



July 17, 2020

Scarborough Civic
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Attn: Carlie Turpin, Secretariat

Dear Members of Scarborough Community Council:

**Re: Item SC16.3
Golden Mile Secondary Plan - Final Report
City of Toronto Ward 21
TCDSB Trustee Ward 7**

The Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) has reviewed the final report and draft Official Plan Amendment for the Golden Mile Secondary Plan including policies set out in Attachment 5 - Draft Official Plan Amendment 499, scheduled for consideration by Scarborough Community Council on July 17, 2020.

The TCDSB is supportive of the City's efforts in developing a long-term planning framework that establishes a vision including complete communities for the Golden Mile Secondary Plan Area. The TCDSB has been involved in Golden Mile Secondary Plan consultations since the commencement of community services and facilities (CS&F) planning in 2018. A **school site is required** to accommodate students generated from residential intensification anticipated in the Golden Mile Secondary Plan.

The TCDSB is appreciative of the ongoing dialogue and feedback from the City throughout the process of the Golden Mile Secondary Plan including the City's work to address some of the concerns identified in our February 24, 2020 draft policies letter to City staff. This includes changes to include schools in areas in policies 3.2.2 & 3.2.3. The TCDSB is supportive of policies in section 10 for Community Services and Facilities, which includes the addition of new public schools in the Plan Area.

The TCDSB has concern that the term "community service facilities" within section 4.16 and 4.17 is too vague and does not specifically mention schools within this policy. The TCDSB requests that "schools" be included within these policies to help incentivize developers to work with the TCDSB to include school space within their proposals as a density incentive. This would ultimately contribute in the TCDSB being able to secure the appropriate school space within the secondary plan to contribute to a complete community.



The TCDSB continues to have meetings with landowners in the Golden Mile area in an effort to secure a school site on one of the sites identified within the Secondary Plan. To assist in these discussions it is critical that the draft Golden Mile Secondary Plan policies speak to open space surrounding schools, namely within policy 6.23, where development adjacent to parks and open spaces is concerned, there is no mention of how community facilities such as schools would interface between parks and open spaces. The addition of “community facilities” or “schools” to policy 6.23 would serve as an incentive to landowners the TCDSB enters into discussions with that would assure all parties that the relationship between the residential building and school would have transition and interface appropriately with the City owned park.

As mentioned in previous comments the TCDSB is eligible to levy education development charges in the Golden Mile Secondary Plan Area toward the acquisition of land for an elementary school based on existing service levels and need.

The TCDSB will continue to assert its interests through the submission of comments in response to circulated development applications in the Golden Mile Area and remains interested in liaising with planning staff and the development community through the pre-application consultation stage of the development approvals process to assist in securing school space within this Secondary Plan.

Thank you again for this opportunity to provide feedback on the final stages of the Golden Mile Secondary Plan process.

Should you require additional information regarding our comments, please contact Tomasz Oltarzewski, Supervisor of Planning at tomasz.oltarzewski@tcdsb.org

Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Loberto".

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