

MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE

Love Parade – Remembering Claude Cormier

Moved by: Councillor Paula Fletcher

Seconded by: Councillor Ausma Malik

SUMMARY:

The late Claude Cormier (1960-2023) was an outstanding Canadian landscape architect whose firm CCxA designed 5 beautiful landmark parks - HTO, Love Park, Berczy, Sugar Beach and Leslie Lookout – along Toronto’s Waterfront.

This string of five original, exceptional, colourful, whimsical and joyous waterfront parks by this prestigious Canadian landscape designer and his studio is unique and should be celebrated. Love Parade! 2026 can be the start of such a recognition initiative could become part of the city’s waterfront story for visitors to Toronto as well as Torontonians who love parks and green spaces.

Reason for Urgency: This matter is deemed urgent as the need to recognize and celebrate these outstanding landmarks is best achieved in the current season.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1) City Council recognize the significance of 5 outstanding parks by the late Claude Cormier his studio Claude Cormier and Associates along Toronto’s Waterfront and request the Director, Waterfront Secretariat and to
 - a) work with General Manager, Parks and Recreation, Waterfront Toronto, CreateTO, the OALA and the local Councillors in the development and promotion of “Love Parade! Remembering Claude Cormier” with a bike tour of these Waterfront Parks to take place in May, 2026.
 - b) work with General Manager, Economic Development and Culture, and other partners, such as OALA and Bikeshare, on the feasibility and promotion of these 5 parks being part of the Visitor Experience for Toronto’s Waterfront.

Date: April 22 & 23, 2026