

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM2.12	ACTION			Ward: 10
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Authorization to release Section 37 funds to the Sir William Campbell Foundation for Public Realm Improvements on Queen Street West respecting Relic Linear Park - by Councillor Ausma Malik, seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo

** 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 Ausma Malik, seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo, recommends that:

1. City Council increase, on a one-time basis, the 2022 Council Approved Operating Budget for Non-Program, by \$33,000.00 gross, \$0 net, fully funded by Section 37 (Planning Act Reserve Funds) community benefits from the following developments:

a. 219 Queen Street West, in the amount of \$25,797 (Source Account: XR3026-3700663), secured for various purposes including streetscape improvements (Cost Centre NP2161) ; and

b. 426 University Avenue, in the amount of \$7,203 (Source Account: XR3026-3700306), secured for various purposes including local park improvements and/or streetscape improvements to Queen Street West (Cost Centre NP2161);

for the purpose of providing one time capital funding to the Sir William Campbell Foundation to winterize the Relic Linear Park site for mason work during the winter.

2. City Council direct that the funds be forwarded to the Sir William Campbell Foundation upon the signing of an Undertaking that governs the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements.

Summary

Authority is being sought to release Section 37 funds to the Sir William Campbell Foundation, a non-profit organization that maintains and operates Campbell House Museum. The monies are to be utilized to construct Relic Linear Park, as part of the Grange Green Plan. The purpose of the Grange Green Plan is to improve public green space, enhance private greening efforts, and contribute to the City's environmental and climate change agenda, improving both human and ecosystem health within the Grange community. Relic Linear Park, along the City's right-of-way boulevard, will be connecting green spaces throughout the Grange community.

Due to unforeseen construction delays occurring due to City water main work at and adjacent to the site, funding is needed to winterize the site for mason work during the winter. This funding will ensure the project is completed prior to March 31, 2023 to receive a previously approved federal grant. The work being completed is along Simcoe Street at Queen Street West, fronting the historic Campbell House Museum. This project is an initiative of the Sir William Campbell Foundation and the Grange community, with the support of Transportation Services, who will maintain the hard landscaping upon completion.

The intent of this motion is to transfer a total of \$33,000 of Section 37 funds to the Sir William Campbell Foundation to provide one-time capital funding for the purpose of winterizing the Relic Linear Park site for mason work during the winter. The Section 37 funds are from the development at 219 Queen Street West and the development at 426 University Avenue, secured for various purposes including streetscape improvements and park improvements.

Background Information (City Council)

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(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2023/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-230407.pdf>)