

North York Community Council

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Cc: Willie Macrae; Fripp, Carol Burtin; John Andreevski; Sarah Ovens
Subject: NY32.20 Laird in Focus - Proposals Report
Attachments: LPOA Laird in focus proposals report NYCC June 2018.pdf

Dear Ms Adamo

Please find attached letter regarding the above report on July 4th NYCC agenda

regards

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RE: NY32.20 Laird in Focus Planning Study - Proposals Report

Dear Chair Maria Augimeri, and Members, North York Community Council

This is to advise of our continuing support for the Laird in Focus Planning Study. However, due to late availability of the Consultant Team's Final Report (Appendix 4), we are unfortunately unable to respond regarding the Report's detailed Proposal recommendations at this time.

We are in general support of **Recommendation 2:**

Request the City Planning Division to undertake further stakeholder engagement and public consultation on the policy directions outlined in this report, and in Appendix 4 to inform the development of a Site and Area Specific Policy (SASP) for the Laird in Focus Planning Study area.

We have previously commented on each Phase of the Study and all three aspects of the Study; the Eglinton/ Vanderhoof/Laird/Aerodrome block (Area A) and Laird Drive west (Area B) and the Laird Business Park transportation study.

Our earlier comments have noted the following issues and we will be considering whether and how the report has addressed these and other issues.

1. The mid-rise/tall building scenarios (Areas A and B)
2. The density scenarios in relation to the MTSA and how appropriate (Area A)
3. Vision for Area A as "civic node" and landmark
4. Impacts of development (traffic congestion, school space, public infrastructure ie hydro, water, sewage and storm water facilities) and on community services (libraries, parks, recreational facilities, etc.), (Areas A and B)
5. Whether the Study allocates specific heights to buildings and locations (the approach taken in Midtown In Focus which has been generally well received.

6. Addresses the planning needs of the Leaside Business Park through (1) an economic development study, and (2) extending the Transportation Study to include the eastern part of the Business Park from the CP Rail tracks to Overlea Boulevard and the Don Valley.

Respectfully submitted,

Yours truly,

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