

Authority to Accept Monetary and In-kind Archival Donations to Toronto Archives

Date: October 23, 2024
To: Executive Committee
From: City Clerk
Wards: All

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to request approval from City Council to accept three 2024 in-kind archival donations from photographers Vid Ingelevics (\$122,600), Robert Burley (\$86,500), and Ted Yarwood (estimated at \$50,000), and an additional monetary donation of \$34,074.07 from the Estate of Katherine Anne Hartley to Toronto Archives bringing the total donation to \$197,037.03.

The value of these donations exceeds or is estimated to exceed the \$50,000 threshold for donation acceptance under the [Donations to the City of Toronto for Community Benefits Policy](#). City Council approval is required in accordance with [Municipal Code Chapter 71 Financial Control](#), where the value of this bequest exceeds the \$50,000 threshold for division heads to accept and spend donated funds under Article X, Section 71-19.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Clerk recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the City Clerk, or their designate, to accept these in-kind archival donations from Vid Ingelevics, Robert Burley, and Ted Yarwood for Toronto Archives.
2. City Council authorize the City Clerk, or their designate, to accept an additional donation of \$34,074.07 from the Estate of Katherine Anne Hartley for the Toronto Archives bringing the total donation to \$197,037.03.
3. City Council increase the 2024 Operating Budget for City Clerk's by \$34,074.07 gross, \$0 net, one-time, to deposit the donation into the Clerks Equipment Reserve (XQ1507), and authorize the City Clerk, or their designate, to withdraw the donated amount to support future programming in the Toronto Archives.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The donated records will be used to enhance Toronto Archives' holdings while the monetary donation will be used to support Toronto Archives' future programming. There are no future year pressures created from accepting these donations.

The monetary donation will be held in the City Clerks Equipment Reserve (XQ1507) until funding is required for future programming. A budget request will be submitted when funds are to be utilized.

The Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

DECISION HISTORY

EX13.10 - Authority to Accept Bequest Donation to Toronto Archives

On April 17, 2024, City Council authorized the City Clerk, or their designate, to accept the donation of \$162,962.96 from Katherine Anne Hartley for Toronto Archives and to deposit the donation into Clerks Equipment Reserve (XQ1507), and to withdraw the donated amount from Clerks Equipment Reserve (XQ1507) to support programming in the Toronto Archives.

COMMENTS

In 2024, the Toronto Archives received archival in-kind donations from three prominent Toronto photographers: Vid Ingelevics (\$122,600), Robert Burley (\$86,500), and Ted Yarwood (monetary appraisal scheduled for November 2024, estimated at or around \$50,000). Tax receipts will be issued pending Council approval.

Subsequent to the donation of \$162,962.96 from the Estate of Katherine Anne Hartley which City Council authorized the City Clerk to accept, a further donation of \$34,074.07 from the Estate is made in 2024 increasing the total donation to \$197,037.03 to date. A further donation is expected in 2025, the amount of which is still to be determined. These donations will be used to support Toronto Archives programming.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

None