City Council

Notice of Motion

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Prioritizing Non-Profit Housing in the Concept 2 Keys (C2K) Program by Councillor Frances Nunziata, seconded by Councillor Brad Bradford

* 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.

Recommendations

Councillor Frances Nunziata, seconded by Councillor Brad Bradford, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Services to include an identified breakdown and analysis of non-profit and co-operative housing development applications and measures being undertaken to facilitate and remove barriers to the approval and construction of these applications in future Concept 2 Keys (C2K) Status Update reports.

2. City Council request the Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Services to immediately include and prioritize non-profit and co-operative developments in the Priority Development Review Stream and the Concept 2 Keys (C2K) where the non-profit or co-operative housing proponent has been approved by Council for Pre-Development Funding.

Summary

At the Planning and Housing Committee on July 6, 2023 the Committee received a report from the Deputy City Manager "Concept to Keys (C2K) Dashboard: July 2023 Priority Development Applications Status Update.

The Concept 2 Keys (C2K) is an important and innovative program that is changing how Planning and Development applications are reviewed by the City of Toronto by identifying and prioritizing the approval of affordable housing developments.

It is well known that non-profit and co-operative housing organizations face significant municipal and financial barriers in developing new affordable housing in Toronto's hot housing market. As a result, the city must look to remove barriers to new non-profit development, while improving the delivery and speed of approvals.

Speedy municipal consideration and approval of non-profit and co-operative housing proposals plays a significant role in proponents being able to apply and access limited federal and provincial affordable and supportive housing funds.

Regrettably a number of non-profit housing proposals have not been prioritize, are "stuck" in the city's planning and development approval process, and unable to proceed in a timely

fashion. This includes organizations which City Council approved pre-development funding in June 2022, including the Learning Enrichment development that Council directed City staff to give priority consideration to at their meeting of July 19, 20 and 21, 2022.

The motion proposes improving the Concept to Keys (C2K) Dashboard and also proposes that the Priority Development Review Stream and the Concept to Keys (C2K) Program include those non-profit and co-operative housing organizations that have Pre-Development Funding approved by City Council.

Background Information (City Council)

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