



## Exhibition Place

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### **MEMBER MOTION**

### **NOTICE OF MOTION**

**Public Art on Exhibition Place Grounds – by Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Gord Perks.**

#### **Recommendations:**

**Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Gord Perks, recommends that:**

**The Chief Executive Officer, with relevant City staff, report to the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place on the following matters:**

- 1) Background information with respect to the acquisition of the Garden of the Greek Gods statues by Exhibition Place;**
- 2) Strategies for short-term and long-term protection, promotion, and public access to the Garden of the Greek Gods statues located at Exhibition Place; and**
- 3) The development of a public art protection and promotion strategy for all public art on the grounds of Exhibition Place.**

#### **Summary**

Since 1979, the statues in the Garden of the Greek Gods have been proudly displayed on the Exhibition Place grounds south of the Horticulture building. For over 30 years, these 20 pieces of art have acted as entertainment for all those who travel through this part of the Exhibition Place grounds.

In recent years, the expansion of Muzik Nightclub has absorbed many of these statues as part of their patio and will continue to do so with their most recent planned expansion. This renders the statues off-limits for public viewing as was originally intended.



# Councillor **Mike Layton**

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May 22, 2014

Dear Chair and Members of the Exhibition Place Board of Governors,

**Re: Garden of the Greek Gods by E.B Cox**

Since 1979, the statues in the Garden of the Greek Gods have been proudly displayed on the Exhibition Place grounds south of the Horticulture building. For over 30 years, these 20 pieces of art have acted as entertainment for all those who travel through this part of the Exhibition Place grounds.

In recent years, the expansion of Muzik Nightclub has absorbed many of these statues as part of their patio and will continue to do so with their most recent planned expansion. This renders the statues off-limits for public viewing as was originally intended.

**Therefore, I request that the CEO, in consultation with relevant city staff, report to the Board of Governors on:**

1. Background information about the acquisition of the Garden of the Greek Gods statues by Exhibition Place.
2. Strategies for short term and long term protection, promotion and public access to the Garden of the Greek Gods statues at Exhibition Place.
3. The development of a public art protection and promotion strategy for all public art on the Exhibition Place grounds.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

In community,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Mike Layton'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Mike' and last name 'Layton' clearly legible.

Mike Layton  
City Councillor  
Ward 19, Trinity-Spadina