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Subject: Re: Item NY 19.1 Final Draft report St. Dennis Drive
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Good morning,

I request that the following email below is filed under NY19.1 Official Communications, with a public link available for those who wish to read the email. Thank you.

Dear Counselors of City of Toronto and Mayor John Tory,

Yesterday in under five minutes you voted to pass item NY19.1 Final Report St. Dennis Drive despite the following reasons in which you were all aware:

1.
The Final Draft Report contains **errors** calculating the parkland dedication in one of the neighbourhoods that suffers from the least equitable greenspace distribution in the city. **This breaches [Section 42 of the Planning Act](#).**
2.
Money (from the applicant) was given to fund distribution of community consultations notices **in 2016**. We have **LEGAL ATTESTATIONS FROM 85+ HOUSEHOLDS** that such notices were never delivered. **This breaches the regulations of the [Community Consultation Meeting from the City of Toronto](#). Where did the money go?**
3.
We have a **formal petition from 1266 PEOPLE** (with the majority representing their households - minimum 5000 people) requesting for proper community consultation to be held. It is an insult to refer to this petition as "*some people*".

Taking Counselor's Minnan-Wong's words said less than an hour before passing this item while debating another item:

"You have to talk to all of them, and tell them what the impacts are. And not only do you have to tell them, you have to listen to them! If they say they're not in favour, you have to listen to them!

And **far too often we don't do enough listening**, and we don't demonstrate that we take what they say and put their word to action. And if they say that we don't support it and we don't want to do it we shouldn't do it. That's meaningful consultation.

And I hope that we have that level of meaningful consultation in this process.”

All of these intentions to meaningfully consult with the community seemed to disappear when it comes to reviewing the application put forward by the Preston Group.

Sincerely,

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