

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM18.13	ACTION			Ward: 13
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Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds and Section 45 Funds to Enhance Access to Recreation at the Regent Park Athletic Grounds - by Councillor Chris Moise, seconded by Councillor Paula Fletcher

** 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 Chris Moise, seconded by Councillor Paula Fletcher, recommends that:

1. City Council amend Parks, Forestry and Recreation's 2024 Capital Budget and 2025-2033 Capital Plan to create a new Service Improvement capital sub-project known as Regent Park Storage Shed and Zamboni Storage Hut in the Arena project, with a project cost of \$433,655 gross and \$0 debt in 2024, and cash flow commitments of \$25,000 in 2024 and \$408,655 in 2025, fully funded by Section 37 and 45 funds received from 88 Queen Street East, 10 Mutual Street and parts of 30-50 Mutual Street, to proceed with a new storage shed and electrified zamboni storage hut at Regent Park Outdoor Artificial Ice Rink to address community programming at the recreational facility:

a. \$100,655 from Section 37 received from 88 Queen Street East, 10 Mutual Street and parts of 30-50 Mutual Street (Source Account: XR3026-3701155), with cash flow commitments of \$25,000 in 2024 and \$75,655 in 2025; and

b. \$333,000 from Section 45 received from 88 Queen Street East, 10 Mutual Street and parts of 30-50 Mutual Street (Source Account: XR3028-4500247), with cash flow commitments in 2025.

Summary

This motion requests authority from City Council to amend the 2024-2033 Capital Budget and Plan for Parks, Forestry and Recreation to create a capital project to proceed with a new storage shed and electrified zamboni storage hut at Regent Park Outdoor Artificial Ice Rink to enhance community programming at the recreational facility. The project is classified as a Service Improvement with a project cost and cash flow commitments of \$433,655 gross and \$0 debt in 2024, fully funded by Section 37 and Section 45 funds obtained from the development 88 Queen Street East, 10 Mutual Street and parts of 30-50 Mutual Street (source account: XR3026-3701155). The funds have been received and are eligible for these purposes. Any

incremental operating impacts will be submitted for consideration through future budget submissions.

Ice skating is an expensive sport that requires equipment, facilities, classes and constant equipment maintenance. This investment into the Regent Park Athletics Grounds will give Regent Park children and youth more opportunities to participate in sports and provide additional access to outdoor leisure activities for the community.

Installing the shed will allow a zamboni to be stored on-site during the winter to allow for more frequent ice maintenance. As the existing electrical service located in the rink building cannot support the increased requirement to use an electric zamboni, a power transformer is required by Toronto Hydro, which these funds would pay for. In addition, a storage unit will provide additional storage for winter equipment and the potential creation of a skate-lending program to help youth within Regent Park access the rink. During the summer, maintenance equipment would be stored on-site.

Background Information (City Council)

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(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-245749.pdf>)