

Motion to Waive Development Charge Fees Eden Food for Change

Moved by: Councillor Matt Mahoney

Seconded by: Councillor Martin Reid

Whereas Eden Food for Change has been serving hungry families in the community since 1989 and became an informal food bank where people would donate food and hungry families could access food;

AND Whereas in 1990 became an official program at Eden United Church;

AND Whereas in 2002 Eden Food Bank was incorporate and became an official registered charity;

AND Whereas in 2009 overwhelmed with donations, Eden Food Bank grew to a second location;

AND Whereas Eden Food Bank works to be a place where everyone in western Mississauga can be a part of a community focused on good food;

AND Whereas their kitchen programs teach people the skills and knowledge to provide healthy meals; officially launched in 2013 to provide cooking classes for food bank recipients;

AND Whereas in 2014, they adapted again to meet the needs of the community and transitioned away from stereotypical food bank model of food collection and distribution to a community food create model that better responds to the needs of hungry families;

AND Whereas in 2015 became Eden Food for Change to reflect all the work they do;

And Whereas in 2023 Eden Food for Change has been approved for permit to build a mezzanine and kitchen expansion;

And Whereas the development charges associated with this building permit application, BP 3ALT 22 4547, to July 31, 2023 amount to \$58,308.66;

- *City of Mississauga \$19,269.90 / Region of Peel \$37,468.98 / Peel District School Board \$801.90 / Dufferin Peel Catholic School Board \$767.88*

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that a grant-in-lieu, to be funded by Tax Capital Reserve Fund #33121, of development charges be provided on the City's portion of the Growth Charges Invoice for BP 3ALT 22 4547 to Eden Food for Change so they may allocate the funds to serve the over 2,000 and growing families that require food bank assistance on a weekly basis.

Matt Mahoney