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Vice President  
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Ulli S. Watkiss, City Clerk  
City of Toronto  
10th floor, West Tower, City Hall  
100 Queen Street West  
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Dear Members of City Council,

Re: **Item MM43.19 – Authorization to Release Section 37 Funds from various developments to fund the Yonge TOMorrow project**

On behalf of Ryerson University I would like to indicate our support for the Yonge TOMorrow project and Councillor Wong-Tam's motion to authorize the release of Section 37 Funds to fund the Yonge TOMorrow Project. This motion serves as a critical step towards securing the first part of a project that will be impactful to the Ryerson campus and its surrounding area.

Ryerson University enjoys a unique location in Canada as an urban-campus university that is seamlessly interwoven with our neighbourhood in the heart of Canada's largest City. The volume of students and visitors to our campus speaks to the importance of public space for the Ryerson community and the city that surrounds us. Ryerson students and faculty live, work and study in the downtown area and beyond. They walk and travel across the length of Yonge Street and at various intersections every day of the year. Yonge Street between Gerrard and Queen serves as a major artery for Ryerson's 40,000+ students and the campus surrounds the Yonge-Dundas Square which is one of the busiest pedestrian intersections in Toronto. The overall quality and design of Yonge Street through this motion and ultimately the Yonge TOMorrow project will create streets and open spaces that are engaging, vibrant, safe and accessible to all at Ryerson students and faculty downtown from the Waterfront to Davenport Road.

Ryerson is focused on supporting the City's actions in carrying out an investigation on existing conditions on Yonge. Ryerson also looks forward to working with the City in developing a vision for the corridor that addresses the need to accommodate future growth in the area as the Ryerson community grows.

I would like to once again state Ryerson's firm support for the Yonge TOMorrow project and this motion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "DBrown".

Deborah Brown  
Vice President, Administration and Operations