

City Council

Motion without Notice

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Designation of a Portion of the Property at 15 San Romanoway used by Doug Philpott Inner City Children’s Tennis as a Municipal Capital Facility - by Councillor Anthony Perruzza, seconded by Mayor Olivia Chow

** This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

** This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

Recommendations

Councillor Anthony Perruzza, seconded by Mayor Olivia Chow, recommends that:

1. City Council pass a By-law pursuant to Section 252 of the City of Toronto Act, 2006, providing authority to enter into a Municipal Capital Facility Agreement and any other agreement that may be required, with Doug Philpott Inner City Children’s Tennis (the "Operator") for part of the property municipally known as 15 San Romanoway immediately adjacent to the facility used for other local community activities located at 15 San Romanoway (the “Premises”), with respect to the construction of a bubble over the tennis courts; with the City

a. for the purposes of:

- i. declaring the premises a Municipal Capital Facility used for local community activities, primarily being free or low cost tennis programming;
- ii. exempting the Premises from development charges otherwise owing pursuant to Chapter 415 Article I of the Municipal Code for the purpose of constructing a bubble over the existing tennis courts; and
- iii. giving money to the Operator in the form of a credit towards the amount of the parkland levies owing pursuant to Chapter 415 Article III of the Municipal Code; and

b. on terms satisfactory to the General Manager, Parks Forestry and Recreation including that:

- i. the Premises be used primarily for local community activity, including that the Operator provide free or low cost tennis programming to local youth,
- ii. to make the courts reasonably available to the public and in particular those in priority neighbourhoods at a low cost when not in use for programming

- iii. to continue to hire local instructors to facilitate the tennis programming at the facility;
- iv. that the Premises be for the purposes of the City and for public use; and
- v. that the City have the right to recover the benefits provided to the Operator should the use of the Premises change.

with the exemptions being effective for the purpose of obtaining a building permit from the latest of the by-law is enacted or the date of execution of the Municipal Capital Facility Agreement.

2. City Council direct the City Clerk to give written notice of the By-law to the Minister of Finance.
3. City Council direct the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer and the City Solicitor to take any necessary steps to implement City Council's decision.

Summary

Doug Philpott Inner City Children's Tennis (DPICCT) is a charitable organization that operates tennis programs to children in priority neighbourhoods across the City at no cost. DPICCT currently operates a tennis program on courts located at 15 San Romanoway, located in the Jane and Finch neighbourhood. The courts are located on the same property as and are immediately adjacent to and are complementary to a facility used for other local community activities located at 15 San Romanoway including the Palisades Centre for Early Learning, and the San Romanoway Revitalization Association (SRRW).

While the tennis courts do not connect to the adjacent community facility, DPICCT has arranged for use of the washrooms within the facility. DPICCT has also partnered with the SRRW to provide Breakfast and Afterschool assistance for the children in the San Romanoway neighbourhood and wider Jane-Finch Community.

All of the facilities are located on lands owned by Greenwin Corp. Greenwin Corp. provides affordable housing opportunities as well as other initiatives to break the cycle of poverty through mental health support, physical fitness and sports programming, food and nutrition education and other organized activities, with community stakeholders such as DPICCT. Greenwin Corp. offers the land at no cost and financially assists with the maintenance of the facility and is contributing to the cost of resurfacing the courts. DPICCT wishes to erect a bubble over the existing tennis courts so that its youth programming can continue to be offered throughout the year. The costs of delivering the programming and construction of the bubble are from funds raised by donors and through grants. DPICCT has filed a building permit application to construct the bubble however, given the funding constraints, cannot pay the fees for development charges or parkland levies to the City of the education development charges owing to the TCDSB. DPICCT has requested that the TCDSB waive the education development charges for the project. In effort to continue with the construction of the bubble to offer the tennis programming, DPICCT has asked the City, through Councillor Perruzza's office, to assist.

Pursuant to the development charges and the parkland dedication by-laws, contained in Chapter 415 of the Municipal Code, fees in the amount of \$ 759,818.82 and \$ 11,067.59 are required to be paid respectively, on building permit issuance for the tennis bubble. Section 252 of the City

of Toronto Act allows municipalities to enter into agreements to provide financial assistance and development charges exemptions for municipal capital facilities.

Background Information (City Council)

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