

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM18.3	ACTION			Ward: All
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Amending Items 2023.CC5.6 and 2023.MM6.28 - Terms of Reference for the Housing Rights Advisory Committee for 2022-2026 City Council Term - by Councillor Gord Perks, 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.*

** The Housing Rights Advisory Committee has submitted a transmittal on this Item (MM18.3a) with recommendations.*

Recommendations

Councillor Gord Perks, seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo recommends that:

1. Notwithstanding City Council's decision regarding honoraria for Council Advisory Bodies in Part 277 of Item [2021.EX21.2](#) - 2021 Capital and Operating Budgets, City Council amend Section B, Composition and Term, of the Terms of Reference for the Housing Rights Advisory Committee by amending Part 7 to add the words "or working group" after the words "per meeting", and deleting the words "Honoraria payments will be available to the maximum number of meetings approved by City Council for the Advisory Committee, as specified in this Terms of Reference", so that Part 7 now reads as follows:

7. Advisory Committee public members will be eligible to receive an honorarium of \$125.00 per meeting or working group attended in recognition of the contributions they are providing to Toronto. The Advisory Committee's honoraria payments are subject to the following:

a. honoraria are not intended for public members who serve on the Advisory Committee as representatives of organizations or businesses where they are employed;

b. public members who serve as the Chair or Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee are not eligible for any additional honoraria; and

c. honoraria are not paid for attendance at sub-committee meetings or events.

Summary

On May 13, 2024, the Housing Rights Advisory Committee approved unanimously a motion to request that City Council revise the Terms of Reference for the committee to allow for honoraria to be paid to public members for working group meetings. Recognizing that public members of the Housing Rights Advisory Committee who are not otherwise compensated by their workplace, and are bringing subject matter expertise, including lived/living experience of homelessness or housing precarity, are needed in order for the Housing Rights Advisory Committee to fulfill its mandate.

It is a matter of equity that their time be compensated for this contribution to the work of the City.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM18.3

(May 13, 2024) Transmittal from the Housing Rights Advisory Committee on Honorarium Payable to Housing Rights Advisory Committee Public Members for Working Group Participation (MM18.3a)

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-245827.pdf>)