



方卓怡 市議員 **Paula FLETCHER**
Councillor Toronto-Danforth Ward 30

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Chair and Members
Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

**Re: PW32.13
Gardiner East Contaminated Soil Monitoring and Review Committee: Final Outcomes**

Dear Chair and Members,

Prior to the discovery of contaminants, including lead, being found when the Gardiner was dismantled in 2001, soil contamination had already posed a serious environmental hazard in South Riverdale resulting in the removal and replacement of soil at hundreds of properties throughout the area.

I appreciate that after many years the information signage will be erected to inform of the public of the environmental concerns and the mitigating measures that have been taken to ensure no risk is posed.

The Gardiner East Contaminated Soil Monitoring Committee has always played an important role by ensuring the soil is monitored on an annual basis and that the public has access to the annual inspections and this should be continued.

I am asking the Committee to support the following motions:

1. Maintain ongoing monitoring of Areas A and B as directed by City Council in 2002;
2. Inspection reports from the monitoring are publicly available at the Jones or other local branch of the Toronto Public Library and on the City's website;
3. The Gardiner Soil Monitoring Sub-Committee continues to function in its role to ensure that the contaminated soils exposed by the removal of the Gardiner are managed and monitored in a safe and transparent way.

Sincerely,

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