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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

To be held by the Planning and Growth Management Committee (Under the <u>Planning Act</u>)

City-Initiated Proposal to Amend the Official Plan Application No.: 15 124713 SPS 00 OZ Official Plan Amendment 289

Location of Application: Yonge-Eglinton Secondary Plan area

DATE:	May 14, 2015
TIME:	10:00 a.m., or as soon as possible thereafter
PLACE:	City Hall, Committee Room 1, 2 nd Floor
	100 Queen Street West, Toronto

PROPOSAL

This City-initiated proposal to amend the Yonge-Eglinton Secondary Plan is intended to implement the vision and objectives of the Midtown in Focus Parks, Open Space and Streetscape Plan for the Yonge-Eglinton area (Midtown in Focus Plan), adopted by City Council in August 2014.

The Midtown in Focus study was undertaken to ensure that as growth proceeds, the network of parks, open space and streets within the area is improved to both address existing deficiencies and to ensure that improvements are implemented in tandem with future growth.

At its August 2014 meeting, Toronto City Council requested that the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, prepare draft amendments to the Yonge-Eglinton Secondary Plan to implement the Midtown in Focus Plan and its objectives.

The Yonge-Eglinton Secondary Plan generally applies to lands bounded by Blythwood Road in the north, Chaplin Crescent in the west, Mount Pleasant Cemetery to the south and Bayview Avenue in the east. The Midtown Character Area generally includes lands between Eglinton Park to the west, Northern District Secondary School to the east, Keewatin Avenue to the north and the Church of the Transfiguration to the south.

The Midtown in Focus Plan identified a number of goals, strategies and initiatives to achieve these objectives. The Plan also outlined five



Place-Making Moves that, together with other streetscape improvements and the enhancement and expansion of parkland in the area, will form a thriving system of parks, open spaces and streets. The five Place-Making Moves include:

- 1. Eglinton Greenline a wide, landscaped, publicly-accessible private open space on the north side of Eglinton Avenue.
- 2. Yonge Street and its Squares a sequence of urban squares located at key intersections along Yonge Street.
- 3. Park Street Loop a 3 km long multi-use promenade connecting Eglinton Park to adjacent neighbourhoods.
- 4. Midtown Greenways local streets that enhance the generous landscaping prevalent within the area.
- 5. Redpath Revisited parkland expansion priorities and improvement of a portion of Redpath Avenue between Eglinton Avenue and Roehampton Avenue.

The proposed amendments to the Yonge-Eglinton Secondary Plan address the following:

- enhanced public realm policies for the Yonge-Eglinton Secondary Plan area and policy direction that clarifies the role of private development in supporting the public realm objectives;
- new policies that specifically address the Midtown Character Area and the Midtown in Focus Plan's Five Place-Making Moves;
- enhanced parkland acquisition strategies; and
- policies that outline priorities for the use of Section 37 of the *Planning Act*.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Detailed information regarding the proposal, including background information and material and summaries of the proposed Official Plan Amendment, is available at www.toronto.ca/planning/midtowninfocus. Further information may be obtained by contacting Paul Farish, Senior Planner at 416-392-3589, or by e-mail at pfarish@toronto.ca.

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC MEETING

You are invited to attend the public meeting to make your views known regarding the proposal. To assist in scheduling, if you wish to address the Planning and Growth Management Committee, please notify the City Clerk, attention: Nancy Martins, Administrator, Planning and Growth Management Committee, at 416-397-4579, or by email at pgmc@toronto.ca by 12:00 noon on May 13, 2015.

If you wish to submit written comments, please forward them to the City Clerk, attention: Nancy Martins, Administrator, Planning and Growth Management Committee, 100 Queen Street West, 10th Floor, West Tower, Toronto ON M5H 2N2 or by Fax: 416-392-1879 or by e-mail to pgmc@toronto.ca.

Planning and Growth Management Committee will review the proposal and any other material placed before it, in order to make recommendations on the City-initiated amendments. These recommendations will then be forwarded to Toronto City Council for its consideration.

FURTHER INFORMATION

If you wish to be notified of the adoption or refusal of the proposed Official Plan Amendment, you must make a written request to the City Clerk, attention: Nancy Martins, Administrator, Planning and Growth Management Committee, at the address set out in this notice or by Fax: 416-392-1879.

Official Plan Amendments Appeal: If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the City Clerk, attention: Nancy Martins, Administrator, Planning and Growth Management Committee, at the address set out in this notice or by Fax: 416-392-1879 before

the proposed Official Plan Amendment is adopted or refused, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision to the Ontario Municipal Board and may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

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Dated at the City of Toronto this 23rd day of April, 2015.

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