



方卓怡 市議員 **Paula FLETCHER**

Councillor Toronto-Danforth

Ward 14

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Hartley Lefton, Chair
Toronto Parking Authority
via email: tpaboard@toronto.ca

**Re: PA10.4 Transaction/Parking Development at Municipal Car Park 282,
838 Broadview Avenue**

Dear Chair and Members of the TPA Board,

I am writing in support of the property transaction proposed for 838 Broadview Avenue.

As part of this transaction the City will acquire portions of the underground parking garage containing approximately 33 spaces and approximately 16 affordable housing units from the developer. The parking garage will be operated by TPA as a municipal parking facility. The affordable housing units will be owned by the City and leased to a non-profit operator.

There are many co-ops and other great non-profit housing developers who have led on the building of affordable housing in Toronto's east end. However, with land prices and development pressures, the sites which have been available and affordable in the past have pretty well dried up.

Collaborative approaches like this one when combined with the City's Open Door Program are commendable and can support achieving the development of much needed new affordable housing in the city. Everyone wins - the TPA, the City and the many people struggling to find affordable homes.

I applaud the innovative nature of this deal and sincerely hope you will give it your full support.

Sincerely,

Paula Fletcher
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