City Council

Motion without Notice

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Showing Toronto's Pride - 50 Years with the City of Toronto's Flag - by Councillor Mike Colle, seconded by Councillor Frances Nunziata

- * 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 Mike Colle, seconded by Councillor Frances Nunziata, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Executive Director of Corporate Real Estate Management to report to the General Government Committee by the third quarter of 2025 on opportunities to have the City of Toronto's flag flown, or prominently displayed, at additional City facilities where operationally feasible – including but not limited to Civic Centres, and other prominent City of Toronto buildings and offices.

Summary

Toronto recently celebrated the 50th anniversary of the adoption of our City's flag on November 7th, 2024. Designed by then George Brown College graphic design student Rene DeSantis, Toronto's flag has been flown since 1974 after a highly competitive public design competition.

City Council re-affirmed this flag once again in 1999, when it was adopted overwhelmingly by the Council of the newly amalgamated City of Toronto.

As a City, we should be proud of this enduring symbol by ensuring that our flag holds a place of honour in our public facilities – whether flown on a flagpole, or otherwise displayed on premises.

The reason for urgency for this motion is to coincide with a celebration of the 50th anniversary of the City of Toronto's flag at City Hall on Thursday, November 14th.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM23.28