

MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

Committee of the Whole (2) Report

DATE: Tuesday, September 20, 2022

TITLE: ALTERNATIVE LOCATION FOR A LOCAL OFF-LEASH DOG AREA IN WARD 3

FROM:

Councillor Rosanna DeFrancesca

Whereas, on June 22, 2021, Council approved the Local Off-Leash Dog Area Strategy to guide the creation of new off-leash dog areas at select locations city-wide; and

Whereas, on June 22, 2021, Council approved an implementation plan and associated funding for development of a second primary off-leash dog park at Major Mackenzie Drive/Hwy 27 and six (6) local off-leash areas at the following locations: Chancellor District Park, Mackenzie Glen District Park, Matthew District Park, Legion Park, Sugar Bush Heritage Park, and one site in Ward 5 to be located east of Bathurst Street; and

Whereas, staff has engaged a contractor and commenced the implementation of the first five (5) local off-leash areas at the following locations: Chancellor District Park, Mackenzie Glen District Park, Matthew District Park, Legion Park, and Sugar Bush Heritage Park; and

Whereas, additional consultation with local residents adjacent to Chancellor District Park was conducted in August 2022 with many expressing concerns for locating an offleash dog area at Chancellor District Park.

It is therefore recommended:

- 1. That Staff review alternative locations to implement a local-off-leash dog area in Block 37, including a review of Giovanni Caboto Park, and engage the local community to seek input on a final proposed location; and
- 2. That Staff report back with a final proposed location for an off-leash dog area for Council's consideration in Q1 2023.