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# **Parks and Environment Committee**

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# Presentation from Toronto Youth Environmental Council - Toronto's Climate Report Card

#### **Committee Decision**

The Parks and Environment Committee:

1. Forwarded the item to the Parks and Environment Subcommittee on Climate Change, Mitigation and Adaptation, for consideration of a zero emissions climate action plan and youth involvement in the Transform TO project.

#### **Decision Advice and Other Information**

The following gave a presentation to the Parks and Environment Committee on Toronto on Toronto's Climate Report Card:

- Alice Cheng, President, Toronto Youth Environmental Council;
- Ajantha Nadesalingam, Program Director, Toronto Youth Environmental Council; and
- Julia Zhang, Secretary, Toronto Youth Environmental Council.

#### Origin

(August 24, 2016) Letter from Councillor Michelle Holland, Ward 35, Scarborough Southwest

## Summary

The Toronto Youth Environmental Council, run by high school students along with a couple of advisors in university, works to engage youth across Toronto in various events and initiatives to raise awareness for environmental issues and climate change. They also work to ensure the voice of the youth is heard and considered in decision making by all levels of government. Together with American-based youth organization IMatter, the Toronto Youth Environmental Council has created the attached report card grading Toronto on climate action.

Councillor Holland requests that the Parks and Environment Committee hear a presentation from the Toronto Youth Environmental Council at its meeting on September 9, 2016. The presentation will provide an overview of the report card and some recommended actions.

### **Background Information**

(August 24, 2016) Letter from Councillor Michelle Holland on Presentation from Toronto

Youth Environmental Council - Toronto's Climate Report Card (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2016/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-95841.pdf)
Attachment 1 - Submission from the Toronto Youth Environmental Council on Toronto's Climate Report Card (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2016/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-95842.pdf)