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**Planning Study for Ossington Avenue between Queen Street West and Dundas Street West** - by Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Sarah Doucette

* Notice of this Motion has been given.  
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Toronto and East York Community Council. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.

**Recommendations**

Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Sarah Doucette, recommends that:

1. City Council request the Director of Community Planning, Toronto and East York District, to:
   
a. undertake a review of the current built-form, density, height, and heritage value of the properties on Ossington Avenue between Queen Street West and Dundas Street West;

b. consult with the community, including landowners and other stakeholder groups, together with the Ward Councillor, to understand the community's concerns and develop a vision for future development in the study area; and

c. report back on the findings of the review and provide recommendations for changes, if necessary, to the planning framework for the study area.

**Summary**

A portion of Ossington Avenue, between Queen Street West and Dundas Street West, is facing increasing pressure for re-development with recent planning applications and pre-application consultations.

This stretch of Ossington Avenue currently has a diverse mix of commercial and residential uses in low-rise buildings. The surrounding established residential neighbourhood is comprised mainly of narrow two and three-storey houses, including detached, semi-detached, and townhouses.

Since Ossington Avenue is not a designated Avenue in the Official Plan, and the current height and density permissions are less than what is being proposed on the street by the various
applications, a planning study with public consultation is being requested. This will help determine appropriate built-form, height and heritage value in order to provide an updated planning framework, if necessary, for the street.

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**Background Information (City Council)**

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