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Deer Park Residents Group

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Re: LS 24.1 Noise Bylaw Review - update

Dear Councillor Cesar Palacio, Chair and Members of the Licensing and Standards Committee,

The Deer Park Residents Group represents the Yonge St. Clair area of the City. Our Group is a member of FoNTRA, which has been a member of the Noise Working Group. We share its concern about lack of progress in the development of a new Noise Bylaw that meets the needs of our City today. We are pleased to see that further work will be done, with report made on the results of this work in late 2019.

Unlike some communities in our City, we are not inundated with construction noise and noise from amplified sound but believe that all living in the City should be so negatively affected. We do have issues from excessive leafblower noise.

We support the positions taken by FoNTRA and the Toronto Noise Coalition to improve our noise bylaw including that the primary objective of the by-law must be the protection of Toronto residents from excessive noise, that the review process must incorporate a review of best practices across jurisdictions such as the New York City, that an effective enforcement program must be developed and funded, and that all concerns raised by the Coalition be addressed, including new restrictions on leaf blowers.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments,

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President,
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CC Councillor Josh Matlow