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Economic and Community Development Committee City of Toronto 100 Queen Street West, Toronto. Ontario M5H 2N2

To whom it may concern,

Re: Support for item EC: 18.12

On behalf of The Oakwood Village BIA, I am writing this letter today to express our full support for item EC: 18.12, Councillor Matlow's initiative to activate a new community space for youth in our Oakwood-Vaughan neighbourhood.

The creation of a sustainable community hub at the former Vaughan Road Collegiate site, is a long overdue response to address the root causes of violence in our neighbourhood. By investing in our youth through engagement rather than enforcement we are taking a proactive rather than reactive approach. This will create relationships that will benefit the Vaughan Oakwood community at large, now and in the future.

We are proud to issue our support for this most important initiative.

Yours truly,

Oakwood Village BIA

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Jeffrey P. Peters Chair

