



April 16, 2013

Frances Pritchard, Secretariat  
Planning and Growth Management Committee  
10th floor, West Tower, City Hall  
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Re: Addressing Mobility, Aligning Growth and Transit – Study the Relocation of the Mimico GO Train Station to the Vicinity of Park Lawn Road.

Dear Ms. Pritchard;

The Mimico Residents Association (MRA) represents the community of Mimico that extends from Park Lawn Road in the east to Dwight Avenue in the west, and from Evans Avenue in the north to Lake Ontario in the south.

Under no circumstances will the MRA support the re-location of the Mimico GO station. This is a vital part of our community with a majority of residents using the GO as access to the City. Many residents have moved to Mimico expressly because of this easy public rail transportation link. Etobicoke York Community Council recently recommended an area study of the lands surrounding Mimico Station to *"review existing land uses, urban design and gateway features, and examine the current differences in employment uses"* and there is potential for future employment and residential re-vitalization in this area. Removing the rail transportation will produce local community decay, not revitalization.

Metrolinx has completed the first stages of improvements by elongating platforms to accommodate the longer trains and completed final design drawings of the tunnel and elevator to provide platform accessibility. As well, currently there are two major projects underway in the direct vicinity: Mimico 'On the GO' Condominium Development as well as a townhouse development.

We ask the Planning and Growth Management Committee to seriously consider the future development of these locations residential and employment lands so as not to be in the same reactive and un-planned public transportation position that today exists in Humber Bay Shores.

The MRA would consider supporting a proposal for a supplementary GO stop at Park Lawn Road, or improved access to the east end of the Mimico Station from Humber Bay Shores. Improved transit accessibility and more frequent service could help alleviate the traffic congestion at Park Lawn and Lake Shore Blvd. W., as well as providing an incentive for all residents to take public transportation.

We remain committed to promoting the quality of residential and economic life in and around the Mimico area.

Sincerely,



Kyra Trainor, President  
Mimico Residents Association

Cc: Mark Grimes, Councillor Ward 6; Peter Milczyn, Chair PGMC