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Dear Chair and members of the Community Development and Recreation Committee,

Re: Exploring sites in the Liberty Village, Fort York, and Niagara Neighbourhoods for potential community uses

At present, our downtown Toronto neighbourhoods are home to an estimated 240,000 residents and that number is expected to double over the next 25 years.

The Liberty Village, Fort York, and Niagara Neighbourhoods are growing quickly and more residents and families are choosing to stay and raise their children downtown. Unfortunately, City services have not kept up with the growing demand.

As a City, we need to ensure that services are in place and are reflective of the communities they intend to serve. It is our responsibility to locate appropriate spaces to build the services our downtown communities need – like schools, childcare facilities, community centres, and parks.

Therefore, I respectfully recommend that:

Community Development and Recreation Committee request the Director, Real Estate Services, in consultation with CreateTO and City Planning, engage the Toronto District School Board to examine potential sites in the Liberty Village, Fort York, and Niagara Neighbourhoods, bounded by Dufferin to the west, King to the north, Bathurst to the east and Lakeshore to the south, for potential community uses and report back in the first quarter of 2019.

In community,

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