

## City Council

### Notice of Motion

MM22.16	ACTION			Ward: 12
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### **Authorization to Release Section 45 Funds to STEPS Public Art for Implementation of a Public Mural at 840 St. Clair Avenue West - by Josh Matlow 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.*

#### **Recommendations**

Councillor Josh Matlow, seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the 2024 Operating Budget for Non-Program by \$20,000.00 gross, \$0 net, fully funded by Section 45 (Planning Act Reserve Fund) community benefits at 829-835 St. Clair Avenue West (Source Account: XR3028-4500166) for the purpose of forwarding one-time funds to STEPS Public Art for a mural on the side of the building at 840 St. Clair Avenue West (Cost Centre: NP2161).
2. City Council direct that the \$20,000.00 be forwarded to STEPS Public Art, subject to the organization signing an Undertaking governing the use of the funds and the financial reporting requirements.

#### **Summary**

This Motion seeks to contribute one-time capital funding amounted to \$20,000.00 of Section 45 funds, to assist STEPS Public Art with the implementation of a mural on the side of 840 St. Clair Avenue West.

STEPS Public Art is a charitable cultural organization that engages artists and communities to transform public spaces into vibrant places through public art, cultural planning, and artist capacity building supports. Together with their partners they help artists, community organizations, municipalities, and Business Improvement Areas push creative boundaries.

STEPS is collaborating with local stakeholders to determine the project theme and has curated a shortlist of Toronto-based artists with cultural or geographical ties to the community. The project is both locally inspired and community-driven.

#### **Background Information (City Council)**

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<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-249178.pdf>