City Council

Motion without Notice

MM22.30	ACTION			Ward: 13
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Municipal Code Amendment - Exemptions for Dwelling Rooms - Councillor Chris Moise, seconded by Councillor Gord Perks

- * This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.
- * This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.

Recommendations

Councillor Chris Moise, seconded by Councillor Gord Perks, recommends that:

1. City Council exempt 268 Seaton Street from the parkland dedication requirements in relation to Building Permit Application 23 216916 BLD 00 SR which proposes the development of Dwelling Rooms to be located in the Multi-Tenant House at this address.

Summary

City Council adopted <u>Item 2023.CC2.1 - 2023 Housing Action Plan</u>, which introduced a new regulatory framework for Multi-Tenant Houses. Through the adoption of this item, Council directed Staff to provide exemptions from certain City fees and charges for Multi-Tenant Houses. An exemption was not advanced for the parkland dedication requirement, under of Article II of the Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 415, Development of Land. An amendment to the parkland dedication article of the Municipal Code to provide an exemption from the parkland dedication requirement for dwelling rooms within Multi-Tenant Houses is consistent with the exemptions that apply to other growth funding tools for this form of housing.

At its meeting of July 24 and 25, 2024, City Council adopted Item 2024.MM20.30 which directed the General Manager Parks, Forestry and Recreation, in consultation with the Executive Director Municipal Licensing and Standards, City Solicitor and Chief Financial Officer to bring forward an amendment to the Municipal Code to provide an exemption from the parkland dedication requirement for Dwelling Rooms. Staff have advised that this report will be brought forward by the end of 2024.

The property owner of 268 Seaton Street has applied for a Building Permit (23 216916 BLD 00 SR) to legalize an existing Multi-Tenant House under the City's new framework. This Motion would advance the City Council direction for a parkland levy fee exemption for Dwelling Rooms on this site in advance of the Municipal Code amendment in order to expedite the issuance of this building permit for this Multi-Tenant House.

This motion is urgent because it contains a time-sensitive request so we can expedite the building of much-needed affordable housing.

Background Information (City Council)

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