

West Don Lands Committee

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Association

Task Force to Bring Back the Don

December 2, 2013

Councillor Anthony Perruzza, Chair
and members of the Community Development and Recreation Committee

Councillors,

Re. Item CD25.12 – The 519 Sport and Recreation Project

At the West Don Lands Committee meeting held this evening, I was directed by the committee to forward this correspondence. With regard to the 519 Sport and Recreation Project, the West Don Lands Committee unanimously adopted the following resolution on December 2, 2013:

The West Don Lands Committee endorses in principle the initiative of the 519 Church Street Community Centre to develop an LGBTQ-focused recreation space through adaptive re-use of the Wheel and Foundry complex in the West Don Lands. We encourage the Community Development and Recreation Committee and City Council to accept the recommendations of the Staff Report on this matter and to direct appropriate staff to work with the proponents to move this project forward with Infrastructure Ontario, in consultation with members of the local and LGBTQ communities, consistent with the West Don Lands Precinct Plan.

The West Don Lands Committee is a coalition of resident, business and civil society organizations that have been working together for the past 14 years to promote positive redevelopment of the West Don Lands. For us, positive redevelopment means inclusive redevelopment, and inclusiveness entails intentional outreach to include people and communities who may be marginalized elsewhere.



John P. Wilson
on behalf of West Don Lands Committee

cc. Councillor Pam McConnell
Cindy Wilkey, Chair, West Don Lands Committee
Julie Beddoes, Acting Chair, West Don Lands Committee
Sylvia Pellman, Acting Secretary, West Don Lands Committee