

Motion

Agenda Number: 20.2

Date: June 22, 2023

Moved by Councillor Mahoney

Seconded by Councillor 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, have received an invoice from the City of Mississauga for Growth Charges in the amount of \$57,174.66;

- City of Mississauga \$18,135.90 / Region of Peel \$37,468.98 / Peel District School Board \$801.90 / Dufferin Peel Catholic School Board \$767.88

Now therefore be it resolved:

1. That the Growth Charges for the *Region of Peel* in the amount of \$37,468.98 be waived for Eden Food for Change so they may allocate the funds to serve the over 2000 and growing families that require food bank assistance on a weekly bases.