

November 21, 2017

VIA EMAIL:
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His Worship Mayor John Tory and Members of the
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Attn: Josephine Archbold

Your Worship and Members of the Executive Committee of Toronto City Council:

RE: Executive Committee of Toronto City Council Meeting November 28, 2017
RE: Agenda Item 29.2 (10:00 AM) Rail Deck Park - Results of Feasibility Analysis and Next Steps for Implementation (Ward All)

I am writing to you on behalf of Toronto Terminals Railway and Canadian National Railway the owners of the majority of the property that would be affected by the proposed Rail Deck Park.

Toronto Terminals Railway Company Ltd. (TTR) is responsible for the safe and efficient movement of trains throughout the Union Station Rail Corridor (USRC). As owners of most of the air rights and property strata above the USRC, TTR and Canadian National Railway (CN) have reviewed the report referenced above concerning the feasibility of proposed Rail Deck Park, over the USRC between Bathurst Street and Blue Jays Way.

TTR and CN have a history of collaborating with the City in advancing important public infrastructure and transportation initiatives that have required acquisition of USRC TTR & CN air rights. Over a more than 25-year period TTR & CN have facilitated projects in USRC property strata including the SkyBridge. The SkyDome retractable roof over the USRC, Puente de Luz Bridge and most recently the Fort York Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge.

TTR and CN believe that the objective of creating publicly accessible outdoor space and parkland in Toronto's Downtown can be better and more cost-efficiently achieved, in a cooperative redevelopment process that provides for significant publicly owned and controlled open space in the context of the urban development in the USRC property strata.

We would request written notice of any future public meetings where this matter will be considered by Council or its Committees.

We have written previously to the Toronto East York Community Council concerning the related and proposed Rail Deck Park Official Plan Amendment and a copy of that letter dated November 10, 2017 is attached for your information.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this correspondence in writing.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Huggins". The signature is stylized and somewhat cursive.

George Huggins

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