FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT 25 26 MAY 2021

EXTRACT OF DRAFT MINUTES 25 FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE 18 MAY 2021 COMITÉ DES FINANCES ET DU DÉVELOPPEMENT ÉCONOMIQUE RAPPORT 25 LE 26 MAI 2021

EXTRAIT DE L'ÉBAUCHE DU PROCÈS-VERBAL 25 COMITÉ DES FINANCE ET DU DÉVELOPPEMENT ÉCONOMIQUE LE 18 MAI 2021

6. MONTREAL ROAD COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN APPLICATION FROM MRAK HOLDINGS INC. FOR 458 MONTREAL ROAD

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RIDEAU-ROCKCLIFFE (13)

REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Finance and Economic Development Committee recommend Council:

- 1. Approve the Montreal Road Community Improvement Plan Grant Program Application submitted by Mrak Holdings Inc., owner of the property at 458 Montreal Road, for a Community Improvement Plan Grant not to exceed \$2,910,171 over a maximum period of 10 years, subject to the establishment of, and in accordance with the terms and conditions of a Community Improvement Grant Agreement; and
- 2. Delegate authority to the General Manager, Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development, to finalize and execute a Montreal Road Community Improvement Plan Grant Agreement with Mrak Holdings Inc., establishing the terms and conditions governing the payment of a Community Improvement Grant for the redevelopment of 458 Montreal Road, to the satisfaction of the City Manager, the City Clerk, the City Solicitor and the City Treasurer.

Don Herweyer, Director, Economic Development and Long Range Planning, Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development (PIED) spoke to a PowerPoint presentation. Mr. Herweyer was accompanied by Chris Cope,

Economic Development Office, PIED. A copy of the presentation is held on file with the City Clerk.

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The Committee then heard from the following public delegations who spoke in support of the application, noting how the company provides support to the community; their commitment and relationship with the community, including Boys and Girls Club; and the job opportunities that would be provided should this application be approved:

- Christine McCuaig spoke on behalf of the Mrak Motors owners
- Lisa and Michael Mrak, owners
- Mark Kaluski Chair, Vanier BIA
- Nathalie Carrier, Executive Director, Vanier BIA

The following individuals spoke against the application, noting the dealership does not fit with this community; should not receive city grants; and the conflicts of councillors who received contributions from this company:

- Sam Hersh
- Sarp Kizir
- Philippe Denault
- Laura Shantz
- Lisa MacLeod

Following questions and comments by members of Council, the area ward councillors spoke of the type of applications received to date; outlined the grant policy and process and noted their support to businesses on Montreal Road.

After discussion, the Committee CARRIED this item as presented.