

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM18.15	ACTION			Ward: 14
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Granting a Nominal Licence to the East York Historical Society for Space in the Basement of East York Civic Centre - by Councillor Paula Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the General Government Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

**A revised Motion was posted on May 21, 2024.*

Recommendations

Councillor Paula Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the Executive Director, Corporate Real Estate Management, to enter into a nominal license agreement, for a term of five (5) years, with a renewal option for an additional five (5) years, with the East York Historical Society to use 132 square feet of the basement of East York Civic Centre, 850 Coxwell Avenue, for storage of historical archives and artifacts, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Executive Director, Corporate Real Estate Management, or their designate, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Summary

The East York Historical Society, a non-profit organization has requested to use space in the basement of East York Civic Center to store historical archives and artifacts. Other East York organizations, particularly the East York Foundation, have similar arrangements. Much of the old City of East York's art collection is stored at the Civic Centre as well.

Staff have identified 132 square feet of unused space in the basement that could accommodate this use.

This year is the 100th anniversary of East York so finding a permanent home for the East York Historical society materials is a fitting way to ensure that the legacy and history of one of Toronto's pre-amalgamation cities is preserved.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM18.15

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-245753.pdf>