



NOTICE OF MOTION

Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds for Ward 13 2025 Participatory Budgeting Projects for Bay Cloverhill, Bloor East, Church Wellesley and Upper Jarvis Neighbourhoods

Moved by: Councillor Moise

Seconded by: Councillor Carroll

SUMMARY:

Participatory Budgeting (PB) is a system of direct democracy where residents imagine how their neighbourhood could be improved, suggest potential ideas and then vote on how funds are spent to improve their community through capital projects.

Between April 1 and November 1, 2025, my office hosted online and in-person engagements with local residents and business improvement areas to crowdsource ideas. These ideas were then vetted for cost and feasibility with City staff and presented to the local community to vote on which projects they would like to see funded.

In the Bay Cloverhill, Bloor East, Church Wellesley and Upper Jarvis Neighbourhoods, two projects supported by the local community fit within the allocated budget of \$750,000:

- Wellesley-Magill Park Revitalization
- James Canning Park Small Dogs Off Leash Area

The release of funds for these projects will allow for locally supported capital projects to move forward in a timely manner.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. City Council amends Parks and Recreation's 2026 Capital Budget and Plan to:
 - a. Create a new capital sub-project known as the Wellesley Magill Revitalization Project in the Park Development project, with a project cost and cash flow of \$250,000.00 gross and \$0 debt in 2026, fully funded by Section 37 community benefits obtained from the development at 59 Richmond Street E and 144 and 130 Church Street secured for outdoor public realm and parkland improvements (Source Account: XR3026-3701221), for the purpose of revitalizing Wellesley Magill Park.
 - b. Create a new capital sub-project known as the James Canning Park Dog Off Leash Area Project in the Park Development project, with a project cost and cash flow of \$500,000.00 gross and \$0 debt in 2026, fully funded by Section 37 community benefits obtained from the development at 59 Richmond Street E and 144 and 130 Church Street secured for outdoor public realm and parkland improvements (Source Account: XR3026-3701221), for the purpose of installing a new Dog Off Leash Area at James Canning Park.

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APPENDIX A: LIST OF PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING PROJECTS**PARKS & RECREATION**

Project	Description	Address	S.37 allocated
PB 2025 - Wellesley Magill Park Revitalization <i>(PB20225-PR-665)</i>	This idea proposes to revitalize Wellesley-Magill Park, dependent on the resident visioning and idea collection process of how the park should be utilized by residents. Work such as irrigation, fencing, and artificial turf is currently being considered. If supported, this idea would undergo Parks & Recreation Capital evaluation and a community consultation process.	125 Homewood Ave, Toronto, ON M4Y 0A6	\$250,000
PB2025 - James Canning Park Small Dogs Off Leash Area <i>(PB2025-PR-670)</i>	This idea proposes to revitalize the underused green space on the Southeast side of James Canning Park into a fenced small dog off-leash area.	15 Gloucester St, Toronto, ON M4Y 1L8	\$500,000