

June 28th, 2018

Ellen Devlin, Clerk Toronto East York Community Council City Hall, 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

To: Toronto and East York Community Council

Subject: Grange Green Plan

Dear Chair and Members,

As development in the downtown core continues, we must ensure that we are creating liveable neighbourhoods – finding opportunities to enhance and create green spaces is an important part of that liveability.

Over the last two years, I have been working with the Grange Community Association (GCA) to develop the Grange Green Plan – which aims to enhance existing green spaces in the neighbourhood and identify ways that we can create new ones.

In light of the ongoing success of the Harbord Village Green Plan, which was adopted by Toronto and East York Community Council in 2016 and is currently entering Phase 2 of implementation, this plan sets out a similar vision for using flankage spaces, existing parks, and innovative ideas to focus on sustainability and greening as we continue to improve our community. Later this month, I will also be bringing this plan to the wider Grange community, to discuss the principles and proposals, and to finalize our vision for greening in the neighbourhood.

Through a similar model to the Harbord Village Green Plan, I am requesting that Transportation Services and Parks, Forestry & Recreation work in consultation with my office and the Grange Community Association to implement the Grange Green Plan.

Recommendation:

1. Request the General Manager, Transportation Services, and the General Manager, Parks, Forestry & Recreation to work with the Grange Community Association, community partners, and the Ward Councillor to prepare a plan to implement, in principle, the Grange Green Plan and related improvements to public green space and amenities within the Grange neighbourhood, in a manner that reinforces the sense of place, addresses environmental and climate concerns, and green space deficiency in the neighbourhood, and would contribute to creating a model for greening neighbourhoods throughout the city.



Sincerely,

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