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Re: Motion EY21.49

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

The Ward 6 Community Action Team (Ward 6 CAT) consists of a group of residents and advisors, 360 members strong, from the Mimico and Ward 6 area. We are a group that helps build our community and helps them voice their thoughts and views. Currently we are working to help support one of our great neighbourhoods here in Ward 6, the old Town of Mimico. We want to see our local businesses flourish our tenants and residents supported with great services and housing that continues the tradition of affordable living in a wonderful community.

Over the course of the past few years the City and Councillor Grimes have been working towards creating a Revitalization Plan for the neighbourhood called Mimico 20/20. Extensive resources including hundreds of hours of staff and community time and many community meetings held by the City and local community groups have gone into the creation of this revitalization plan.

Through this process, which is not yet complete, we have gathered thoughts and concerns from hundreds of our local community members. In brief **our membership strongly endorses the one to one rental replacement bylaw** within this community and that too much height and density in this area is a major concern. Rental housing within the City of Toronto is becoming increasingly scarce. Weakening the one to one rental replacement bylaw in Mimico would also set a precedent for the rest of Toronto. It would weaken the strength of this bylaw throughout the City.

The motion before you, EY21.49, brought forth by Councillor Grimes at the Etobicoke York Community Council disregards much progress made with the Revitalization Plan and a Secondary Plan for the area. This motion came forth at the end of the last EYCC meeting and the community has had no opportunity to voice their concerns regarding its contents. The Secondary Plan has been in the works for over a year and is the result of much work from the City and Community. It is important to us to continue to work on this Plan and to find solutions that will enrich our neighbourhood, not just meet the needs of local developers.

We cordially ask that you refer this motion back to the appropriate committee for review. Thank you for your time and please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or would like more information.

Sincerely,

The Steering Committee,
 Ward 6 Community Action Team