

NOTICE OF MOTION

Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds from the development at 1478-1496 Kingston Road for a decorative Pedestrian Crossing at Kingston Rd at Eastwood Avenue

Moved by: Councillor

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Seconded by: Councillor

Burnside

SUMMARY:

Royal Canadian Legion Scarborough Branch 13 has been a cornerstone of the Birch Cliff community for more than a century. Operating from the Scarborough Veterans Memorial Hall at 1577 Kingston Road, built in 1922 following the First World War, the Branch has provided generations of veterans, their families and local residents with a place of remembrance, fellowship and community service.

Reflecting strong advocacy from local residents, veterans, and community members, a new signalized pedestrian crossing at Kingston Road and Kildonan Drive/Eastwood Avenue in front of the Legion is currently being installed. This initiative, intended to improve safety for seniors, veterans, people with disabilities and other vulnerable road users, was successfully approved by Scarborough Community Council and City Council and is now moving toward implementation by this fall.

This motion would advance funds to decorate the new crosswalk, serving as a daily reminder of the courage and sacrifice of Canada's veterans, establish a distinguished gateway to Branch 13 and strengthen the connection between Kingston Road's future growth and the neighbourhood's proud history. It is a modest investment with an enduring civic impact and strong community support would honour those who served while creating a safer, more welcoming and meaningful public realm for generations to come.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. City Council increase the Approved 2026-2035 Capital Budget and Plan for Transportation Services, on a one-time basis by \$27,000 gross, \$0 debt, from the development at 1478-1496 Kingston Road (Source Account: XR3026-3701343) to be utilized for local streetscape improvements, in consultation with the local councillor and community, in the form of decorative pedestrian crossing at Kingston and Eastwood Avenue (CTP726-07).