



MEMBER MOTION

Section 5.4.4(b) of Procedure By-law

Meeting:	Council
Meeting Date:	June 8 th , 2022
Subject/Title:	Richmond Green Park – Elgin Mills Road East Main Entrance Installation of Additional Sidewalk on Eastside
Submitted by:	Councillor Liu

Whereas, Richmond Green Park was built in 2005 (17 years ago);

Whereas, Richmond Green is the jewel and epicenter of the City;

Whereas, safety should be the first priority for all residents and park patrons;

Whereas, The Richmond Green Sports Centre and Park has the following features:

- 26,000 sq. ft. indoor Richmond Green Sports Centre
- Seasonal Indoor Sports Dome
- State-of-the-art skateboarding park
- Seasonal Bocce Courts - Now Open for 2022
- 250 m landscaped inline skating trail, turned into an outdoor ice skating trail during the winter
- Boynton House Art Exhibition Space
- Richmond Green Heritage Walk, self-guided tour through Richmond Hill's Legacy of Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow
- Tom Graham Arena Complex with two ice
- Water play park with splash pad
- An agricultural barn and paddock
- A soccer league
- Three outdoor soccer fields (one junior and two senior fields)
- Seven ball diamonds (three baseball and four softball diamonds)
- An outdoor basketball court
- An outdoor Amphitheatre that seats up to 300 people
- Picnic areas and shelters

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Whereas, Richmond Green also serves as COVID vaccination clinic and polling centre;

Whereas, many residents use the entrance at Elgin Mills and Redstone to access the park (e.g. Moms with strollers, seniors going for Bocce, dog walkers, students walking to school, residents going for skate park and soccer, etc);

Whereas, there is only ONE sidewalk on the west side of the entrance;

Whereas, it is an eyesore and major inconvenience for the local community, as the east side has no sidewalk but pebbles, dust and puddles;

Whereas, with the heavy pedestrian traffic, it posts a major safety issue with only one sidewalk at the entrance;

Whereas, frustrated residents have complained on this for many years

Therefore be it resolved that:

a/ Staff to install a sidewalk on the east side of the Richmond Green Park entrance before the end of 2022;

b/ Staff finds the funding source within our budget to fund this project.

Moved by: Councillor Liu

Seconded by: