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**Chair & Members**

Planning and Growth Management Committee
10th Floor, West Tower, City Hall
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Re: PG 35.3 Eglinton Connects Planning Study - Phase 1 (Part 2) Implementation Report

Dear Chair and Committee Members,

I am writing to request that the Committee consider the accompanying recommendations affirming that the Eglinton Connects Planning Study does not allow expropriations or any new Neighbourhood Transition Areas.

This motion clarifies that any potential new laneways or laneway widenings would only occur through the normal course of redevelopment and would have to be contained on the developer's property, not on any adjacent properties. There are no mechanisms contained in the Eglinton Connects Plan that would allow for an expropriation to facilitate a new laneway. Any new laneways are for servicing and local access only. These functions are done through rear laneways so delivery trucks don't clog traffic on arterials like Eglinton and cars coming in and out of buildings don't run into pedestrians.

As well, there is only one Neighbourhood Transition Area, at Eglinton and Caledonia, being initiated by the City that would allow the conversion of a residential property to facilitate a development. No further such Areas are planned.

Recommendations:

1. Committee affirms that new laneways or laneway widenings would only occur through redevelopment and would have to be contained on the developer's property, not on any adjacent properties
2. Committee affirms that any new laneways are for servicing and local access only

3. Committee affirms that no new Neighbourhood Transition Areas, in addition to the one at Eglinton and Caledonia, are recommended as part of this, or any other, report

Sincerely,

Josh Matlow
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