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 To:
 Mayor Tory

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 Councillor Perks; Clerk

Subject: Support for Transform TO Short Term Strategies

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Dear Mayor Tory,

I am writing to express my support for the Short Term Strategies Business Case that is being debated at Council today.

I wish to congratulate the councillors on the Parks and Environment Committee and City staff for an amazingly fast and thorough response to the recommendations that I and others made in our deputations to the committee and subcommittee. With this report, we have the potential for immediate traction on Transform TO in 2017, and the ability to engage the Toronto public further in ways to link climate action with lower bills, healthier communities, and a better future for Toronto.

I particularly want to support the recommendation on Page 4 of Attachment A, "Dedicate funding for community-based climate action". This is precisely the kind of support we need for the tremendous work being done by the Ward-based Green Neighbours groups, and other non-profit groups around the city. Bravo!

Sincerely

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The recommended actions are in the following reports:

Background Information (City Council) (December 12, 2016) Supplementary report from the Chief Corporate Officer on TransformTO Short-term Strategies Business Case (PE15.1b) (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2016/cc/bgrd/backgroundfile-99126.pdf)
Attachment A: TransformTO Short-Term Strategies Business Cases (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2016/cc/bgrd/backgroundfile-99127.pdf)