

Deputy Mayor **Stephen Holyday**

Councillor, Ward 2 Etobicoke Centre

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Dear Friends of Silver Creek,

Thank you for your continuous efforts to beautify Etobicoke Centre and advocate for improved parks and upgraded resources throughout our community. This type of volunteer work is very helpful in guiding the Parks, Forestry and Recreation Department and my office in community sentiment and how best to allocate funds.

I have personally met with you on two occasions and a member of my staff met with you once onsite to tour several parks. You have also been in contact with City staff in Parks, Forestry & Recreation. Throughout our meetings Friends of Silver Creek has outlined the projects which they feel are needed and how they can best be implemented.

I have also provided you with information regarding Section 37 and 42 funding derived from our local developments.

My role as a City Councillor is to ensure that any and all development related funds are spent appropriately in our community, which is the purpose of those funds. My role subsequently is to request that City staff develop projects and I have done so for:

4800 Eglinton Avenue West: Richview Park 4780 Eglinton Avenue West: Warrender Park 4750 Eglinton Avenue West: Silver Creek Park

I have also asked that City staff work with my office as required and plan to hold community consultations on project planning. These consultations are forthcoming and I would encourage Friends of Silver Creek to attend and participate.

In terms of timelines for the Section funding I can assure you that it can be spent at any time and there is no deadline. My office will continue to work with Parks, Forestry and Recreation to determine the feasibility and accommodate these projects. The process however is for my office to work with Parks staff to determine suitability and Parks Capital will advise on implementation and timelines.

Once the dates of these consultations are determined, the community will be notified.

Should you have any additional inquiries please do not hesitate to contact my office at 416-392-4002.

Sincerely

Stephen Holyday Deputy Mayor

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