

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM18.1	ACTION			Ward: 4
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Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds for Essential Structural Work to the Community Non-Profit Affordable Rental Housing Building at 1501 Queen Street West - by Councillor Gord Perks, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ausma Malik

** 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.*

**A revised Motion was posted on May 22, 2024.*

Recommendations

Councillor Gord Perks, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ausma Malik, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the Executive Director, Housing Secretariat, subject to Recommendation 3 below to provide \$1,221,924.47 in funding, inclusive of Harmonized Sales Tax and disbursements to the Parkdale Activity-Recreation Centre (Toronto) to address structural issues at the affordable rental housing building at 1501 Queen Street West, fully funded from the following development:

a. 1182 and 1221 King Street West, secured for affordable housing in Ward 4 - Parkdale-High Park (Source Account: XR3026-3701180).

2. City Council authorize the Executive Director, Housing Secretariat to negotiate and execute on behalf of the City an agreement with the Parkdale Activity-Recreation Centre (Toronto), or an amendment to the existing agreement with the Parkdale Activity-Recreation Centre (Toronto) under the Ontario Priorities Housing Initiative, to secure the financial assistance being provided and set out the terms for the renovation of the housing at 1501 Queen Street West, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Executive Director, Housing Secretariat, and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor.

3. City Council increase the 2024 Operating Budget for the Housing Secretariat by \$1,221,924.47 gross, \$0 net, to be payable to the Parkdale Activity-Recreation Centre (Toronto) subject to the funds being secured through an agreement as set out in Recommendation 2 above.

Summary

This Motion seeks authority to provide a non-profit community housing provider, the Parkdale Activity-Recreation Centre (PARC), with Section 37 funding in the amount of \$1,221,924.47 to

complete the restoration of the thirty-eight unit affordable rental housing building at 1501 Queen Street West.

PARC previously received Ontario Priorities Housing Initiative funding from the City for repair work at the property that included electrical upgrades, fire safety and security upgrades, plumbing and Building Code compliance items, partial window replacements, as well as masonry repairs.

This funded work is currently underway, however serious structural issues have been discovered that were not originally identified, including extensive structural damage to the west masonry wall and roof supports.

This motion will allow critical structural issues to be addressed at the property.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM18.1

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-245649.pdf>)