, seconded by Councillor Brad Bradford

* Notice of this Motion has been given. * This Motion is subject to referral to the Economic and Community Development Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.

Recommendations

Councillor Gary Crawford, seconded by Councillor Brad Bradford, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, to waive permit fees on permits taken out by the West Scarborough Neighbourhood Community Centre at Birchmount Community Centre, Warden Hilltop Community Centre, Oakridge Community Centre, and any other Community Centre's as may be deemed appropriate by the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation until construction at 313 Pharmacy Avenue is complete.

Summary

West Scarborough Neighbourhood Community Centre has been the hub of the West Scarborough Community since 1956 when it was first initiated as the West Scarborough Boys Club by the Scarborough Civitan Service. The organization operates out of the City-owned facility at 313 Pharmacy Avenue, which was established in 1966.

West Scarborough Neighbourhood Community Centre offers neighbourhood programs and services designed to enhance the well-being of people in the context of their community, culture and environment. The Centre offers: children's, youth and seniors' programs; aquatics programs; and employment programs.

Corporate Real Estate Management identified the need for accessibility improvements to the building at 313 Pharmacy Avenue, and the facility will be under construction for state-of-good-repair work for approximately one year. As a result, many of the programs run by West Scarborough Neighbourhood Community Centre will need to be relocated in order to accommodate the needs of the community.

Recognizing the existing nominal agreement in place for their operations, this Motion recommends that City Council waive permit fees, in order for West Scarborough Neighbourhood Community Centre to continue operations for their aquatic, youth and seniors' programming at alternative sites (Birchmount Community Centre, Warden Hilltop Community Centre, Oakridge Community Centre, and any other Community Centres as may be approved by the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation) until construction at 313 Pharmacy Avenue is complete.

Background Information (City Council)

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