

MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE

Release of Section 42 Funds for Waterfront Parks in Ward 14

Moved by: Councillor

Paula Fletcher

Seconded by: Councillor

Ausma Malik

SUMMARY:

This motion seeks to fund the beautification of waterfront parks in Ward 14. This motion proposes to direct funding from Parks and Recreation's approved 10-year Capital Budget and Plan for the purchase of additional waste receptacle enclosures for the beautification of Biidaasige Park and Leslie Lookout.

Biidaasige Park, which was opened last summer and the new Biidaasige park Phase 2 which will open this summer are exceptional new city parks on the Waterfront, built into the Michael van Valkenburg's design for the Portland Flood Protection Project. They were built by Waterfront Toronto on Toronto Port Lands Company (TPLC) lands and in consultation with the city. Prior to the park opening last summer, and in response to request from City Council ([2025.EX22.3](#)), Parks and Recreation, in consultation with Solid Waste Management, purchased waste receptacle enclosures to hold the Blue and Grey large totes used in our parks in order to complement the setting of the new park. However, there were not enough receptacles available to distribute them evenly throughout the park.

Leslie Lookout is one of five Claude Cormier designed parks on Toronto's waterfront. Claude Cormier was a one of Canada's foremost and internationally recognized landscape architects and park designers. This motion would allow for additional attractive waste receptacle enclosures for the large totes that Solid Waste uses in the park.

Reason for Urgency: Following the City's successful Port Lands Open House this month, there is clear and significant resident interest in additional waste receptacles in waterfront parks in Ward 14. With the upcoming opening of Biidaasige Park Phase 2, planning for waste management capacity is required ahead of the summer season to address anticipated demand, respond to community concerns, and maintain public confidence in municipal services.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. City Council authorize the use of up to \$160,000 from the Biidaasige Park Account (CPR126-58) for the purpose of the procurement and installation of waste receptacle enclosures at Biidaasige Park (Phase 1 and Phase 2) and Leslie Lookout Park;
2. City Council direct the General Manager, Parks and Recreation, in consultation with the General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services, to procure and install waste receptacle enclosures consistent with those currently in use at Biidaasige Park, and to

complete installation across Biidaasige Park (Phase 1 and Phase 2) and Leslie Lookout Park;

3. City Council direct the General Manager, Solid Waste Management Services, to provide ongoing waste collection services for the additional waste receptacle enclosures installed at Biidaasige Park and Leslie Lookout Park

Date: March 25 and 26, 2026