



July 12, 2022

TO: City of Toronto Executive Committee
RE: Update on Next Phase of Waterfront Revitalization
AGENDA ITEM: EX34.10
RECOMMENDATION: Support for Staff Recommendations

Dear Mayor Tory and Committee Members:

The St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association (SLNA) represents the interests of 30,000+ people who live in the neighbourhood. Our boundary on the east side is Yonge Street to Queen Street East, south on Parliament to the rail corridor. We are immediately north of our neighbours the East Waterfront Community Association. We are also founding members of the West Don Lands Committee. The St. Lawrence Neighbourhood Association (SLNA) is a not-for-profit organization incorporated in 1982. We support the staff recommendations with respect to the next phase of waterfront revitalization.

We are encouraged to see the focus on the four priorities set out in the staff report and fully support. It is important to commend the City for their leadership in being a part of this tripartite agency. Through the years we have seen the addition of the Waterfront Secretariat which has strengthened the relationship between Waterfront Toronto and the City. This agency is a great example of what can be done when three levels of government lean in and focus on waterfront revitalization.

We now have a track record of what can be done and look forward to seeing this legacy partnership continue. After many years of being engaged with this framework we see this model as key to continue the waterfront revitalization and continued success. Also, the SLNA is proud to be a part of community engagement Waterfront Toronto has undertaken over the years and also the engagement the City undertook in public and stakeholder engagement for this report.

We look forward to the next round of engagement and implementation of the next phase of waterfront revitalization. It is important that stakeholder engagement and Indigenous engagement continue. This is a model our community celebrates and see the benefits of this partnership with three levels of government allowing Waterfront Toronto the opportunity to focus on their mandate.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Kavanagh, Chair Development Committee
SAC member Waterfront Toronto

cc. Board of Directors, SLNA
Councillor Joe Mihevc