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City Councillor | Ward 14 Toronto-Danforth

Councillor Gord Perks
Chair, Toronto and East York Community Council
City Hall
100 Queen St. W

Ensuring Transparency for Metrolinx Tree Removals in Ward 14

Dear Chair and Members of the Toronto and East York Community Council,

Recently community members were told that Metrolinx has applied to remove trees somewhere around the Rail Corridor. However, Metrolinx could not say which trees would be impacted. This has caused concern in the community as they are worried that trees could come down without any warning in City Parks, Ravines, and on City Right of Way's. With the construction of the Ontario Line and GO Expansion highly likely to impact trees on City land, which include some of the best loved trees in Toronto – Danforth I am hoping that you support my motion to ensure that the community is properly consulted.

Recommendations:

Toronto and East York Community Council,

1. Request the Director of Urban Forestry to report to Toronto and East York Community Council on any tree removal applications by Metrolinx in Ward 14, before any approvals are granted.

Sincerely,

Paula Fletcher
City Councillor
Ward 14, Toronto-Danforth