



June 28, 2021

Toronto City Hall
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Attn: Nancy Martins, Secretariat

Dear Members of the Planning and Housing Committee:

**Re: Item PH25.7
The Future of Yonge and Eglinton's Canada Square: Supporting Midtown
Existing and Future Residents' Quality of Life - Special Study Area Report
City of Toronto Ward 3
TCDSB Trustee Ward 4**

The Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) has reviewed the special study area report for Yonge and Eglinton's Canada Square, scheduled for consideration by the Planning and Housing Committee on June 28, 2021.

Over the past decade, the TCDSB has experienced significant enrolment growth and pressure on local schools in the Yonge-Eglinton area, triggered by the intensity and volume of development applications. In response to this trend, the TCDSB has consistently requested notification signage on all new development sites indicating that TCDSB schools in Midtown are oversubscribed and that students may need to be accommodated in a Catholic school outside of their area.

Throughout the development approvals process as well as through consultation on the **Yonge-Eglinton Official Plan Amendment (OPA 405)** the TCDSB has maintained; through written submissions and meetings, that a school site is required to accommodate students generated from residential intensification in Midtown.

The TCDSB continues to pursue accommodation opportunities in the **Yonge-Eglinton area** and will continue to dialogue with City staff and CreateTO on potential opportunities such as the one presented at Canada Square.

In addition, the TCDSB has been actively working with City Planning on the **Broadway-Erskine Block Study** including participation in landowner and public meetings to identify options for the potential redevelopment of the area to the northeast of Yonge-Eglinton.

TCDSB had expressed interest in participating in the working group for Canada Square however no confirmation or meeting schedule was provided to Board staff.



The TCDSB continues to be supportive of CreateTO's and the City's efforts, vision and overall objectives in developing a plan for Canada Square and wishes to be involved in exploring the potential for TCDSB accommodation opportunities as part of this plan. The TCDSB formally requests to be included in any upcoming meetings and/or consultations on the future of Canada Square.

Should you require additional information regarding our comments, please contact Tomasz Oltarzewski, Supervisor of Planning at tomasz.oltarzewski@tcdsb.org

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael Loberto". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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