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TO Core Planning Downtown

City Planning

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My name is Mr. Bruno Arnold, I am an active Board Member of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church Parish located at 520 Sherbourne St., Toronto, Ontario M4X 1K8.

I am submitting this letter on behalf of the Church to provide comments regarding the TO Core Plan Study and to let you know that we are open to including a Mixed- Use Development Designation for our Church Property located on Sherbourne Ave.

You'll note that our neighbourhood has seen major changes over the last few years, many of which are very positive indeed and we believe it would be prudent given the long term nature of this study to include the Church property in this context. We have seen an influx of high density residential projects both rental and condominium which are having a positive overall effect in the area.

We also remain committed to our work supporting those in need in our community and we believe our perspective on this could provide valuable input to the TO Core Plan Process.

We believe with some creative planning and sensitive design an integrated development plan could be advanced that would see new housing created for the community while simultaneously providing long term support for Our Lady of Lourdes Church property and buildings.

Our preliminary investigations reveal an opportunity to incorporate development concepts similar to the former Knights of Columbus and Charles Horace Gooderham House properties a few blocks away on Sherbourne St.

We look forward to reaching out to the Community, Planning Staff, and local Councillor to begin a dialogue that would take into account Our Lady of Lourdes Parish as part of the TO Core Plan Study Process.

Respectfully Submitted :



Mr. Bruno Arnold

cc: Father John Sullivan, SJ, Pastor